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Public
Schools

International

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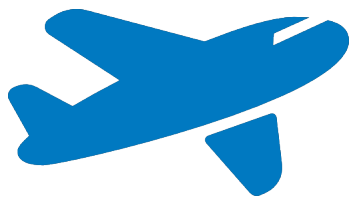
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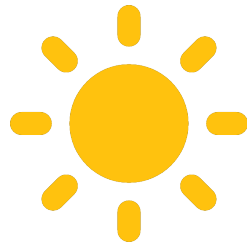
Welcome to **CANADA!**



Canada is the second largest country in the world by area and has a population of 35 million. It is a land of newcomers, with many different ethnic groups contributing to its cultural mosaic. It is welcoming, friendly, and safe, and is consistently ranked by the United Nations as one of the world's top five countries in which to live.



**MULTIPLE
FLIGHTS
DAILY FROM
TORONTO**



**2121 HOURS/305
DAYS OF SUNSHINE
PER YEAR**



HOMETOWN FACTS

- 123,200 POPULATION
- 6TH MOST CULTURALLY DIVERSE CITY
- 2 SKI HILLS AND CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING TRAILS
- SLEEPING GIANT NATURAL LANDMARK VOTED A TOP 10 MUST SEE IN CANADA

THUNDER BAY

On the shores Lake Superior and nestled within the boreal forest and Canadian Shield, Thunder Bay is where upscale city life meets epic outdoor adventures.

Regarded as the Gateway to Northwestern Ontario, here you can explore the nearly 150,000 lakes and rivers, climb to one of the highest points in the province, and sail on the world's largest freshwater lake.

People come from all over the world to indulge in Thunder Bay's beautiful landscapes, cultural culinary delights, and superior educational and professional opportunities.

WINTER

December - February
Avg. Daily Temp. -7°C
Avg. Precipitation 32mm per month

SPRING

March - May
Avg. Daily Temp. 8°C
Avg. Precipitation 52mm per month

SUMMER

June - August
Avg. Daily Temp. 22°C
Avg. Precipitation 84mm per month

AUTUMN

September - November
Avg. Daily Temp. 10°C
Avg. Precipitation 66mm per month





Lakehead Public Schools **INTERNATIONAL**

Lakehead Public Schools is the largest public school board in Northwestern Ontario. Lakehead Public Schools educates, encourages, and supports students to develop a passion for learning, to set high personal standards, and to become active community and global citizens. Every student is provided with equal opportunities to learn in safe schools with innovative programming and quality educators.

Our Mission

To share the excellence of Lakehead Public Schools with the world, and to help create global connections and expanded career pathways for all students.

Our Promise

We provide our international students with high quality, English education, based on Ontario Curriculum, in a globally connected, authentic Canadian small-city setting.



25
ELEMENTARY
SCHOOLS

3
SECONDARY
SCHOOLS

1
OUTDOOR
EDUCATION
CENTRE



9,100
TOTAL
STUDENTS



45+
INTERNATIONAL
STUDENTS



International **BACCALAUREATE**

Scoring well above the world average annually, our schools offer the only I.B program in Northwestern Ontario. **The I.B program consists of:**

- Two years of pre-IB programming for Grades 9 and 10
- Diploma programme for Grades 11 and 12
- Six academic areas; Language & Literature, Language Acquisition, Individuals and Societies, Mathematics, The Arts, and Sciences
- Higher Level (HL) courses consisting of 240 teaching hours and Standard Level (SL) courses consisting of 150 teaching hours.

Post-Secondary Pathway Programs With:



**\$1000 Scholarship for
graduating international
students**



**\$1000 SCHOLARSHIP FOR
GRADUATING INTERNATIONAL
STUDENTS**





HAMMARSKJOLD HIGH SCHOOL

School Motto
Facta Non Verba
"Deeds not Words"

School Team
Vikings

School Colours
Red and Gold

Student Population
850 Students
Grade 9-12

Special Programs
Specialist High Skills Major: Construction
Specialist High Skills Major: Justice, Community Safety, and Emergency Services
Youth Fusion Video Game Partnership
Hairstyling and Aesthetics
French Immersion
Advanced Placement (AP Courses)
New - Academy - Hockey Grades 9 - 10

Hammariskjold High School is located centrally in Thunder Bay, students can easily explore nearby downtown for the vibrant local food scene, coffee shops and new shopping districts. A quick drive away students can hike, swim, cross country ski, or just relax at the beautiful Cascades Conservation Area.

Academics: Hammariskjold has a variety of course offerings and full immersion experiences in both English or French. Whether your destination is College, University, apprenticeships, or work, you will earn real-life hands-on experience with us. Our breadth of programming allows us to offer programs that meet those interests of all students. Our students are consistently recognized for their academic success, locally, provincially, and nationally.

Leadership: Students engage in many leadership development activities through out the year including programming at Kingfisher Lake Outdoor Education Centre. Deep in the Boreal forest students learn survival skills and about the ecosystem in the area.



WESTGATE COLLEGIATE & VOCATIONAL INSTITUTE

School Motto
Semper Solum Optimum
"Always Only the Best"

School Team
Tigers

School Colours
Orange and Black

Student Population
1050 Students
Grades 9-12

Special Programs
Specialist High Skills Major: Aviation & Aerospace
Specialist High Skills Major: Business
Specialist High Skills Major: Hospitality & Tourism
Specialist High Skills Major: Arts & Culture
Specialist High Skills Major: Transportation
Advanced Placement (AP) Courses
New - Academy - Hockey Grades 9 - 10

Westgate CVI is located in the South side of Thunder Bay, with stunning views of Mount McKay; hike to the top for views of the entire city! Nearby, students can also enjoy walks along the Kaministiquia River or try their hand at some shore fishing.

Academics

We offer innovative programs to suit a wide variety of students drawn from both city and rural areas. Students can enrich their studies with Advanced Placement courses. Our exemplary athletics, arts, and student council activities all add to the strength of our programming. Our facilities include a dance/drama studio, a full stage, 4 multimedia computer labs, auto, construction, manufacturing and welding shops, a design technology centre, and extensive athletic facilities.

Creativity

Our artists continue to explore their creative aspirations in all artistic areas. We welcome the community each year to witness dynamic dramatics performances, musical concerts, and other events.

SUPERIOR COLLEGIATE & VOCATIONAL INSTITUTE

School Motto
"We Are Superior"

School Team
Gryphons

School Colours
Blue, White, & Black

Student Population
700 Students
Grade 9-12

Special Programs

International Baccalaureate (IB) World School
Specialist High Skills Major: Health and Wellness
Specialist High Skills Major: Manufacturing | Welding
Specialist High Skills Major: Aviation & Aerospace
Specialist High Skills Major: Environmental Sciences
New - Academy - Volleyball Grades 9 - 10



Superior CVI is located in the North side of Thunder Bay, minutes from Boulevard Lake; 650 acres of parkland, recreational trails, and beaches. If that's not enough, nearby you can find Hillcrest Park with magnificent views of one of Canada's wonders of the world, the Sleeping Giant on Lake Superior.

Excellence Superior challenges their students to exceed expectations and hold themselves to a high standard of excellence. We produce Science Olympics teams, Manufacturing Technology partnerships and award winning students, Science Fair and Aboriginal Mentorship Science Fair award winning projects, artists and entrepreneurs for every education and career pathway.

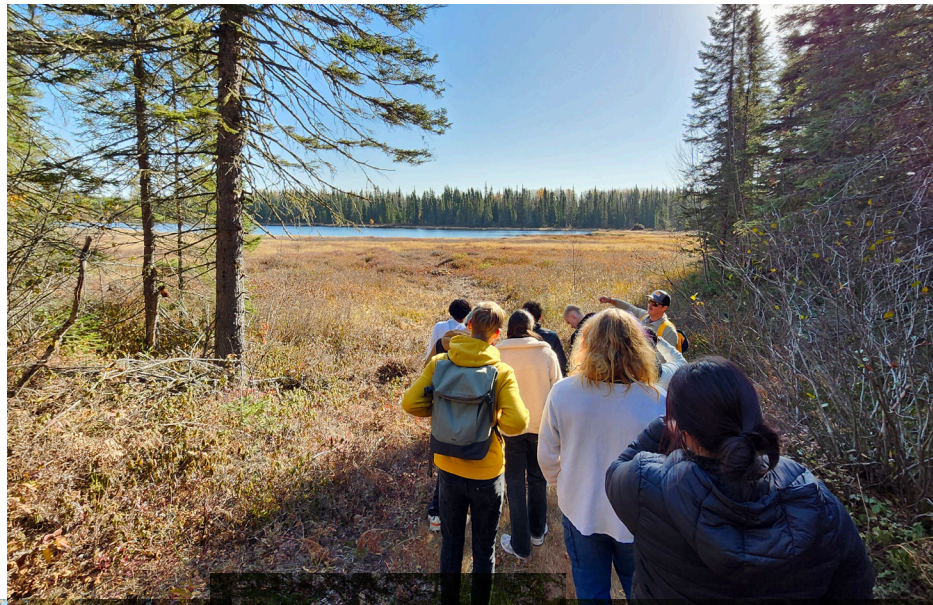
Innovation Superior is home to a state-of-the-art communication technology and broadcast studio which is comparable to some college and university facilities. Students broaden their experiences in the SCVI Makerspace Lab where 3D modelling comes alive!

KINGFISHER LAKE OUTDOOR EDUCATION CENTRE

Located 25 minutes North East of Thunder Bay, Kingfisher Lake is an experiential and outdoor learning centre in the heart of the Boreal Forest. The programming at Kingfisher Lake is designed to integrate and complement the Ontario Curriculum. Kingfisher Lake is approximately two kilometers long by 500m wide, with a number of islands and bays. The gently sloping shoreline provides an excellent place for our students to participate in pond studies and canoeing activities.

Activities offered by the centre include:

- GPS and Orienteering
- Ecology
- Biology
- Aquatic Ecology
- Canoeing
- Cross-Country Skiing
- Snow-shoeing
- Hiking
- Overnight Camping Trips





HOMESTAY PROMISE

A homestay placement is an essential component of your experience in Canada, and we are committed to ensuring you feel supported throughout your stay. Our homestay providers will match you with a welcoming and reliable host family who will guide you, help you adjust, and contribute to your personal growth while living in Thunder Bay.

What's Included:

- Private bedroom with a comfortable bed
- Bathroom facilities
- Three full meals per day plus snacks
- Internet Access
- Custodianship
- Airport Pickup
- Planned activities

Medical Insurance



International students are not covered by the Ontario government Health Plan (OHIP). LPSI has partnered with StudyInsured to provide all students with medical insurance. The medical insurance plan offers a wide and robust range of benefits and services, to cover international students for their entire period of study.





International Study **FEES & APPLICATIONS**

International Student Services

LPSI strives to provide a fun and memorable experience for every student and ensures a strong support base in all areas including:

- Academic, Personal, & Career
- Counselling
- Orientation
- Unique Cultural & Social Experiences
- One-on-one ESL Support & Tutoring
- Accommodation
- Mental Health Supports
- International Student Luncheons

LPSI understands that international education is an investment that requires extensive preparation. Lakehead Public Schools offers full year, 1 semester and short-term cultural experiences for high school students. When you are ready to apply, scan the QR Code or visit your preferred Educational Agency. Educational agents are recommended as they can assist you with the entire process.

Lakehead Public Schools does not accept paper applications. All applications are processed online via our secure portal.

For more information on fees please reach out directly to:
international.lakeheadschoools.ca



Scan the QR code to apply!





Extra-Curricular **SPORTS & ACTIVITIES**

Students at Lakehead Public Schools have the opportunity to take part in several Extra-Curricular Sports and Activities - there is truly something for everyone!

- Basketball
- Soccer
- Cross Country Running
- Track and Field
- Nordic Skiing
- Football
- Volleyball
- Wrestling
- Tennis
- Badminton
- Cycling
- Golf
- Curling
- Cheerleading
- Concert Band
- Orchestra
- Guitar
- Drama
- Musical Theatre
- Visual Art
- Dance
- Trade Partnerships
- Robotics Club
- GSA Club
- Natural Helpers Club
- Yearbook Design
- Chess Club
- Outdoors Club
- And many more!





Things to do in **THUNDER BAY**

Minutes from wilderness and recreation, those who live here or visit enjoy skiing, boarding, hockey and ice fishing in the winter; sailing, hiking and climbing in the summer; and hunting in the fall. Most importantly, have time here to soak it all in and enjoy their surroundings. People come here from all over the world. They arrive for the adventure and opportunity, they stay because of the lifestyle, the friends they've made and the fresh, raw beauty of the natural environment. Thunder Bay has a history of welcoming newcomers and en-folding them into our community. The city is modern, dynamic and forward-thinking that puts an emphasis on being the best it can be through ongoing investments in infrastructure, culture and the economy. With a beautiful waterfront, modern downtown and vibrant restaurants and bars, Thunder Bay has become a destination for people from all walks of life



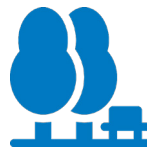
200+
Restaurants



50+ Major
Annual Events



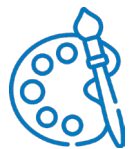
7 Shopping Districts



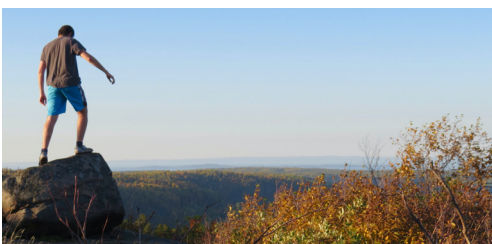
124 City
Parks



75 KM of
Recreational Trails



10 Art Galleries





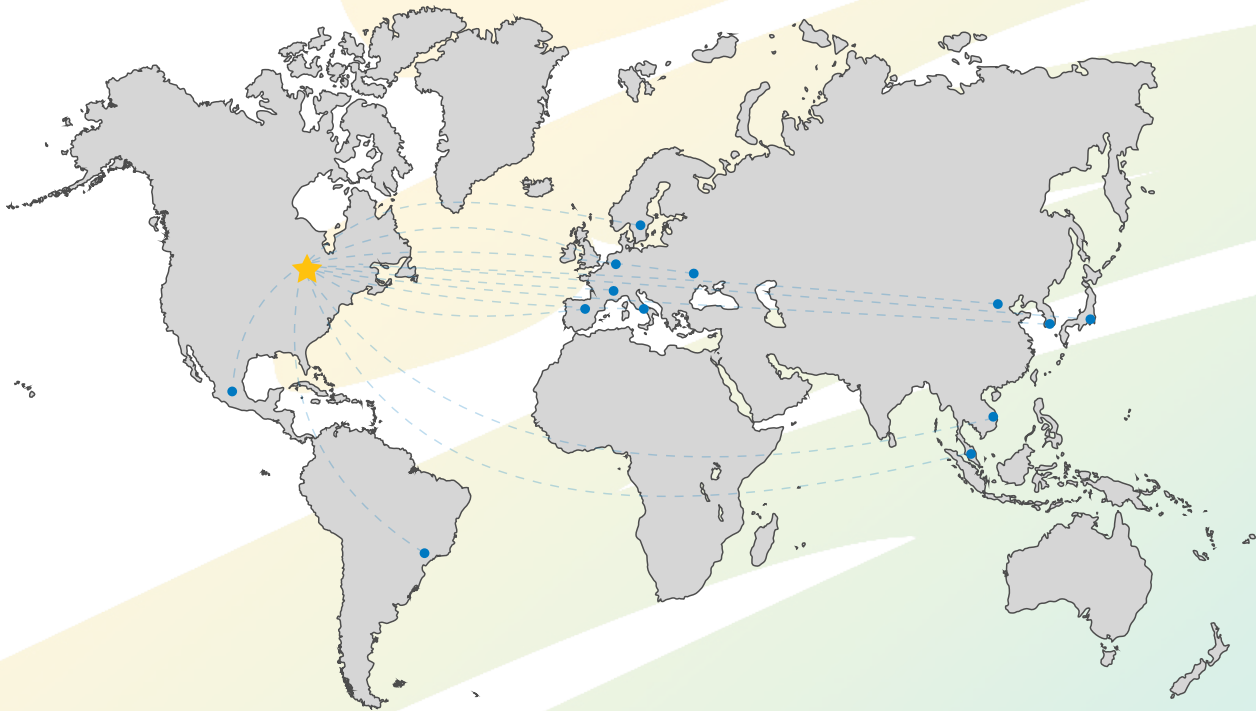
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You belong here

