



Calvin Christian School
Educating for Life



Explore. Experience. Evaluate.

CALVIN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL WELCOMES INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS!

Not only do we have a great program for international students looking for a safe, quality education, but we also provide varied opportunities for those students to begin to master the English language. We highly value international students because of the positive impact that these students have on the educational experience of our Canadian students.

OUR MISSION

Calvin Christian School serves Christian families by providing a secure learning environment in which God's children can explore, experience and evaluate all of life under the Lordship of Christ.

OUR VISION

To be an educational community equipping our students to live as followers of Christ:

- Being transformed by the renewing of our minds (Romans 12:2)
- Growing in wisdom and striving for academic excellence
- Developing as servant leaders
- Acting with love, compassion and justice in the world
- Demonstrating a growing faith in God



ADVANTAGES OF CALVIN

- Welcoming, safe community
- Academic excellence
- Award winning sports, arts and music programs
- Highly qualified, government-certified, experienced Christian teachers who care about each individual student
- Favorable teacher-student ratios, promoting strong relationships
- Opportunities to develop student leadership skills
- A place to develop long-lasting relationships
- A challenging, yet secure learning environment where students explore, experience, and evaluate all of life under the Lordship of Christ
- Our grads successfully enter post-secondary programs of their choice, many with entrance scholarships
- Students are provided an education that goes beyond preparing them for post secondary schooling
- Students are challenged, guided, and encouraged in the development of high ethical standards
- Students are prepared for a lifetime of success
- Calvin limits the number of international students in each classroom so they will more readily be encouraged to engage the English language and interact with Canadian students
- Teachers who understand the unique challenges international students face when they move to Canada for the first time
- Calvin consistently ranks among the top schools in Manitoba for graduates attending university and other post secondary programs. Students from these schools consistently earn high numbers of university scholarships each year. Scores on provincial examinations are consistently above the provincial average.

WINNIPEG – THE HEART OF THE CONTINENT

ONE GREAT CITY!

Winnipeg, a multicultural and vibrant city with a population of over 800,000, is situated in southern Manitoba.

Points of Interest about Winnipeg:

- Business and cultural centre of the province.
- Oldest city in western Canada.
- Offers a variety of rich and diverse cultural and sporting events, entertainment and festivals.
- Offers a secure and comfortable lifestyle.
- Close to many historical towns that are worthy of a visit.
- Centrally located – just a short flight away from other major North American centres such as Vancouver, Toronto, Montreal, Chicago and Minneapolis.
- Has one of the country's highest employment and worker productivity rates.
- People have a high standard of living.

- It is considered to be a secure environment for its citizens and for students from around the world.
- Has a strong reputation in film-making and movie production.
- Has one of Canada's most diversified urban economies – including an international garment industry, a thriving aerospace industry and expanding agricultural food processing businesses.
- Has a top quality health care system that is readily available to all.
- Is known throughout North America for its highly developed medical research.
- Is home to the only Canadian Science Centre for Human and Animal Health where researchers study diseases that affect many humans and animals worldwide.
- Home to the Canadian Museum for Human Rights.



The Golden Boy

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Pavilion Gallery and the Duck Pond at Assiniboine Park

Photo Credit: Desiree Dyck



Royal Canadian Mint

Photo Credit: Kevin Walk



St. Boniface Cathedral

Photo Credit: Ginette Manaigre



Red River Mutual Trail

Photo Credit: The Forks North Portage Partnership



Oodena Celebration Circle at the Forks

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FOUR SEASONS

Four distinct seasons allow residents of Winnipeg to take part in many diverse activities throughout the year.

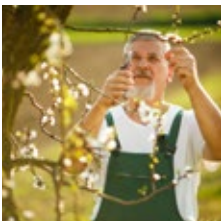
WINTER



Our winters allow for snowboarding, skiing, ice-skating, sledding, snowshoeing and horse-drawn sleigh rides. February brings our popular “Festival du Voyageur” where we celebrate the city’s French Canadian heritage. There are dogsled races, snow sculptures,

maple sugar candy, traditional French Canadian food and entertainment.

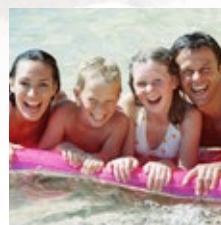
SPRING



Springtime brings green grass, new leaves on our trees, colourful flowers and the opportunity for different experiences. You will find more people out jogging, bike-riding and enjoying the warmer weather.

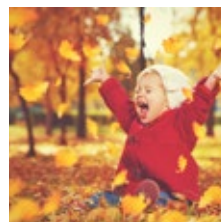
SUMMER

Our summers are sunny and hot. Manitoba has many beautiful, sandy beaches and over 100,000 lakes to explore. Fishing, water skiing, canoeing, sailing, camping, hiking and



rock climbing are very popular outdoor activities. Winnipeg is also known as a city with many festivals. From our yearly Canada Day celebrations to our world-renowned multicultural festival, “Folklorama”, there is always an exciting event to experience.

FALL



Fall is a time of stunning beauty. The leaves on the trees turn bright shades of red, yellow and gold. The countryside is filled with a rainbow of agricultural crops ready for harvest; bright yellow sunflowers, deep red wheat, lush green corn fields and purple alfalfa are just a few colours one would find on a quick trip

outside the city. The Canada Goose gets ready for its yearly trip south and one can find hundreds of geese gathered in fields or flying in formation overhead. Fall also brings the start of the Winnipeg Jets hockey season, the Winnipeg Blue Bombers football playoffs and the end of the Winnipeg Goldeyes baseball season. Regardless of the time of year, international students have many options.



HOMESTAY PROGRAM

CCS offers our international students accommodations provided by a very supportive Homestay Program. All of our international students not living with family or friends arranged by their biological parents are required to live with a Homestay Family arranged by our program. All of our Homestay Families go through a careful screening process, which includes child abuse and criminal record checks.

Students will learn about their Homestay Family at least two weeks prior to their scheduled arrival. The Homestay Family and personnel from the International Student Program meet the students and the Winnipeg International Airport.

Follow-up visits to the home by our Homestay Coordinator take place on a regular basis. Students and Homestay Families are provided with a copy of our "Homestay Program Guidelines" to assist them in understanding the expectations of the program.

TUITION AND FEES

Application Fee <i>(non-refundable)</i>	\$100
Full Year <i>(2 semesters)</i>	\$12,000
Half Year <i>(1 semester)</i>	\$6,000
Homestay Fee <i>(room and meals)</i>	\$750 / month
Increased EAL Support	up to 6 hrs/week \$3,000/year up to 9 hrs/week \$4,500 / year
Health Insurance	responsibility of parents of the student

NOTE: Prices are subject to change

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See website for full course options

- calvinchristian.mb.ca/program-info

THE APPLICATION PROCESS

STEP 1 ■ Complete the student application forms. Forms can be downloaded from our website: <http://calvinchristian.mb.ca/international-students>. A complete application package must include the following:

- ISP 002 Application Form
- ISP 003 Student Homestay Application (if applicable, available for Grades 4-12 only)
- ISP 004 Medical Form
- ISP 005 Pastoral Reference
- Custodianship Declaration Form(s) - Custodian & Parent/Guardian (if applicable)
- Transcripts of the last two school years
- A letter of recommendation from the previous principal
- An electronic copy of a recent passport sized photo
- A non-refundable application fee of \$100 CDN

STEP 2 ■ Email the complete student application package to ccsoffice@calvinchristian.mb.ca

STEP 3 ■ The principal will decide upon acceptance and placement of the student. Students who are accepted will receive a formal letter of acceptance required by the Canadian Embassy for application for a study permit.

STEP 4 ■ Students requiring a Homestay Family will be provided with information about the family at least two (2) weeks prior to arriving in Winnipeg.

STEP 5 ■ The Homestay Coordinator and the Homestay Family will meet each international student at the Winnipeg International Airport.

STEP 6 ■ School begins!

ESL SUPPORT

Students must be able to demonstrate proficiency in the English language. If EAL support is needed, the costs will be as follows:

- up to 6 hrs/week - \$3,000/year
- up to 9 hrs/week - \$4,500/year

HELPFUL LINKS

10 reasons why YOU should study in MANITOBA

- www.gov.mb.ca/ie/study

University Of Manitoba

- umanitoba.ca

University Of Winnipeg

- uwinnipeg.ca

Red River College

- rrc.ca

Tourism Winnipeg

- tourismwinnipeg.com

WHAT ARE OUR STUDENTS AND PARENTS SAYING?

The two greatest gifts parents can give their children are roots and wings. Calvin Christian Schools are more than just excellent academic environments – they are places where we as parents are blessed to find partners to help us provide these gifts

to our kids. The schools' faith-based orientation and the solid academic curriculum are significant contributors to our kids' secure roots. At the same time the safe environment at Calvin Christian Schools provides a tremendous opportunity to encourage our kids to 'stretch their wings' – to explore a world of possibilities, to grow and mature in character, in relationships, in skill development and in faith.

We as parents are wholeheartedly and passionately committed to our kids. It is very clear that the staff at Calvin Christian Schools are equally invested in the kids with whom they share their days – far beyond what is required to merely “do their jobs”. Albert Einstein once said that “Education is what remains after one's forgotten everything he learned in school.” The Staff at Calvin Christian Schools don't just impart knowledge... they mentor and model, they provide practical wisdom, they engage with students even over personal dilemmas and difficult situations, they challenge students to strive and to see that they can reach beyond status quo and they champion and encourage our kids to be all that God intends them to be. Calvin Christian Schools don't seek to shelter our kids from the difficulties of the real world, but rather to prepare them to face reality with a Biblical worldview – to be responsible and responsive to a suffering world, to be ‘difference makers’...

THIS is the kind of “education” that will remain for a lifetime and transcends generations.

– Calvin Parent

Hello Mr. Alger,

I wanted to be sure to send a note of thanks to the teachers at Calvin. It is remarkable how with each interview I heard such positive, helpful and most of all really accurate understandings of my son's needs and the things that help him to succeed. He is doing really well; growing in confidence, taking charge of his learning and getting better results. I can see that he is starting to really believe that he can be a good student and that he

has skills and gifts. Though anxiety still gets in his way at times, he is continually growing in his ability to do what it takes to move past the worried and negative thinking that caused so much avoidance.

I am so thankful that we made the choice to put our son in your school. You are providing a caring and responsive environment for him to grow in.

With gratitude to God and all of you,

– Calvin Parent

Evidence of God's Presence

Being “the new person” at school isn't always easy. Our three children were outsiders when we enrolled them in September, but I'm certain that the typical feelings associated with being the “new kid” diminished quickly. Each of our children were embraced by loving teachers who illustrated their Christian walk in their actions towards the students. The teachers are wholeheartedly dedicated to ensuring that our children know they are loved by God and God's love for us is all around us, if we just stop and observe. Our kids have LOVED their exploration of science and the outdoors with their classes, bringing awareness of God's miraculous design in creation to the classroom.

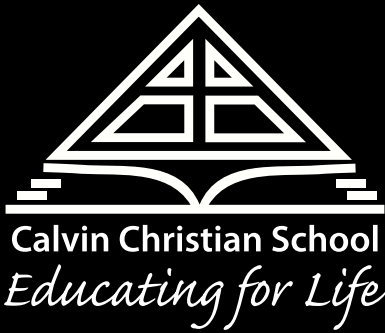
When my daughter was dealing with a “foreign concept” called ice-skating, not only did her teacher provide gentle instruction (and a “good push”!), we learned that her friends became her skating coaches, skating arm in arm with her all around the rink! I have also thoroughly enjoyed being a part of the parents' prayer group at Calvin. I know that the Lord is present in this school as we seek to work together in raising our children.

We were seeking a place where the presence of God would be tangible and our children's God-given gifts would be nourished. At Calvin both attributes were evident right away!

– Calvin Parent

See more testimonials on our website at:
calvinchristian.mb.ca/testimonials





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