

Terms and Conditions Studying in the LRSD

Louis Riel School Division provides a cultural and academic educational experience for International Students studying in the Louis Riel School Division. Students should understand that they are enrolling in a public school division and must hold a valid visa, study permit (where required), and/or other pertinent documentation.

1. ATTENDANCE & SCHOOL WORK

Students will follow program rules and cooperate with the International Student Program staff, school's administrators, teachers, staff, students and homestay family. The student must understand that a successful experience in the International Student Program depends on following the rules of the school. These rules include, but are not limited to:

- Regular class attendance
- Completion of all homework and assignments
- Actively participating in classroom work
- Successfully maintaining a minimum of 4 courses per semester (or otherwise specified)
- Participation in activities offered by the program (including extra-curricular activities)

Students have an obligation to stay for the duration of their studies. Leaving early can affect the academic record and requires written permission from the biological family stating the date of departure and reason. A refund will not be granted for voluntary withdrawal.

2. CULTURE

- Students are expected to interact with students, homestay, and staff to learn about Canadian life and culture.
- Students must respect cultural differences. They must understand that Canada is a multicultural society and that the customs and traditions of others may be different from their own.
- Students must understand that discrimination based on nationality, gender, sexual orientation, political or religious affiliation is illegal in Canada. Bullying of any person, or abusing physically, sexually, psychologically, orally, in writing, multimedia or otherwise, and unwanted touching in a sexual or non-sexual way, are not tolerated and can lead to dismissal from the program.

3. LAW, RULES & REGULATIONS

- While in Canada, students must follow all laws, rules and regulations under the jurisdiction of the national, provincial, and local laws.
- Any litigation involving the Louis Riel School Division will be conducted in, and according to the laws of the Province of Manitoba. Examples of breaking the law include shoplifting, stealing, possession and use of weapons, drugs, and inappropriate use of social media (e.g. Facebook) or technology. If they break the law they will be sent home.
- Students must follow the terms and conditions of the study permit issued to them by Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada.

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4. ALCOHOL & ILLEGAL DRUGS

Students may not consume alcohol or use legal and illegal drugs while enrolled in the International Student Program. Use, possession, or trafficking of these products is not permitted.

5. HOLDING A PAYING JOB

Students may not hold a paying job during their participation in the International Student Program. Students cannot perform any task in exchange for money while in Canada.

6. DRIVING

Students may not drive motorized vehicles of any type, regardless of any existing license or training from their origin country. Students may not participate or partake in Drivers Education classes/program.

7. LRSD HOMESTAY / INDEPENDENT LIVING ARRANGEMENT

Students acknowledge that living in a homestay environment provides a valuable opportunity to learn about other families and cultures. They will obey the rules of their homestay family. This includes any curfews, chores and other rules they have established. They will participate in activities with their homestay family. If a student decides to leave (or not apply) for the Louis Riel School Division Homestay Program, they understand that the Louis Riel School Division is not liable for any issues arising in a private accommodation, including any disputes, concerns, medical, financial, and insurance matters. Louis Riel School Division is released from any obligation (medical, financial, and legal). Students must provide custodianship (if under 18 years of age) that is acceptable by Louis Riel School Division and that fulfills the legal definition of custodianship in Canada.

8. FEES

Students understand that program fees cover their application fee, tuition, medical insurance, most school fees and homestay or transcript validation fees (if applicable).

- Health insurance fee is mandatory for all international students.
- The International Student Program pays homestay fees to homestay families directly at the end of every month. Students may not pay families directly. School fees will be administered to the schools through the International Student Program. School fees include items such as lockers, school agendas, and extracurricular fees.
- Students may not attend classes until all fees are paid in full. It's the parents' responsibility to ensure that any other outstanding money is paid prior to their departure from the Program.
- It's the student's responsibility to cover any additional expenses prior to leaving, including extra luggage fees.

9. VISITORS

Family members from home countries are permitted to visit students while in Canada. The visit must not interfere with their schooling. The student or family member are responsible to make arrangements for independent accommodation. Students must advise the International Student Program staff at least two weeks prior to visitor's arrival in Canada. Only immediate family are allowed to visit during study times.

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10. AGE OF MAJORITY

All students understand including students over 18, they must follow all laws and rules of the International Student Program including the rules of their homestay family. All information pertaining to behaviour, class attendance, and academic standing (including report cards), will be shared with natural parents and/or agent if applicable, regardless of age.

11. TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION

Parents of the undersigned student, authorize the legal custodian and the homestay family to make the determination for student travel for the duration of student's participation in the International Student Program. It is understood that this authorization is given in advance only when the student is travelling and supervised by a host parent or by a representative of a school program. The student may not travel unsupervised. Neither the Louis Riel School Division nor the homestay families supervise independent travel of an international student outside the City of Winnipeg, or assume any responsibility for the student. The costs associated with travel are the students responsibility.

12. PERMISSION TO PUBLISH PHOTOGRAPHS & VIDEO

Parents of undersigned students, give permission to the Louis Riel School Division to use any photographs or moving images taken during a student's participation in any homestay family and/or school-related events (co- and extra-curricular events, class activities, and special events/assemblies, etc.) or for divisional updates to LRSD based Internet and social media, including permission for videos and/or interviews. Such photos, moving images and videos may be used in Departmental or School publications (i.e. brochures, newsletters, and school/division website) and in submissions to the local paper and any other agency as authorized/sanctioned by the Louis Riel School Division. These materials may be used for publicity purposes.

13. MEDICAL RELEASE AUTHORIZATION

The Louis Riel School Division, custodian and host parents are authorized to consent to any X-ray examinations, anesthetic, medical or surgical diagnosis or treatment or hospital care which is deemed advisable by, and is rendered under, the general supervision of any licensed physician or surgeon, whether such treatment or diagnosis is rendered at the clinic or said by physician or surgeon or at a hospital. This authorization is not given in advance of any specific diagnosis, treatment or hospital care being required, but is given to provide authority and power on the part of the legal custodian to give specific consent to any and all such diagnoses, treatment or hospital care which the aforementioned physician or surgeon, in the exercise of his/her best judgment, may deem advisable. This authorization shall be valid for the duration of the Louis Riel School Division International Student Program in which the student is participating.

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14. MEDICAL LIABILITY RELEASE

I/we undersigned agree that the Louis Riel School Division can take action in regards to a student's health and safety without incurring any liability or expense. This may include, but not limited to, student's placement in a hospital, use of doctor's services, and transportation to his/her home country at parents' expense. It is also understood that all students are covered by private insurance (GuardMe).

15. GENERAL RELEASE

- The Louis Riel School Division can, at its discretion, reserve the right to apply consequences and/or dismiss students and return them home at parents' expense without refund for reasons such as (but not limited to): (i) providing false and/or inaccurate information on this Student Application Form, (ii) not disclosing or providing accurate information about any medical information, (iii) violating any of the rules set out by the International Student Program and Manitoba or Canadian Law, non-payments of school tuition fees and other breaches of any agreement/contract discussed in the Terms and Conditions for studying in the Louis Riel School Division.
- The undersigned understand and agree to reimburse the homestay family, the school or Louis Riel School Division for any expenses, charges, or damages caused. LRSD is not responsible for any lost items, such as passport, documents, wallet, cell phones, computer devices, etc. This pertains to any location (school, homestay, bus) while the student is studying in the Louis Riel School Division.
- Responsibility to ensure students documents are up to date (such as renewal of study permits and passports, etc) is the parents'.
- If students are terminated from the Program, Immigration Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) will be notified.
- The Louis Riel School Division reserves the right to terminate participation for the violation of program rules and/or when a participant's mental and/or physical health is in jeopardy (as determined solely by the Louis Riel School Division).

When posting pictures, messages, or comments on any social media site (including but not limited to Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.) students will respect personal dignity and NOT post negative, derogatory or hurtful messages/photos of their peers, themselves or anyone's family and school staff or program.

The undersigned have read the above and agree to support and fulfill all obligations as set out. We understand failure to follow the rules above could result in disciplinary action and/or dismissal from the Louis Riel School Division.

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Name of Student	Student's Signature	Date
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Name of Parent/ Guardian	Parent/Guardian's Signature	Date
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Name of Agent (if applicable)	Agent's Signature	Date