

Application Process



The Inter-A program is ideal for students who have initiative and leadership.

1. Attend the parent information evening on January 31st, 2023 at 6:00pm at Queen Elizabeth Secondary.
2. Email jay_m@surreyschools.ca on February 1st, at 9am to book a visit date.
3. Visit the program for a day, while partnered up with a current grade 8 student and submit an application form.
4. Return for a brief interview.
5. Acceptance notices will be issued in the spring of 2023.

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For more info, visit www.inter-a.ca

Field Trips & Cultural Celebrations



Inter-A Europe Trip to Eastern Europe

Inter-A believes learning occurs both inside and outside the classroom and encourages experiential learning and field trips.

Day Trips - Small field trips that take place within the school day such as a visit to Bard on the Beach (annual Shakespeare plays).

Overnight Trips - The Retreat is an annual overnight trip where students bond over the course of a 3-day camping trip.

Extended Trips - Includes the Europe, and Bamfield Trips. Students immerse themselves in a different culture for 1-2 weeks.

Cultural Celebrations - Student-led activities which promote exposure to diverse cultures and perspectives within the school building.



Inter-A

Inter-A is an educational option to a selected group of high school students who reside in Surrey and offers a unique approach to secondary school education (Grades 8-12).

Students in Inter-A use the standard curriculum but go further in depth into topics in an innovative learning and teaching environment, which is often student-led. Students work on multiple group projects throughout the year to enhance their leadership skills and give back to the community through volunteer work and collaboration with local organizations.

"Inter-A encourages the development of socially responsible students within a cooperative learning environment."

Location: Queen Elizabeth Secondary
9457 King George Blvd, Surrey

Inter-A Component



Choice/CSL - Student-led seminars

Grades 8 and 9 students are given the opportunity to lead their own class on a topic of their interest. This course allows students to build up presentation and organization skills at a young age. Senior students (Grades 10-12) may initiate their own projects to augment the program or benefit the school or community.

Service - Volunteering

Inter-A students are encouraged to complete 15 hours of volunteer work every 10 weeks. Both in-school and community volunteer opportunities are provided, teaching students the value of giving back to their community.

CPP - Career and Personal Planning

A goal setting course in which students are encouraged to work with teachers, peers, and parents to reach their short and long term goals.

P.E./Fine Arts



Inter-A Students choose from a variety of Art and P.E. options in a mixed-age environment.

Participants are exposed to a wide range of sports and visual arts. Those who are passionate and talented in a sport, or an art form can lead a class for 6 weeks, educating their peers and building on their leadership and organizational skills.

Examples of P.E. classes:

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| - Soccer | - Hip-Hop | - Jui-jitsu |
| - Bollywood | - Pilates | - Tumbling |
| - Handball | - Zumba | - Tennis |

Examples of Arts classes:

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| - Oil Pastels | - Sewing | - Photography |
| - Crocheting | - Drama | - Calligraphy |
| - Guitar | - Dance | - Mandalas |

A Typical Day



Grade 8 students will be enrolled in the same courses as in a regular high school: English, Social Studies, Science, Math, French, Physical and Health Education, Studio Art, Applied Design Skills and Technology, and Careers Education 8.

A typical day will have six blocks instead of four in a regular high school. For Grade 8 students, the additional classes may include a Choice Seminar, or Collaboration Time. Collaboration Time is time in the day for Grade 8 and 9 students to work together through tutoring relationships or other volunteer initiatives.

Inter-A Students will often work in co-operative groups. Students will often assess their understanding through presentations and learn to communicate and divide work up amongst their peers.