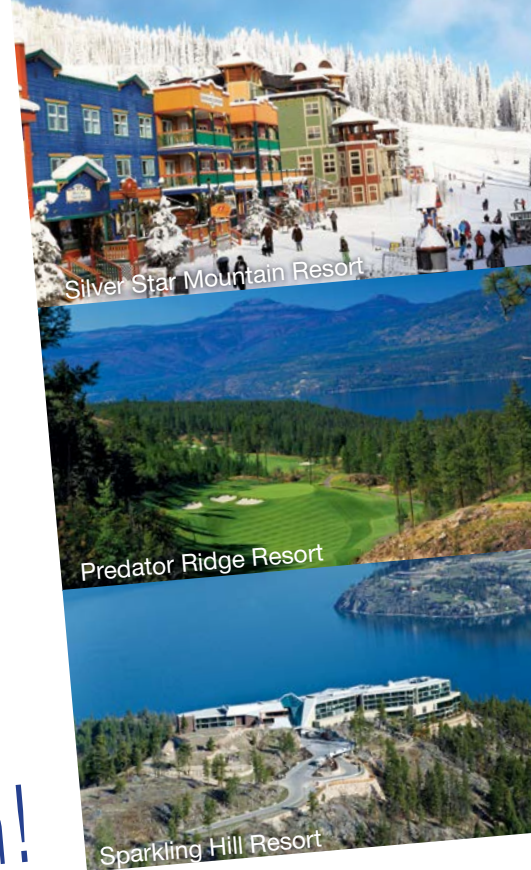




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The City of Vernon is well known for its beautiful setting amid valleys, mountains, rivers and lakes. Bordered by Kalamalka, Okanagan and Swan Lakes, Vernon has a great climate with four seasons offering outstanding recreational opportunities. The population exceeds 50,000 with a healthy diversified economy based on services, manufacturing, forestry and tourism.

Vernon is a leading tourist destination in Canada and a very desirable place to live. The City of Vancouver is a mere 4.5 hours away by car, or 45 minutes by air to the Kelowna International Airport. From the Kelowna International Airport it is a 30-minute drive to Vernon on one of the most scenic highways in Canada. Our host families welcome students from the Kelowna International Airport and drive them to their homestay.

Vernon boasts one of the best climates in Canada with mild winters and hot, dry summers. Students can experience snow in a short winter with mild, comfortable temperatures.

Our world-class recreation facilities include Silver Star Mountain Ski Resort (20 minutes from the city), Predator Ridge Golf Resort (one of Canada's top golf courses) and the famous Sparkling Hills Resort.



Vernon School District

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM

Programs for Kindergarten to Grade 12

Welcome to the Vernon School District

We are pleased to welcome International Students to study in our **modern**, well-equipped schools. We offer **unique programs** and **high quality academics**. We are **proud** to have one of the highest graduation rates in British Columbia.

Come join us! Experience the rich Canadian culture in the beautiful Okanagan Valley. Experience all that Canada has to offer.



Elementary Students, age 12 and older. ESL program provided as needed. Younger students must stay with a natural parent.

Secondary Students are welcome in all 5 of our high schools. Come for a short experience or to earn a high school diploma. We welcome students for 1, 2, 3, or 4 months, a semester, a full year of study, or for a full graduation program.

University-bound Students under the age of 19 can study for 5 to 10 months to improve their English and prepare for college or university. Usually these students have already graduated and want to become familiar with the North American school system.

Summer Programs - ***Lots to choose from!***

Do you like sunshine, warm weather and beaches? Join us in Vernon for our summer program taught by fully qualified British Columbia teachers. All of our programs run Monday to Friday and include meals, snacks, activities and accommodation with a Canadian host family.

The Great Canadian Summer Program is designed to help students improve their English skills through classroom instruction focused on reading and comprehension, academic writing, and speaking. A typical day will include English instruction in the morning and fun activities in the afternoon.

English Prep Program is a one week intensive English program. It starts in late August, the week before school starts, and prepares you for school in September.

Vernon International Student Program Offers: Outstanding Academics

Learn shoulder to shoulder with Canadian students.

Experience a wide variety of challenging academic and elective courses.

Prepare for college or university by graduating with a world-recognized diploma from one of the best educational systems in Canada.

Benefit from our partnerships with the best colleges and universities in Canada.

Lots of Activities to choose from...

You can join many teams like soccer, basketball, volleyball, rugby and golf to name a few. Enjoy the focus on the arts in school with courses in band, choir, theatre and visual arts.

Vernon is known as a community focused on recreational activities. You will experience exciting things to do in all 4 seasons. Experience a world class ski resort 30 minutes from your home. Ski, snow board and X-country ski in one of the best facilities in Canada. Play soccer (indoor and outdoor), badminton, join the swim team, play hockey or just hang out at the beach.



How do I apply?

Go to our website to access our application. You will find all the details of our application process at:

<http://www.vernoninternational.ca/apply>

Paper applications can be scanned and emailed to:
admissions@sd22.bc.ca

When Can I Start?

We accept students on an ongoing basis depending on course requirements and space availability. Students can be accepted with beginner to expert English proficiency.

Where Will I Live?

You will live with a Canadian family. Vernon is a safe, medium-sized community with 98% native English speakers. Students enjoy a rich cultural experience and will see their English excel by living and learning with an English speaking family.

Credit + Passion = Academies

In our School District Academies students earn credits while pursuing a personal passion or interest during the school day. Academies offer the opportunity to develop a skill or make a positive contribution to their community or to those in need. In Vernon we offer school academies in Soccer, Hockey, Baseball, Earthquest the Outdoor School, Snow Sports, Global Education and Students Without Borders. Contact us for a complete list of academies, program details and prices.

W.L. Seaton Secondary School is a dual-track school offering both English language programming and the city's only secondary French Immersion program. Seaton has a strong Arts and Culture program evidenced by its award winning Concert and Jazz bands, as well as Choir, Drama, Musical Theatre, and Visual Arts programs. Seaton is one of the most diverse schools in the district making it a welcoming environment for international students.

Population: 800, grades 8 - 12

Charles Bloom Secondary School is situated in the rural community of Lumby, the Gateway to the Monashee Mountains. The school is located in the center of the Village and has close proximity to community facilities such as the park, swimming pool, curling rink, skating rink, regional library and Skateboard Park. We are especially proud of our school culture. Students and staff alike believe in mutual respect and promoting a positive atmosphere in which all learners can do their best.

Population: 325, grades 7 - 12

Vernon Secondary is one of Vernon's most comprehensive schools offering courses and opportunities across all disciplines and areas. VSS has a proud tradition of achievement in athletics, fine arts, and academics. In January 2013 VSS proudly opened the doors to a beautiful new building with state of the art technology in every room.

Population: 900, grades 8 - 12

Clarence Fulton Secondary offers a wide range of academic courses, interesting electives and some dual credit college courses. This school has outstanding athletics programs and is a welcoming community school.

Population: 750, grades 8 - 12

Kalamalka Secondary School offers a strong academic, athletic and extra-curricular program involving students from all grades. KAL prides itself on maintaining high expectations of its students in their academic pursuits. Students can enjoy a variety of athletics, clubs, arts and interesting electives such as musical theatre, woodworking and band.

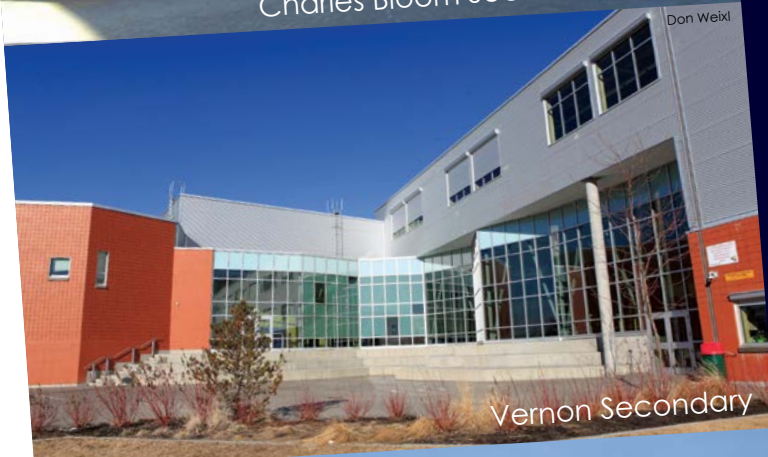
Population: 575, grades 8 - 12



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