



# BONJOUR! / WELCOME! TEEN FRENCH SUMMER CAMP 2024 - WELCOME GUIDE



### Horaire du premier jour – First Day Schedule

| 7:45 – 8:15   | Accueil des étudiants – Welcome of students          |  |
|---------------|------------------------------------------------------|--|
| 8:30 – 9:00   | Présentation du programme – School presentation      |  |
| 9:00 – 10:00  | Test de niveau – French speaking test                |  |
| 10:30 – 12:00 | Passes du RTC/Animation – RTC bus passes/Animation   |  |
| 12:00 – 12:30 | Dîner – Lunch                                        |  |
| 12:30 – 13:00 | Départ pour les activités – Departure for activities |  |



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### Welcome to Edu-inter

The school staff is pleased to welcome you at Edu-inter. We are proud to be attentive to your needs to provide you with quality service.

#### Team presentation:

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Dial this number if you are lost or need urgent assistance.

School phone number: +1 (418) 573-5956

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### Other useful information about Edu-Inter school

#### **Class starting date & time**

- Classes run Monday-Friday from: 8:30 am -11:30 am: Core French (break at 10:00) 12:30 pm - 5:00 pm: Activities or external camp
- Classes start at 8:30 am every day. You will not be admitted into class if you are more than 15 minutes late. You will be permitted to join the class after the break with a permission slip only. While waiting for the break to begin, you will be directed to a specific room where you will do French exercises.

#### Free Wi-Fi

Network: Merici Username: eduinter Password: Eduinter2021



#### Health Insurance

Health insurance if provided by Edu-inter for all foreign students for the entire duration of the program. The coverage stops as soon as the program at Edu-Inter ends.

#### Activities

The schedule of activities is posted each week in the corridors and classes. Please refer to the booklet you have been given for details on the activities and excursions you are registered for. If you have any questions regarding the activities, please refer to your group leader.

#### Public transportation (RTC)

You may use public transportation called RTC. It is very easy to use. Please note that buses 800, 801, 11 and 25 will get you to the old city, the malls and, most importantly, school! Here is a link to find which bus to take from point A to point B: <u>http://www.rtcquebec.ca</u>

Or download the RTC application RTCNomade:



**IMPORTANT:** the school will charge the parents a \$150 CAD fee payable by credit card if their child loses the RTC bus pass that will be given to them.



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### **Medical clinic & Hospital**

In the event of an emergency requiring going to the hospital, a staff member from Edu-Inter will assist you through all the procedures. In case of illness requiring going to the clinic, the host family or the residence supervisor will accompany you.

You must always have your passport and medical insurance card when visiting the hospital or clinic and present it upon arrival.

In case of illness or accident, please notify your host family immediately. If you feel ill at school, you must notify your teacher/group leader as well.

If you are not in school or in your accommodation while feeling ill, please call first the school phone number: +1 (418) 573-5956 from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm, then call the emergency phone number: +1 (418) 264-8952.

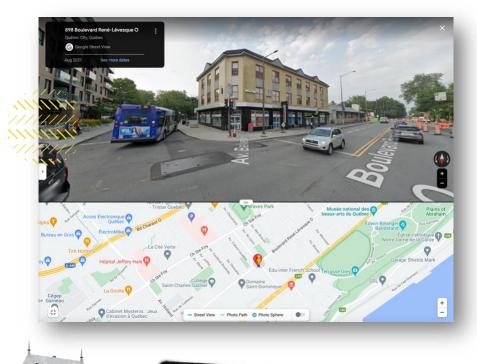
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The nearest post offices are located inside Uniprix (drugstore) located at the corner of Belvedere Street and Rene-Levesque and to the right of Rene-Levesque Pharmaprix (see map).

#### Uniprix

905, boul. René-Lévesque Ouest Québec G1S 1T7 Tel. 418 683-3631 Pharmaprix 835, boul. René-Lévesque Ouest Québec G1S 1T4 Tel. 418 683-3631



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### **School Policies & Code of conduct**

These rules were designed to ensure that all participants have an enjoyable and safe experience. We think that a common regulation to all has positive effects on cooperation between teachers, host families and students. Read these rules carefully, it is important that they be respected. Some of them may seem severe, but remember they are for your safety.

#### French Only Policy

Edu-inter has a mandatory "French Only Policy" in effect whereby students are expected to speak French at all times while at school, during activities, in the homestay or in residence. Teachers and administrative staff will reward efforts made by students to speak French by giving them coupons for a drawing that will occur at the end of each week.

Students who refuse to speak French in class and during activities will be subject to disciplinary measures outlined below:

- On your first violation an oral warning will be given.
- On your second violation you will be met by the director and your parents will be notified.
- On your third violation you will be in detention during one weekly activity.
- On your fourth violation you will lose a week-end excursion.
- On your fifth violation you might be expelled from the program.

#### Authorization to go out for students in the residence

Teenagers aged 14 and over who live in the student residence are eligible to obtain a temporary absence. This permission consists of being able to walk freely and without supervision in the city of Quebec on Wednesday and Saturday evenings, as well as on Sunday afternoons. In addition, this permission is automatically valid for the entire stay at the camp. Parents who wish to give this permission to their child must sign and send the "Exit Permit for Residence Students" letter to the following email address: <u>coordiados2@edu-inter.net</u>

There won't be authorizations given to teenagers under 14.

#### Behaviour

Certain behaviours are not accepted by Edu-Inter (refer to the code of conduct). If an inappropriate behaviour occurs, here is the procedure that will be applied to the student guilty of misconduct. Depending on the level of seriousness, you might be expelled from the program. If you are found guilty of drinking alcohol,



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## smoking, using drugs or being involved in sexual activities, you will be automatically expelled from the program and returned to your country at your own expenses.

#### Attendance

Students are expected to attend all classes. Teachers will record absentees each day. If you miss classes for unjustified reasons, your parents will be contacted, and you will have detention.

#### **Classroom cleanliness**

Students are responsible for cleaning their desk and table after classes. Students are also expected to sort plastic, cans and paper containers and throw them away in the appropriate recycle bin.

#### Computers and communication devices in school

Students are free to use school computers outside classroom time. Students will not be allowed to use their phone/tablet/computer during class. At the beginning of each class period, you will be required to leave your phone (turned-off) at the table near the entrance of the classroom. The teacher will return your phone at the end of the class. Edu-Inter strongly recommends limiting the use of communication technologies to the absolute minimum in order to maximize learning and cultural adaptation.

#### Fighting/violence/bullying

Edu-inter has a zero-tolerance policy for fighting or any form of violence. Any participant involved in fighting or acts of violence, whether on school property or anywhere else, will be expelled immediately.

#### **General conditions**

Edu-inter will not be held responsible whatsoever for any loss or damage to the personal belongings or property of a student participant or for any injury to or death of a student occurring on or off school property.

Students must comply with the policies and procedures. Failure to comply with the rules may result in dismissal.

#### Violation of the law

If a student violates a criminal law, or is arrested and prosecuted, or if we receive reliable information that a student has been arrested and prosecuted, the student will be immediately returned to its country of origin as legally possible. Students must obey all Canadian laws. Students are not allowed to return to their country of origin during the program and still be considered a participant of the program, unless already agreed with Edu-inter. The student is allowed to leave the program only in case of death or serious illness in the family or other emergencies accepted by Edu-inter.



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#### Money

Students are responsible for their personal purchases (clothing, entertainment, transportation, etc.). Each student is responsible for his own money. Edu-Inter is not responsible for lost or stolen money. It is also forbidden by the Edu-Inter student to deposit money in the bank account of the host family. A student must not borrow or lend money to a member of their host family.

#### Culture of the host country

Observe and try to adapt to the lifestyle of your host country. The customs vary from one country to another. You are in a foreign country, and it is up to you to adjust to the lifestyle of the family and the host country, not the opposite.

#### **Extension of stay**

Extension of stay is possible. It is only possible when the request is done before every Wednesday for the following week. Fees apply.

#### **Program extension**

All program extension requests have to be made to one of the Edu-inter employees no later than the Thursday (12:00 p.m.) preceding the end of the initial program. This extension is conditional on the constraints of the company (place in accommodation, classroom, etc.). Payment must be made no later than the Friday prior to class entry. If payment is not made on time, the student will not be able to enter the course. Three payment methods are offered: cash, Interac e-Transfer and Mastercard/Visa credit cards.

#### Program change

Any change of program is strongly discouraged due to the strong logistical impact it creates.

An administrative fee of \$225 CAD will be charged for any change of program occurring during the student's stay. In the event of switching to another program, the difference in fees for the new program is added if it is more expensive. The change is conditional on availability in the new program chosen.

The change must be requested between Monday and Wednesday noon at the latest for a changeover the following Monday.



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### **Academic orientation**

#### Assessment and placement methods

An oral placement evaluation is administered individually and is applied by the academic director or an assigned professor upon student's arrival at school.

#### **Course structure and levels**

Edu-inter uses a communicative and active approach. The instruction program determined by the Common European Framework of Reference for the French language is divided in four main categories: Beginner, Basic, Intermediate, and advanced levels. These are divided into 7 sub-levels of instruction: Level A.1.0 (true beginner), Level A1.1, Level A1.2, Level A2.1, Level A2.2, Level B1 and Level B2.

| Level A1: Breakthrough or beginner      | Can understand and use familiar and everyday expressions and very basic phrases.                                                                                            |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Level A2: Elementary or survival level  | Can communicate in simple and routine tasks requiring a simple and direct exchange of information on familiar and routine matters.                                          |
| Level B1: Threshold or intermediate     | Can understand the main points of clear standard input on familiar matters regularly and produce simple connected text on topics that are familiar or of personal interest. |
| Level B2: Independent or advanced level | Can understand the main ideas of complex text on both concrete and abstract topics and interact with a degree of fluency and spontaneity                                    |

#### Course description and objectives

Our professors use a communicative approach. The student is the axis to the learning process and will be able to communicate in French in everyday situations. Grammar is taught inductively, and the support materials are authentic and current. Learning objectives are based on the Common European Framework of Reference for the French language.



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#### **Evaluation criteria**

Evaluation criteria include language usage, working method and behavior in class. In addition, a student must have attained the language abilities corresponding to the level of studies as well as the expertise in oral communication, comprehension, reading, conversation, and written communication, including knowledge of grammar, phonetics, and vocabulary.

Any change of French level and class will be based on oral skills, active participation, and positive attitude in class.

#### Requirements to obtain certificates or diplomas

A certificate is issued at the end of each study period, taking the following requirements into account: participation, progress, frequency of oral input in class, punctuality, and attendance, written and oral test results and motivation.



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### **Accommodation information**

- Accept the rules of the host family. Each host family has its own regulations and recommendations concerning the student. It is imperative that each student makes an effort to understand them upon arrival. Each student must be respectful towards his host family. The student must understand and apply the rules of the host family as to household assistance, in helping with dishes, respect the hours of curfew, use of telephone, computer, etc. It is the student's responsibility to provide all necessary information to the host family when planning a special activity. You are not allowed to spend a night in a different homestay or place than your host family.
- In order to live a complete French immersion program, it is not recommended for the student to keep regular contact with other students from the same country or the same language (Phone, email, etc.). That would interfere/undermine his new language learning as well as his integration in the local community or at school.
- 3. The use of the washing machine and the dryer is allowed once a week. Family reserves the right to wash your clothes or to have you do it yourself.
- 4. If a trip of more than one night is planned with the host family, Edu-Inter should be informed by the student and receive a phone number to reach students in case of emergency.
- 5. If a relative or a friend of the student plans on visiting or picking-up the student, Edu-Inter needs to be notified. Please take note that the host family is not required to offer accommodation to that person.
- 6. Respect the families of Edu-Inter. Remember to keep your room clean and try not to leave your belongings around unnecessarily. Do not forget to reimburse the family if your stay includes additional expenses, excluding meals and accommodation. Observe the habits of family members and do not use, for example, the bathroom too long in the morning. Ask for permission to call. Remember to give your host family the planning of your group activities so that they are aware of your schedule. If you select accommodation on campus, stay polite and courteous to the employees of these structures.
- 7. Respect the house or residence. If you damage something in your accommodation, you will be held responsible for some type of compensation.
- 8. Changing family. This summer, due to the situation with the pandemic, changes of families are not possible. In case of high difficulties, you will be offered a place in residence Laval.
- 9. Families are committed to providing balanced, varied, and complete meals in accordance with your meal plan. If there is something that you really don't like to eat, please tell it to your host family.



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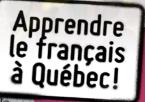
- The snacks are included with moderation.
- The host family will provide you with breakfast options that you need to prepare by yourself.

- Respect mealtimes. You should always contact the host family if you are to be late for a meal, for example.

10. You will receive a questionnaire concerning your host family on Wednesday. If you have any comments regarding your host family (meals, accommodation, etc.), it will be the time to let us know.

# The team at Edu-inter hopes that you will have a wonderful experience!





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