

Key Facts

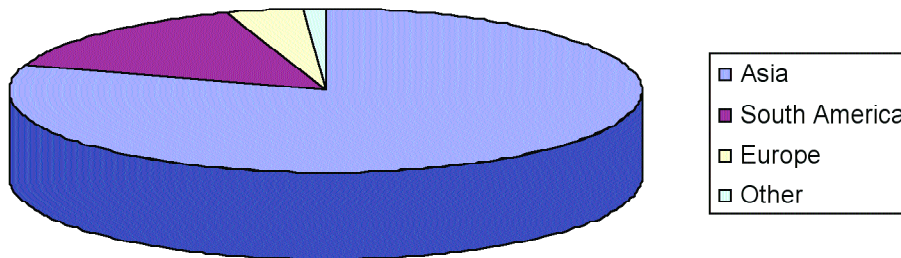
INTERNATIONAL STUDENT MIX

Red Leaf’s public high school partners typically range from 900 to 1400 students with an average size of about 1100 students. International students usually comprise between 2-5% of the total student population.

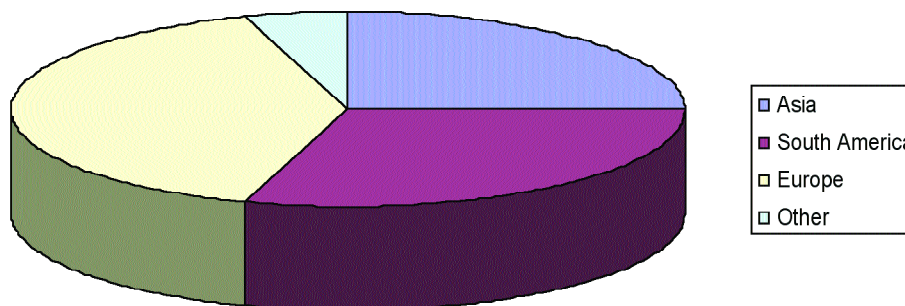
Our private school partners, mostly Christian schools, usually range from 100-300 students. International mixes in these schools range widely, most however are very low. Contact us if you have a request for a specific school.

In BC, most of the students come from Asia and specifically from South Korea. This can vary from school to school. For example, in Nanaimo there are more European students and in Hamilton there are more Asian students. These charts are meant to provide a general idea of the international student breakdown in the two most popular destinations in Canada – BC and Ontario.

International Students - BC High Schools



International Students - Ontario High Schools



HOMESTAY DISTANCE & PROFILE

Most homestays are located close to the school. Typically, students either walk or take the bus to school. On average it takes about 30-45 minutes to get to the school.

There is no typical Red Leaf homestay family! It's no surprise these days that there are wonderful families who are made up of single mothers, older couples, and the usual Mom and Dad with Children profile.

STUDENT EXCURSIONS – costs may vary

ONTARIO

1) Niagara Falls Day Trip - \$45

Regarded by many as one of the most beautiful waterfalls in the world, this tour to Niagara Falls takes you into the heart of the falls with the legendary Maid of the Mist boat ride.

Sample Itinerary

- Depart Toronto from Yonge and Bloor at 10:00 a.m.
- Tour of an award-winning winery
- Visit the beautiful and historic town of Niagara-on-the-Lake
- Drive along the Niagara Parkway
- Picture stop at the Whirlpool Gorge
- Optional Maid of the Mist boat tour
- Free time in Niagara Falls
- Optional trip to the top of the Skylon Tower
- Return to Toronto at 8:30 p.m.

2) Algonquin Park Day Trip - \$75

With such a huge diversity of living things it is not surprising that many people are drawn to Algonquin Park to catch a glimpse of a wild animal or to drink in the beauty of a spring wildflower. Algonquin Parks 7,725 square kilometres of forests, lakes and rivers is a great place to escape from the busy urban city.

Tour Includes

- Deluxe coach transportation
- Nature hike
- Entrance to the Algonquin Park visitors centre
- 2 hour canoe lesson and free time on the water
- A tour escort.

3) Ottawa Weekend Trip - \$200

Not only is Ottawa home to the Canadian National Parliament Buildings, it offers visitors a wide variety of places to visit, from museums and galleries, embassies and official residences, to the natural beauty of its waterways and parks. Spring, summer, winter or fall, Ottawa has a festival to enjoy.

Sample Itinerary

Day 1

- Morning departure
- Arrive in Ottawa - lunch and free time in the Byward Market
- Professionally guided tour of Ottawa followed by an indoor tour of the Parliament Buildings
- Cross the Ottawa River into Quebec - visit Gatineau
- Dinner at Hard Rock Cafe, Ottawa
- Visit the Parliament Buildings for nighttime pictures.

Day 2

- Breakfast in the hotel
- Visit the Museum of Civilization in Gatineau
- Free time to explore the museum
- Lunch in Gatineau
- Visit the National Gallery for a guided tour of the gallery plus entrance to the feature exhibition as well as free time to browse the gallery
- Depart National Gallery for Toronto
- Dinner stop in Kingston, Ontario.

4) New York City Weekend Trip - \$330

Experience everything that New York has to offer. From the Brooklyn Bridge to Central Park, you will see it all on this guided tour and still have lots of time to explore on your own and catch a Broadway show.

Sample Itinerary

Day 1

- Morning departure
- Arrive in New York - Visit Times Square and 42nd Street.

Day 2

- See the city from atop the Empire State Building
- Walk across the Brooklyn Bridge back into Manhattan
- Shop and explore the South Street Seaport at Pier 17
- Walk from Wall Street to Trinity Church
- Enjoy a 2-hour boat tour around southern Manhattan
- Free time and dinner in Times Square
- See a famous Broadway play.

Day 3

- Stop for Outlet shopping on your return trip home
- Evening return

BRITISH COLOMBIA

1) Whistler Day Trip - \$50

This is a great option for students who would like to visit Whistler but are not able to spend the entire weekend there. The price includes deluxe coach transportation, a guided tour along the Sea-to-Sky Highway and a tour of Whistler Village. Students can also book in advance one of the exciting outdoor activities that Whistler is famous for at a discounted price.

Sample Itinerary

- 8:00 am: Check-in begins at Canada Place (arrive early to ensure you get your preferred seat on the bus!)
- Depart Vancouver at 8:30 am. Meet in front of Canada Place - Burrard and Canada Place
- Travel the scenic Sea to Sky Highway
- Stop at Shannon Falls
- Enjoy a tour of Whistler Village
- Free time to enjoy optional activities such as the Whistler sightseeing Gondola, Zip trek, Bungee Jumping, mountain biking, etc.
- Visit Brandywine Falls
- Scenic picture stop at Porteau Cove
- Return to Canada Place.

2) Victoria Day Trip - \$90

This tour gives students the opportunity to explore British Columbia's capital city as well as experience the beautiful Gulf Islands. Students have the option of visiting the famous Butchart Gardens, museums, spending the day whale watching or enjoying a walking tour with an experienced Canadian guide.

Tour Includes

- Cruise through the Gulf Islands
- Feeding the seals at Oak Bay Marina
- Tour historic downtown Victoria
- Option to go to Butchart gardens, the Royal BC Museum, Craigdarroch Castle or go whale watching – may incur an extra cost
- Experienced Canadian Tour Guide
- Luxury Coach Transportation – no school buses
- All Ferry Fees
- In-transit games and entertainment
- Sightseeing in Victoria.

3) Tofino Weekend Trip - \$240

The Tofino Tour provides students with the opportunity to discover the natural beauty of Vancouver Island, the abundance of marine life, and the rich culture of the First Nations people in the Tofino area. This tour includes a Whale Watching Tour, so keep your eyes peeled and you may also see Bears!

Sample Itinerary

Day 1

- 6:45am: Check-in begins at Canada Place – arrive early to get your preferred seat on the bus
- Visit Coombs – A camera is a must item on a trip to Coombs, as on a good day, visitors might get a picture of the goats on the roof. Other attractions include Vancouver Island Butterfly World and Garden
- Hike around Little Qualicum Falls where impressive waterfalls cascade and plummet down a rocky gorge in a beautiful forest setting
- Visit Cathedral Grove and gaze upon the ancient giant cedar trees
- Arrive in Ucluelet and hike the wild pacific trail
- Join your guide on a Whale Watching tour from Ucluelet to Bamfield
- Check in to hotel and free time to spend as you like
- Dinner and beach bonfire – roasted marshmallows and smores for dessert!.

Day 2

- Enjoy a cruise from Bamfield to Tofino
- Tour the fishing village town of Tofino
- Free day – recommendations include surfing, bear watching, kayaking, fishing
- Depart at 4:00 pm for Vancouver
- Arrive in Vancouver at approximately 10:00 pm.

4) Seattle Weekend Trip - \$165

This 2-day tour is ideal for anyone who loves baseball and fans of Ichiro or simply want to explore the beautiful city of Seattle and the famous Premium Outlet Stores. These tours are scheduled around the Seattle Mariners' home game schedule – almost every second weekend. Not a baseball fan? Take the Underground Tour below the streets of Seattle, see the city by land and sea on a Duckboat Tour or visit one of the museums that Seattle is famous for.

Sample Itinerary

Day 1

- 7:15am - Depart Vancouver from Canada Place – meet at 7:00am
- 8:00am- Arrive at U.S.A. Customs. Fill out U.S. entry forms - \$6.00 U.S. per person – American currency only
- 12:30pm - Arrive in Seattle! City Tour
- 12:45pm - Optional Safeco Tour only \$8.50- a one hour tour of the amazing field of the Mariner's.
- 2:00pm - Check in to the hotel
- Afternoon - Spend the day as you choose! Shopping downtown or a tour of Seattle
- 5:00pm - Meet in the lobby of the hotel to go to the Mariners game!
- 6:05pm - The Mariners hit the field
- 9:15pm - Bus back to the hotel.

Day 2

- 6:30 - 9:30am-Breakfast at your leisure
- Morning - Enjoy a number of daytime activities in Seattle such as shopping, city tours, harbour tours, Science Centre or visit the famous Space Needle
- 3:00pm - Depart Seattle
- 3:30pm- Stop and shop at the Premium Outlet Stores
- 9:00pm - Arrive back in Vancouver at Canada Place.

QUEBEC

1) Toronto/Niagara Falls Weekend Trip - \$300.00

Toronto is Canada's largest city and commercial the center of Canada. Here you will visit the CN Tower, the World's tallest freestanding structure. During the City Tour, you will see the Sky Dome the CN Tower and City Hall before moving on to Niagara Falls. Niagara Falls is regarded by many as one of the most beautiful waterfalls in the world, this tour you into the heart of the falls with the legendary Maid of the Mist boat ride.

Sample Itinerary

- Departure at 7:30AM on Saturday
- Visit 1000 Islands and take 1 hour boat in 1000 Islands area from 10:00AM to 11:00AM
- Lunch in a restaurant in Kingston from 11:30AM to 12:30PM
- Visit CN Tower, the tallest tower in the world, at 4:00PM
- Visit City Hall, Sky Dome and downtown of Toronto from 5:30PM to 6:30PM
- Dinner in a restaurant in Toronto from 7:00PM to 8:00PM
- Spend over night in a hotel in Toronto
- Arrival in Niagara Falls at 9:00AM
- Taking the Maid of the Mist boat tour to close the powerful falls
- Free time in the city of Niagara Falls
- Lunch in a restaurant in Niagara Falls
- Return 10:00PM on Sunday.

2) Quebec City Day Trip - \$160.00

Students visiting Québec are always charmed and inspired by its old-world ambience, characterized by narrow, cobblestone streets and ancient greystone buildings, many of which date to the early 1600s. The walled city is visibly European in its look and feel – and attitude, and at the same time, it is uniquely Canadian.

Sample Itinerary

- Departure at 7:30AM on Saturday
- Visit l'Observatoire de la Capitale - "The Top of Quebec City"
- Lunch at a French restaurant in Old Quebec City
- Tour among UNESCO's world heritage sites: Chateau Frontenac, Place D'armes, Citadel and the Parliament Building
- Dinner in a restaurant on way back to Montreal
- Return to dormitory at 9:00PM on Sunday.

3) Ottawa Day Trip – \$125.00

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Sample Itinerary

- Departure at 7:30AM on Saturday
- Arrival at the Parliament Hill to see the changing of the guards at 10:00AM
- Visit the Parliament Building at 10:30AM
- Lunch from 12:00PM to 1:00PM
- Visit the Civilization Museum from 1:00PM to 3:00 PM
- Shopping in Ottawa from 3:30PM to 4:30PM
- Dinner at a restaurant from 5:00PM to 6:30PM
- Return to dormitory at 7:30PM on Saturday.

4) Upper Canada Village Day Trip- \$65.00

Touring Upper Canada Village will bring you back in time to the 1860s. The Village is a heritage park located near Morrisburg, Ontario. You will see what it was really like to live and work in the 19th Century. A key part of the experience is the authentic buildings that make up the village, the activities that each housed, and the people who lived there.

Sample Itinerary

- Departure at 8:00AM on Saturday
- Arrive at Upper Canada Village and take a horse ride in the Village from 10:00AM to 10:30AM
- Visit the authentic buildings built in 1860s from 10:30PM to 11:30AM
- Lunch in a restaurant in the Village from 11:30AM to 12:30PM
- Experience Canadian children's life in 1860s in the Play Room from 12:30PM to 2:00PM
- Take a boat tour in the village from 2:00PM to 2:30PM
- Free time in the Village from 2:45PM to 3:15PM
- Return to dormitory at 5:00PM on Saturday.

5) Ski/ Tubing/ Snowboarding Day Trip -\$135.00

Itinerary

- Departure at 8:00AM on Saturday
- Attending a ski school in Saint-Sauveur from 10:00AM to 12:00PM
- Lunch in a restaurant in Saint-Sauveur from 12:00PM to 1:00PM
- Taking part in activities of Ski/Tubing/Snowboarding in Saint-Sauveur from 1:30PM to 4:00PM
- Return to dormitory at 5:00PM.