Welcome to Nancy Campbell Academy



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Our school year officially begins in just a few short weeks, and we are EXCITED!! In fact, we are delighted to welcome you all - returning students, new students, family and friends! Your team of teachers, residence advisors, and administrators are looking forward to sharing with you yet another wonderful year of learning and growing in service together here at the Academy.

We expect to see most of you on Move-In Day, at 130 Youngs Street, Saturday, August 24th, from 2:00 pm onward... And of course, to introduce our team to you and your family members joining you at the Principal's Barbecue (BBQ) on Sunday, August 25th (12:00 noon - 4:00 pm) at the school itself, 45 Waterloo Street S.

In the meantime, we eagerly met our summer ESL students on July 28! They began their studies on Monday, July 29th, and are now happily getting settled in class and in Stratford.

We invite you to read through this Welcome Package carefully and do let us know if you have questions we don't answer here. It will help us improve our package for next year!

Again, on behalf of your Nancy Campbell Academy educators, WELCOME to 2021-22! Get ready for a year filled with academic challenge, personal growth, and vision expanding service!

Teresa Flanagan,

Vice Principal

DID YOU KNOW?

Stratford was ranked 3rd in Ontario, Canada for "Best Places to Live 2017"

DID YOU KNOW?

NCA's school building originally was a YWCA founded in 1926

DID YOU KNOW?

Stratford weather: Summer 20°C - 28°C Winter -5°C to -12°C



Label it! Keep track of your things! Use labels

NCA Uniforms!



What you need (page 3)

And. . .



Everything else you need! (page 4)

Life in Residence!

Your new home address is: 130 Youngs Street, Stratford, Ontario, Canada

To Contact the NCA residence, please call the RAs at: 519-272-1900 Ext.3

Every student has their own key card. There is a \$25 charge replacement fee. For the safety of all our students, and of personal items, **keys should not be shared**. All guests must be signed in with permission.

Residence Curfew Schedule:

Week day curfew: Grade 9 & 10 - 9:00 pm, Grades 11 & 12 - 9:30 pm Weekend curfew: Grade 9 & 10 - 10:00 pm, Grades 11 & 12 - 11:00 pm Students should be in their rooms at 11:00 pm.

Laundry:

Students living in the residence are responsible for keeping their clothes clean. Laundry schedules will be assigned to students. Students need to have their own laundry detergent and fabric softeners. Ironing boards and irons are available at the residence.

Items for a beautiful and organized dorm room:

Your Well-Being:

Your well-being is critically important to us! Studies have proven that students who are involved and active in school activities adjust well to life at school, and thrive in all areas of their lives - academic, social, spiritual and emotional.

Personal Snacks/ Common Room & Kitchen:

Each room is equipped with a small fridge. Students often like to have some additional snack options of their own choosing, in addition to the 3 meals and snack provided. No meat is allowed to be stored in the student fridges. Please see the FAQs on pages 6 & 7.



Bedding

🗖 pillow

(winter)

spring/fall

two sets of twin sheets &

warm blanket or duvet

light blanket for summer/

☐ (Students are responsible

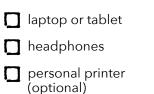
for washing their bedding.)

use your own)

pillowcases (if you prefer to



- art work and posters
 - family photos
 - inspirational readings or personal prayer books
 - desk organizers/lamp
 - laundry hamper/ baskets
 - 🔲 laundry soap
 - favorite snacks



- sleeping bag (optional)
- 🗹 big warm smiles!
- 🗹 positivity!

NCA Uniform Information

For the first week of school, students must wear black pants and white shirts; uniforms will be distributed during the first 2 weeks of class.

Your uniform deposit covers:

- two NCA white dress shirts
- 🗹 two NCA short-sleeved polos
- one NCA long-sleeved polo
- MCA cardigan or sweater
- two (girls) or three (boys) pairs of dress pants
- 🧭 authentic made-in-Scotland Campbell tartan kilt for girls
- 🗹 one Campbell tartan tie
- 18k gold plated school pin
- More than the second se

Please purchase at home:



- **all black** dress shoes (no other colors showing)
- **all black** casual shoes(no other colors showing)
- **7** pairs of black dress socks; for girls, add pairs of solid tights and knee socks.

Replacement items available for purchase include:

- **NCA** white dress shirts: \$45 each
- □ NCA short-sleeved polo: \$26 each
- □ NCA long sleeved polo: \$33 each
- NCA cardigan or sweater: \$33 each
- black pants: \$52 each

UNIFORM DRESS CODE

Students are required to come to school in uniform unless otherwise notified.

School Supplies

These items can either be purchased beforehand, or locally within walking distance of the school. Students will need:

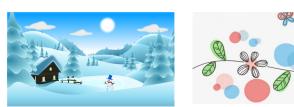
- **backpack or carrying bag for their school books**
- reusable water bottle & reusable hot beverage container
- 400 sheets of lined paper, and/or 4 notebooks for school work
- 3-ringed binders (1 for each class, or a larger binder with divided sections)
- combination lock for locker (keyed locks are fine, but you must have an extra key for the office)
- □ scientific calculator
- pencil case with sufficient supplies such as: blue/black/red pens, pencils, a ruler, highlighters, whiteout, markers, pencil crayons, glue sticks, tape etc.



In addition to uniforms, you will need:



Summer





2 casual cotton sweat-pants

2 pairs modest [] shorts

light pyjamas

modest bathing suit

beach towel

running shoes 🗖 sun hat/cap

sandals

| Winter | Fall & Spring | Year Round |
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| winter coat rated for negative -15° C | 🔲 light jacket | sufficient undergarments for a |
| M winter boots rated for -15° C | 2 pairs of jeans or medium weight pants | full week. Laundry is done once per week! |
| 2 pairs of thermal long-johns | 2 sweaters/hoodies2 long sleeved shirts | private rooms/ bathrooms, so do bring a bathrobe! |
| 3 pairs of wool socks | umbrella and/or raincoat | bath towel, wash cloths |
| winter hat and scarf | rain boots, if desired | flip flops |
| winter gloveswarm pyjamas | | toiletries (soap, shampoo etc.) |
| S now pants | | 🔲 black shoe polish |
| 🔲 indoor slippers | | 🔲 desk lamp |



| Please label all |
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| personal items! |

home!

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anything that makes

your room feel like

Many of these items can be purchased once you arrive. Winter items can be found here in Stratford, or at malls within driving distance. Our first planned shopping trip is Saturday, August 31st. However, should you wish to ship anything, please use the school address: 45 Waterloo Street S, Stratford, Ontario, Canada N5A 4A8.

International Students

Please arrive at the Canadian border with all the necessary documents



What you must bring for the Government of Canada:

- ALL important documents should be in the carry on luggage/ backpack due to inspections
- **D** RETURNING international students: Your valid Study Permit and Visa.
- NEW international students: If this is your FIRST study permit, it will be issued at your first point of entry into Canada. BE SURE to carry with you: "Visa/Study Permit Approved" letter issued by the Canadian Embassy, and the "Letter of Acceptance" issued by Nancy Campbell Academy.
- Original notarized custodianship file for all students under 17 years old.

What you must bring for Nancy Campbell Academy:

- Your school records of previous study starting from Grade 9, either in English or an English translation, notarized.
- ☐ Your immunization records in English, or a notarized English translation.

International Student Insurance;

- Canada is famous for excellent health care for citizens and permanent residents. However, international students should have <u>emergency medical insurance</u> while in Canada.
- Students moving from another province or territory should have a copy of their health care card and also should have emergency medical insurance coverage.
- Insurance purchased through Nancy Campbell Academy covers the day the residence opens through the day the residence closes, for both the fall and winter semesters. If you require additional coverage (for example over the winter break) please contact Cindy Wang.
- In most cases, you must first pay for doctor visits, prescriptions and medical services, then submit your claim forms for reimbursement. We can assist you with the reimbursement process if needed.

QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR DOCUMENTS?

Please address any questions or concerns about your required documentation to:

Ms. Wang - 519-272-1900 Ext.2

Administrative Co-ordinator of Guidance cwang@nancycampbell.ca



Additional Info

FAQ

Q: Where can we find out more information about what it means to be a student at NCA?

A: A great place to look is the NCA Student Handbook. This will give more detailed information about our policies covering a broad range of questions. View it <u>here</u>.

Q: I have questions about classes, credits and how to earn an Ontario diploma.

A: Another helpful document to look over when you have any questions about earning credits, classes, add/drop deadlines etc. is the NCA Course Calendar. View it <u>here</u>.

Q: Where can I access important dates?

A: A list of important dates can be found on our school calendar <u>here</u>. School newsletters will let you know when anything changes!

Q: What is the average school day or weekday schedule?

A: School starts at 9:00 am and has lunch break at 12:10 pm. School then continues from 1:15 pm to 4:00 pm in the afternoon. A complete list of the timings for the average school day and weekday can be found <u>here</u>.

Q: Will I need extra money? What is the average Canadian teenager's allowance?

A: It is suggested that each student have some extra money to spend. Each family should decide what they are comfortable with. You can budget based on your usual habits - going out with friends, going to a movie, and buying favorite snacks. Movies, General Admission \$9.00 - \$15.00 Large coffee or tea at local shop: \$1.50-\$1.99 Average meal out at a restaurant: \$15-\$25 Bottle of pop/ soda or juice \$1.50-\$3.00 (plus 13% tax)

Q: Is there somewhere to go swimming?

A: Yes, the residence has an outdoor swimming pool (April - October) that the students can use with supervision. Modest swimwear is required for all students. In addition, students can use their YMCA membership to enjoy the indoor pool year round.

Q: How will I get around Stratford?

A: All students who live in residence will receive a monthly bus pass that they can use to get to and from school, as well as around the city. Walking from the school to the YMCA takes about 5 minutes, and walking between the school and residence takes about 15-20 minutes.

Q: What is the airport transportation schedule?

A: Parents/ Guardians are responsible for knowing how their student will get from residence to the airport and back. Arrangements should be booked **well in advance** and **confirmed** with us so we know that the students are safe and there is no last-minute panic.

OPTION 1: You and/or your student make the arrangements, and share the details with us. To arrange transportation with the **Stratford Airporter** directly you can click <u>here to access their</u> <u>website</u>. It contains all prices, schedules and information your student may need, the approximate one way cost is \$100 with tax.

and common questions

Q: What is the airport transportation schedule? (Continued)

A: **OPTION 2:** The School makes arrangements with the Stratford Airporter on your behalf. If you require assistance in making arrangements for your student to travel to the airport via the Stratford Airporter, the cost is \$200 per student, per trip (\$100 admin. fee + \$100 transportation). To have the school make arrangements for the Stratford Airporter on your behalf please email Ms. Wang at cwang@nancycampbell.ca.

OPTION 3: Private Car and chaperone. Student(s) under 16 years of age traveling without parents must use this service. New students often prefer this option for their first trip to Canada. The school makes arrangements with a driver to go into the airport to meet the student(s). If you would like to arrange this service there is a charge of \$300 per trip. To arrange please email Ms. Elliott at nelliott@nancycampbell.ca.

Q: Is internet available at the residence?

A: Internet is available to students Sunday - Thursday from 6:00 pm until 12:00 am and weekends.

Q: Can we go out of town whenever we want?

A: If the student is under 18 years old, they need parents written permission to travel or leave the residence overnight. For Students who are over 18, they may sign their written permission forms. Please send permission emails to: <u>ra@nancycampbell.ca</u>.

Q: When is the kitchen open in the residence?

A: Kitchens are open from 6:00 pm to 11:00 pm on weekdays and from 11:00 am to 11:00 pm on weekends.

Q: When is the common room open?

A: The common room is open on weekdays from 6:00 pm to 9:30 pm and on weekends from 11:00 am to 11:00 pm.

Q: Does my student need to bring their own sheets and towels?

A: Sheets and towels are provided by the residence. Provided bedding is washed by the residence staff. However, students who prefer to bring their own are responsible to wash them. All students should bring a beach towel!

Quickest route from the residence to school:

