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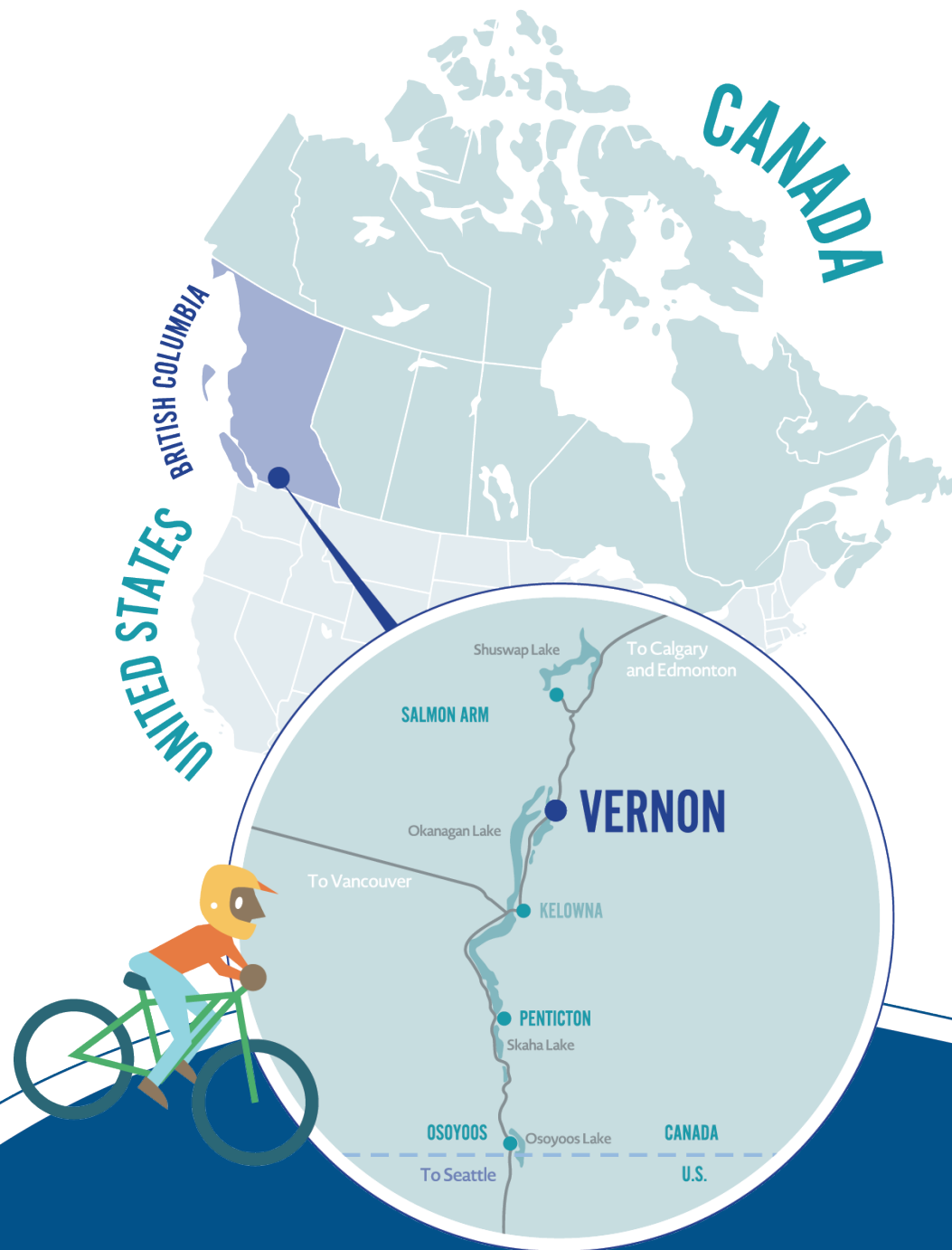


Vernon International
Student Program

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British Columbia, Canada



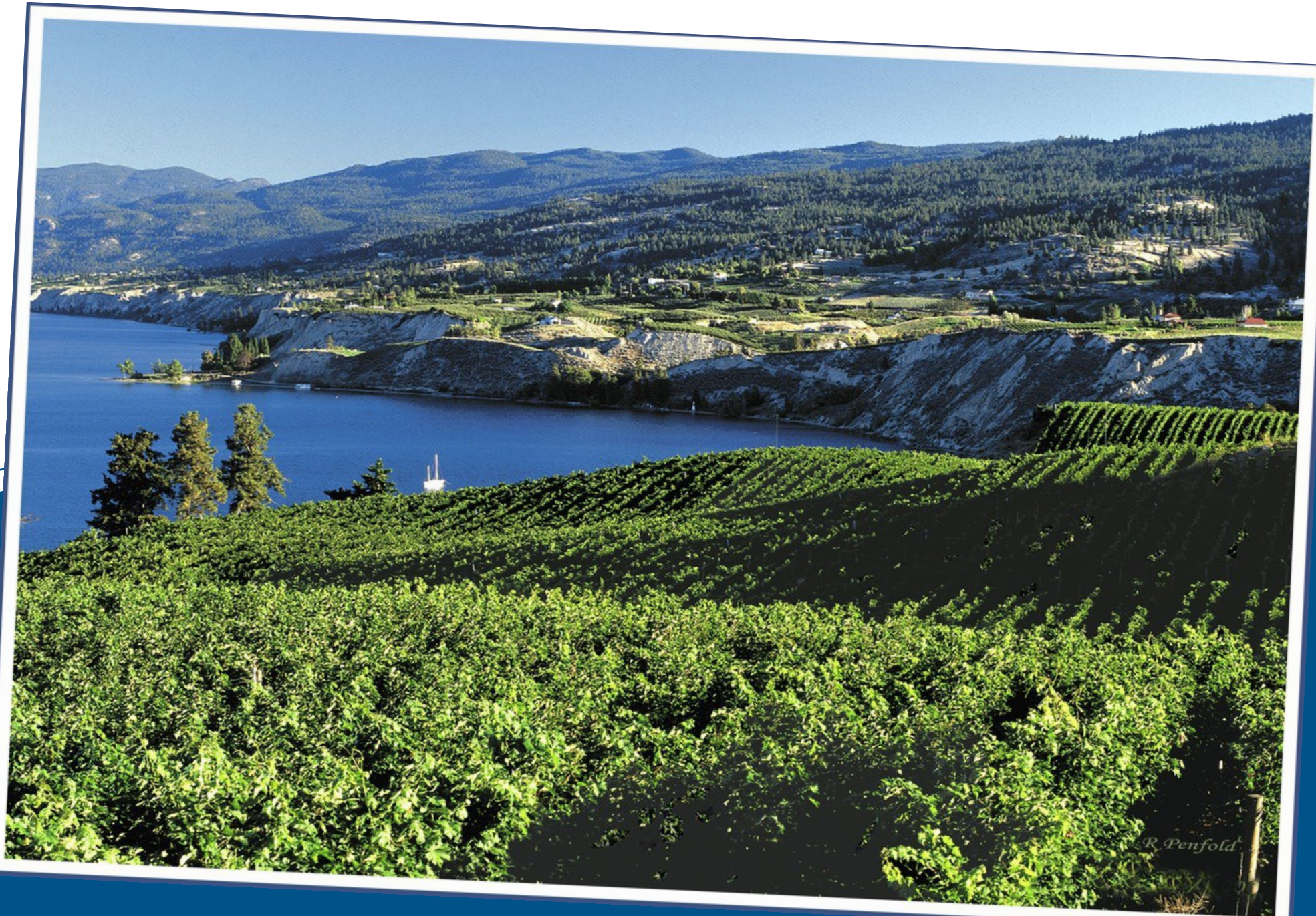
Where are we?

- 30 minutes from an international airport
- 45 minute flight or 4.5 hour drive from Vancouver
- 1 hour flight or six hour drive from Calgary

One of Canada's most desirable places to live.

- Population is approximately 58,000
- Located in the Okanagan Valley (630,000 people)
- Leading year-round tourist area
- One of Canada's most desirable areas to live
- Safe medium sized English-speaking city
- 5 High Schools and 14 Elementary Schools





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How's the weather? Just right!

- Great dry climate – one of the best in Canada!
- Very little rain
- Two months of snow in the city
- Five months of snow at Silver Star Mountain
- Summer 30° to 35° C
(perfect for enjoying our stunning lakes)
- Winter 0° to -5° C
(perfect for enjoying our world-class skiing)



World Class Resorts



Predator Ridge Golf Resort



Silver Star Mountain Ski Resort



Sparkling Hill Resort







World Class Education



British Columbia is one of the best education systems in the world with 100% participation, inclusive education, and quality educators showing top results in Reading/Literacy Rates, Graduation Rates, and Post-Secondary Transition Rates.

Did you know that Canada is ranked as one of the top education systems in the world for Reading, Science, and Math on PISA (Program for International Student Assessment)?

Canada is ranked 2nd to 7th on the World-wide Education Index.



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Our Schools

- International student population: **300+ from 21 countries**
- District student population: **8,600**
- Secondary population: **3,875**
- Top 5 countries: South Korea, Germany, Mexico, Spain, Japan

W.L. Seaton Secondary

1000
Students



Charles Bloom Secondary

375
Students



Vernon Secondary

1,075
Students



Clarence Fulton Secondary

775
Students



Kalamalka Secondary

650
Students



International Student Programs

Vernon International Program welcomes students from K-12th grade in a public school district with:

- 5 high schools
- 14 elementary schools

And they offer:

- Short term
- Semesters (5 months)
- Full-year (September-June)
- British Columbia Graduation Program

Our schools are staffed with International/ELL teachers providing English language instruction and ongoing support for all subjects.





Success through
individual support

You will be supported personally
throughout your experience in Vernon.
Whether it is finding your classrooms,
finding new friends, or learning English...
our staff will be there to help you succeed.

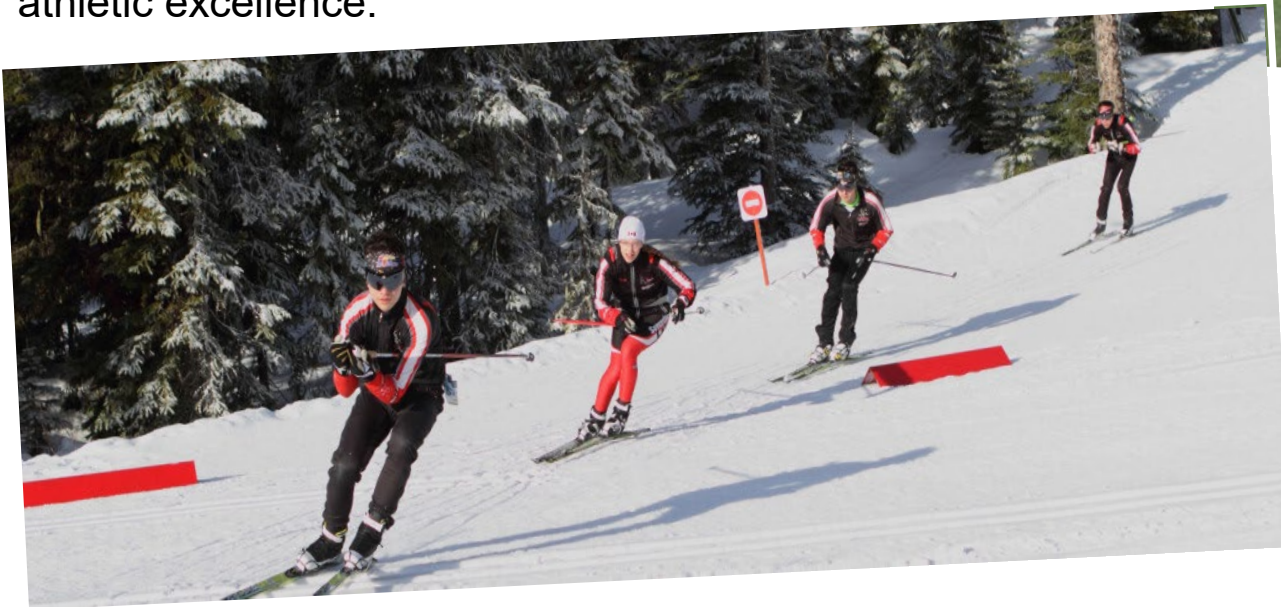
Personalized Learning



Academies

Soccer Academy

In collaboration with the Thompson Okanagan Football Club (TOFC), School District #22 offers a high-performance academy for male and female athletes, grade 8 to 12. The academy operates within the school timetable and caters to athletes who are committed to academic and athletic excellence.



Snowsport Academy

School District 22 offers students with a passion for snow sport, specific athletic development and a personalized learning plan for each athlete based on their sport and academic goals. Students will be credited for a minimum of 2 high school courses during their participation in the Snowsport Academy. Students will be on-snow approximately four days per week during the ski season.

Other Programs

- **On the Edge Hockey Academy**

The OTE Academy prides itself on providing the best skills program value in the North Okanagan.

- **Earthquest Outdoor School**

School District 22 and Earthquest offer a program of adventure in excellence that empowers participants intellectually, physically, socially, spiritually and morally within a learning environment that values caring, sharing, compassion, responsibility, accountability, individuality and creativity.

- Baseball, Golf, Volleyball, Dance

- Vernon Figure Skating Club, Vernon Kokanee Swim Club, Rhythmic Gymnastics, Martial Arts, Dance, Music Lessons, Indoor Rock Climbing, etc.



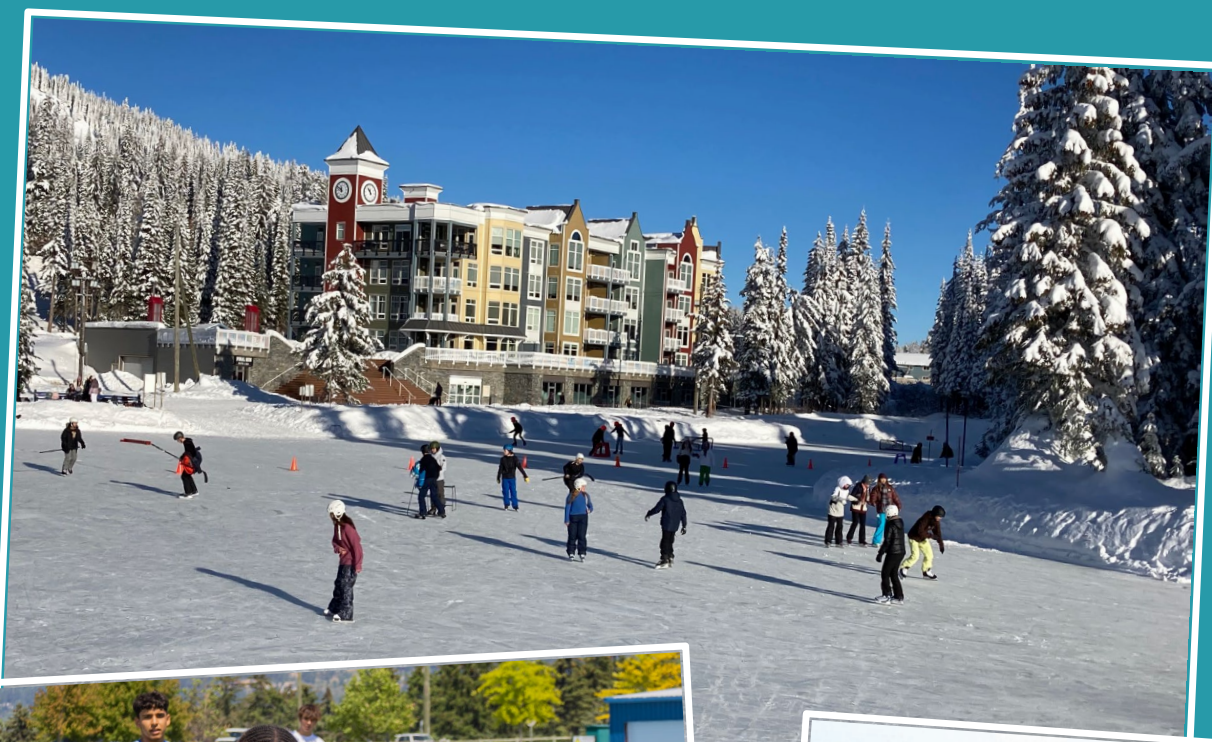
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Your Experience of a Lifetime

- Orientation for International Students
- Paddleboarding
- Zipline and Aerial Park
- Community Scavenger Hunt
- Pumpkin Patch Visit
- Limitless mountain biking and hiking trails
- Stunning lake and beaches
- BBQs and Games
- Silver Star Ski Resort: Tube Town
- Silver Star Ski Resort: Skiing
- Trip to Edmonton, Alberta
- Trip to the Rocky Mountains
- Trip to Kelowna: Laser Bowling and Shopping
- 4 Day Trip to Victoria
- 3 Day Trip to Vancouver
- Soccer Championships





Your Home Away from Home



Homestay is a great way to broaden your horizon and to truly experience Canada.

Homestay families are responsible for student safety, food, room, transportation, and reporting to the district.

All Homestay families must submit a Criminal Record Check.

Homestay families pick up and drop off students at the airport.



Homestay Staff



Supporting you every day

- Available 24 hours per day
- Careful placement of all students
- Home Inspections
- Interview families
- Ensure Criminal Record Check
- Regular student check-ins



Why Vernon?

- Leading tourist area with a great climate (summer and winter)
- Safe, completely English-speaking city
- Academies (soccer, golf, hockey, snowsports, etc.)
- World class ski resort
- Personalized attention for students (homestay/school)
- Great homestay program
- September, February, Summer entry

Application Requirements

Application Due Dates:

- **March 31st** for September (1st semester) / **Payment Due: July 15**
- **October 31st** for February (2nd Semester) / **Payment Due: December 15**

Required Documents:

- The application should be ONE file (example: the app and homestay form should come together, not as separate docs), and all documents should be submitted with the application.
- Passport copy (agents should note the expiry date.)
- Transcripts in English. (If transcripts are not in English, a certified true copy of the original transcript along with a certified translation is required).
- Writing sample (student must complete this by hand in English)
- A non-refundable application fee must be paid before your application moves forward.

Recommended Documents:

- IELTS Test / Letter of Recommendation / Pictures



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*"Have your
best year
ever in
Vernon!"*



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