NANAIMO LADYSMITH International Education



On Vancouver Island!



British Columbia has one of the best public education systems in the world . . . Our students perform at the top of international assessments.



Classic West Coast Communities

- Our seaside communities, located on beautiful Vancouver Island, are safe, peaceful and clean
- We are surrounded by forested mountains, rocky shores and sandy beaches
- We enjoy the mildest climate in Canada
- We have easy access to the dynamic cities of Vancouver and Victoria, as well as the world famous ski resort on Whistler Mountain
- Opportunities for rich cultural experiences, recreation and shopping abound
- Nanaimo is the right size to have everything you need and Ladysmith overflows with small town charm



Home Away From Home

- Our student's home-away-from-home provides support, encouragement and guidance
- Students are immersed in English language and experience authentic Canadian culture
- Students fully participate in family life including activities, celebrations and doing the dishes!
- The well-being of our students is closely monitored by experienced Homestay Coordinators
- Homestay Coordinators make weekly visits to each school to check in with our students to ensure each homestay is the best it can be



Student Programs

- Our education programs are individually designed to meet the interests and academic goals of each student
- We offer direct access to a rich variety of academic, fine arts, skilled trades, career and physical health education classes
- Students learn alongside their Canadian peers in regular classrooms
- For students requiring English Language support, we have English Development classes as well as individualized ESL support



Student Support

- We have International Student Advisors in every school who ensure students are comfortable at school and are excelling in their classes
- Advisors monitor students' academic progress, encourage involvement in activities and provide guidance with cultural adaptation and social adjustment.
- English Language teachers work with classroom teachers to support student learning
- Our schools have counsellors who provide academic, social and emotional support

Our international students return home with new knowledge, deeper cultural understanding, increased self-esteem, greater maturity and life-long friends from Canada and around the world.



Secondary Schools in Nanaimo Ladysmith



Nanaimo District

population 1450

- A vibrant student group that embraces diversity and ensures everyone feels welcome
- Draws students from across the district to its Hockey, Soccer, Lacrosse and Beach Volleyball Academies
- Easy access to premier athletic facilities including a weight room, all season track and turf fields, swimming pool and skating arenas



Dover Bay population 1350

- Enjoys a long history of academic and athletic success
- Has an outstanding Performing Arts program and well equipped shops to explore woodwork, metalwork, mechanics, robotics, culinary arts and textiles
- Proud competitors in mathematics and computer technology and is well known for environmental initiatives.



Wellington population 1000

- Students choose Wellington for its nationally acclaimed Jazz program, Musical Theatre department, language learning opportunities, enriched fine arts experiences, and its variety of athletics, clubs and activities.
- Wellington is a newly updated building with a unique west coast design and an abundance of natural light

Engage, Experience, Explore . . .

Join in, explore, compete, contribute! After school activities provide memories for a lifetime. Join your Canadian and International peers in athletics and clubs. Make new friends, improve your own well-being and contribute to your Canadian community. There are choices for everyone and places where everyone belongs.



Engage in School Life! School life in Nanaimo-Ladysmith includes many extra activities and international students are encouraged to join in. Students pick up new skills, stay active, and build life-long friendships with Canadian peers and students from around the world.



Experience Canadian Activities! While studying in Nanaimo Ladysmith, students are provided opportunities to experience traditional Canadian activities. Activities include curling, bowling, skating, paddling, snow shoeing, hiking, hockey, skiing , surfing and special events.



Explore Beautiful British Columbia! Guided excursions include whale watching, surfing at Long Beach, skiing at Whistler Mountain and cultural trips to Victoria and Vancouver. A highlight for many students is a four-day trip to the stunning Rocky Mountains.



Ladysmith

population 650

- Located in the picturesque hillside town of Ladysmith that is known for its warmth and charm
- Known for its dynamic extracurricular programs, strong athletic traditions, a vibrant Improv club and a celebrated Musical Theatre program.
- Proud to offer opportunities to get outside and enjoy Vancouver Island, including outdoor education and land & language courses



John Barsby population 650

- Known for engaging learners with experiential courses like leadership, athletic training, chef-training, digital photography, trades and robotics.
- Athletic excellence in football, boys' basketball and girls' volleyball
- Bulldog Theatre, fine arts and photography programs give students an opportunity to showcase their talents.
- Comprehensive ELL support



Cedar population 275

- A hidden gem tucked away in rural Cedar
- Offers a unique learning experience that suits students who enjoy small classes, independent personalized learning and an educational setting where everyone knows your name
- Students develop strong critical, creative and collaborative thinking skills that prepares them well for a future of further learning.

A Rich Variety of Courses

Our schools provide a rich variety of academic courses from which to choose. Students are able to create individualized programs to match their interests and to meet their academic goals.

Graduation Requirements (20 courses in grades 10, 11 & 12)

• English 10, 11, 12

- Science 10 and 11 or 12
- University Program Pre-Requisite Courses
- Other Elective Courses

- Socials 10 and 11 or 12
- Mathematics 10 and 11 or 12
- Physical and Health Education 10
 Career Life 10 and 12
- English Social Studies **Mathematics** Chemistry Pre-Calculus English History Psychology AP Chemistry (Dover) **Creative Writing** Social Justice Physics AP Physics (Dover) Calculus Law Composition Economics (Dover) Genocide Studies Life Science (Biology) AP Biology (Dover) Foundations of Math Literary Studies Human Geography Physical Geography Anatomy and Physiology (Biology) Workplace Math Media Studies **Career Education Contemporary Indigenous Studies** Earth Science English Development (ESL) Political Studies (Dover, NDSS) **Environmental Science (Dover) Career Life Education** ESL (Tutoring) Philosophy (Dover, NDSS) **Career Life Connections**





Many Courses to Choose From!

Arts Education	NDSS	Dover	Wellington	Ladysmith	John Barsby	Cedar
Dance						
Dance Foundation	~	1		1		
Dance Performance	1			1		
Choreography	✓			1		
Drama						
Drama	4	4	4	4	4	4
Theatre Productions	1	✓	✓	1	✓	
Musical Theatre	1	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Directing and Script Writing	✓	✓	✓		4	
Music						
Instrumental Music (Concert)	4	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Contemporary Music (Jazz)	1	✓	✓			
Jazz Studies	✓		1			
Visual Arts						
Studio Arts	1	4	4	4	4	1
Graphic Arts	1	✓	✓		✓	1
Studio Arts 2D	1	✓	✓		✓	1
Studio Arts 3D	1	1	1		4	1
Design, Skills and Technology	NDSS	Dover	Wellington	Ladysmith	John Barsby	Cedar
Design, Skills and Technology Home Economics	NDSS	Dover	Wellington	Ladysmith	John Barsby	Cedar
Home Economics	NDSS ✓	Dover	Wellington ✓	Ladysmith	John Barsby	Cedar ✓
Home Economics Foods						
		√				
Home Economics Foods Textiles		*				
Home Economics Foods Textiles Fashion Industry Culinary Arts		*				
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Business Education	NDSS	Dover	Wellington	Ladysmith	John Barsby	Cedar
Entrepreneurship	1	1	✓		1	
Marketing	1	1	1		1	
Business Computer Applications		✓	1			
Languages	NDSS	Dover	Wellington	Ladysmith	John Barsby	Cedar
French	~	1	1	✓	√	1
Spanish	✓	1	1			~
Hulquminum	~		~	~	✓	
Physical and Health Education	NDSS	Dover	Wellington	Ladysmith	John Barsby	Cedar
Physical and Health Education	√	1	1	1	~	1
Soccer		1				
Volleyball		1			1	
Basketball	✓	1	√		1	
Dance Fitness	✓	1		1		
Outdoor Education	✓		✓	1		√
Fitness and Conditioning						

Activities		NDSS	Dover	Wellington	Ladysmith	John Barsby	Cedar
Athletic Teams	Season						
Basketball	Fall	✓	1	1	1	1	By demand
Volleyball	Fall	1	1	1	1	✔(Girls)	By demand
Football	Fall	✓				✓	
Boys Soccer	Fall	1	1	1	1	By demand	
Girls Soccer	Spring	4	✓	✓	1	By demand	
Girls Field Hockey	Fall		✓				
Rugby	Spring	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Swimming	Fall	✓	✓	✓			
Golf	Spring		✓	By demand	1	By demand	By demand
Track and Field	Spring	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cross-country Running	Fall	✓	✓	✓		√	✓
Badminton	Spring		~	✓	1	1	
Athletic Clubs							
Badminton	Spring		1	1		1	
Triathlon	Spring		1				
Intramurals	Year long	1	1	1	1	1	~
Dance Team	Year long	4	1				
Weight Room	Year long	1	1	1	1	✓	✓
Service Clubs							
Student's Council	Year long	1	1	1	1	1	1
Me to We	Year long	1	1	1	1	✓	
Eco Club	Year long	✓	1	✓		✓	✓
Energy Ambassadors	Year long	✓	✓			✓	1
Leadership	Year long	1		1	1	✓	✓



Love Learning in Nanaimo Ladysmith!

- Welcoming inclusive schools
- Safe, clean communities
- Surrounded by forests, mountains and ocean
- Strong student support programs
- Canadian homestay experience
- Mildest climate in Canada
- Easy access to Vancouver, Victoria, and the world famous Whistler Mountain!

Located on Beautiful Vancouver Island on the West Coast of Canada

- Fly to Vancouver International Airport
- Take a 12 minute flight from Vancouver to Nanaimo
- Be met at the Nanaimo airport by our Homestay program staff
- Settle in and begin your journey!

