What students have said about...

HOMESTAY LIFE

"The food was great, they were very kind and they did lots of activities with me."
"They treated me like their daughter."
"They always made me feel comfortable."
"I played with their kids, had conversations about different things, and trips together."

COMMUNITY LIFE

"It's a beautiful town worth seeing."
"Not so crowded like in big cities and there's beautiful nature and many activities."
"Powell River is safer than other places, it's small, and people are friendly."
"So many activities to improve English and communicate with local people."



SCHOOL LIFE

"I really liked textiles. We don't have this subject in Germany and the teacher is so nice and understanding."
"I really liked my Active Living 11 class. I got to know a lot of people."
"Everything. The school system, teachers, activities, classes, games, and students."
"The atmosphere at school and the teachers. They are really good."

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qathet SCHOOL DISTRICT

International Education Program

About the Program

The qathet International Student Program offers the best of what Canadian schools, families, and communities have to offer. International students are engaged in learning, develop meaningful connections with their host families, and feel safe and supported as they become independent members of the community. Parents, teachers, community members, and the International Program team take pride in giving the Brooks international students the best possible educational experience.



About Homestay Life

Students in the International Education Program live with carefully selected local homestay families who provide a welcoming family environment, security, and cultural opportunities to experience a *true Canadian life.* The homestay coordinator carefully selects families to ensure students are placed in safe, comfortable, and supportive homes. The full-time coordinator is also available to support all students with their homestay needs.

About Brooks Secondary

Students at Brooks Secondary attend a modern campus surrounded by ocean, forests, and lakes. Brooks offers a well-rounded education including English immersion, outdoor activities, cultural experiences, academic rigour and extracurricular activities. The relatively small International student population allows for individual attention and full integration with Canadian students.

Learning at Brooks

qathet School District and Brooks Secondary offer a variety of programs to meet the needs and interests of students from around the world, including:

- BC Graduation Diploma Program
- English Language Learning Immersion
- Canadian Cultural and School Experience
- University/College Entrance Courses

Along with core subjects such as English, Social Studies, Sciences, Math, and Writing, Brooks offers a variety of elective courses, including:

- Culinary Arts & Foods
- Ice Hockey Academy
- Media Arts & Photography
- Physical Education and Sports electives
- Textiles, Art & Pottery
- Woodwork, Metalwork & Trade Sampler
- Drama & Musical Production
- Band, jazz band, choir & chamber choir
- Mountain-bike course
- Dual Credit in Early Childhood Education
- Hairdressing

About the Community

qathet School District is located in the unique coastal community of Powell River, BC, north of Vancouver. Powell River is known for its rich history, welcoming community, safe neighbourhoods, and beautiful natural surroundings. The breathtaking scenery and mild climate make it an ideal location to live, study, and experience Canadian life. With a population of approximately 20,000, the area offers quality education, medical services, and a wide range of recreational facilities and opportunities. Here's what students get to enjoy:

- Ice hockey, skating, curling, and golf
- Swimming and snorkelling
- Beaches and sunsets
- Hiking, climbing, and nature walks
- Kayaking, canoeing, boating, and fishing
- Whale-watching and wildlife spotting
- Local shopping, restaurants, and markets
- Soccer, karate, and tennis
- Dance and gymnastics
- Powell River Kings Hockey
- Musical and dramatic performances
- Seasonal festivals and parades

