

MPS SUMMER PROGRAMS

High School Credit and English as a Second Language (ESL)





Summer Programs at MPS

Our four-week High School Credit Summer Program and English as a Second Language (ESL) Summer Program take a rigorous and broad approach to teaching the Ontario Ministry of Education academic credit courses and English language skills.

In both programs, students improve their academic standing through five (5) to six (6) hours of daily instruction while experiencing Canadian culture, and improving their leadership and social skills. This stimulating academic and social environment engages students in exciting activities and excursions to national and provincial historical and modern attractions while providing them an opportunity to make life-long friends from around the world.

Beautiful Scenery







Academic Results

Students complete the program with significantly stronger English language skills, study habits and organizational skills resulting in better academic performance.



Structured Schedule

Our robust and rigourous curriculum delivered by professional teachers ensures student's success.



All-Inclusive Program

Accommodation, meals, transportation, all activities and excursions, and insurance is included.



Central Location

The safe, quiet, beautiful, and historic village of Merrickville is ideally situated between Ottawa, Toronto, and Montreal. Students have the opportunity to experience the best of the great Canadian outdoors, as well as some of Canada's most vibrant cities. The nation's capital of Ottawa is only 45 minutes away!



Certified and Specialized Teachers

MPS teachers are licensed and certified professional teachers in the province of Ontario and are in good standing with the Ontario Federation of Teachers and the Ontario College of Teachers. Our teachers have specialized training and certification as English as a Second Language (ESL) specialists recognized by the Ontario Ministry of Education.

Summer Program Offerings

High School Credit Summer Program 4 WEEKS

Our High School Credit Summer Program assists students who:

- Have completed grade 10 and want to start earning grade 11 credits.
- Have completed grade 11 and want to gain extra grade 11 credits in a new course.
- Want to retake a grade 11 credit they have already completed in order to improve their understanding and their mark.

The grade 11 courses offered are certified by the Ontario Ministry of Education and adhere to the Ontario curriculum, culminating in the internationally renowned Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD). The following courses are offered:

- English (ENG3U) grade 11, University Preparation (compulsory credit course)
- Functions Mathematics (MCR3U) grade 11, University Preparation (compulsory credit course)
- Dramatic Arts (ADA3M) grade 11, University/College Preparation (elective credit course)
- Ontario Secondary School Literacy Course (OLC40), grade 11/12, (compulsory credit course for students who did not pass the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT))

Note: Courses are subject to change based on student interest and demand.

Our teachers are certified and registered teachers in Ontario and have specialized training in English as a second language. Our High School Credit Summer Program combines six (6) hours of rigourous academic instruction daily, combined with fun activities and excursions. Students are given homework, quizzes, tests, assignments and other forms of assessments and evaluation, including a final examination.

English as a Second Language (ESL) Summer Program 4 WEEKS

Merrick Preparatory School's English as a Second Language (ESL) Summer Program assists students in their English language acquisition through five (5) hours of daily instruction in an engaging and positive environment. All in-class instruction combines the Ontario Ministry of Education curricular components of English, science and social science in a rigourous academic environment with a focus on English language skills. Students apply their classroom learning through their participation in a variety of exciting extra-curricular activities. Through these activities students not only develop strong English language skills, but also leadership and social skills, cultural awareness, and digital media skills. Our teachers are certified and registered teachers in Ontario and have specialized training in English as a second language. This program is open to students aged 12 to 15.





Sample of Activities Offered

ACTIVITIES

Board Games

Camp Fire (songs/snacks)

Canoeing

Capture the Flag

Go-Karting

Horticulture

Laser Tag

Movie Night in the Park

Nature Hikes

River Cruise

Rock Climbing

Spelunking (cave exploration)

Talent Night

Team Building Activities

Water Parks (indoor/outdoor)

Zip-Lining Aerial Adventure

RECREATIONAL SPORTS

American Football

Badminton

Baseball

Basketball

Soccer

Swimming

Track and Field

Volleyball

EXCURSIONS

Parliament Buildings

Rideau Canal UNESCO World

Heritage Site

Gatineau Park

National Museums

Upper Canada Village

Murphy's Point Provincial Park

Gymnastics

Shopping

Sandbanks Provincial Park

Queen's University Biological

Research Station

Fort Henry Museum and

Historical Site

La Ronde

Parc Omega

Mont Cascades

Aquatarium

Montreal's Biodome

Saunders Farm

Gibbons Maple Syrup

Ottawa River Rafting

Note: In both the ESL Summer Program and High School Credit Summer Program sample schedules (next page), the Sports/Activity and Activity time slots will involve a variety of programs tailored to suit the interests and learning needs of our students. They may include but are not limited to these samples of activities offered. For additional information including dates and fees, please refer to the Summer Programs Handbook on our website merrickprep.com.





Multicultural Environment

Students make friends and learn about customs from around the world, and have an opportunity to engage with members of the Merrickville community.



Intensive English Immersion

Students continuously and actively engage in the English language through classroom instruction and extracurricular activities allowing them to quickly acquire strong English language skills.



Above Industry-Standard Rooms

Large bedrooms, up to 39 square metres, with queen or double-sized beds, four-piece ensuite bathrooms and lots of study space in our beautifully appointed air-conditioned rooms make for a perfect stay!



Safe, Friendly, Family Environment with 24-hour Supervision

Students develop strong personal relationships with their peers and the staff. Known for its beauty and small-town friendly feel, students are warmly welcomed not only at the school, but by the entire village of Merrickville. It is a safe, clean and fun place to learn.



Medical Insurance

All students are covered with Student Guard Medical Insurance. This insurance is included in the program fee.

English as a Second Language one-week sample schedule

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | Sunday |
|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------|-----------------------|
| 8:30am- 9:00am | Breakfast | Breakfast | Breakfast | Breakfast | Breakfast | Breakfast | Breakfast |
| 9:00am- 11:30am | ESL Class 1 and 2 | ESL Class 1 and 2 | | ESL Class 1 and 2 | ESL Class 1 and 2 | | |
| 11:30am- 12:00pm | Free Time | Free Time | | Free Time | Free Time | Day Trip | Various Activities |
| 12:00pm- 1:00pm | Lunch | Lunch | | Lunch | Lunch | | |
| 1:00pm- 2:00pm | Sports/ Activity | Sports/ Activity | Day Trip | Sports/ Activity | Sports/ Activity | | |
| 2:00pm- 4:15pm | ESL Class 3 and 4 | ESL Class 3 and 4 | | ESL Class 3 and 4 | ESL Class 3 and 4 | | |
| 4:15pm- 5:00pm | Activity | Activity | | Activity | Activity | | |
| 5:00pm- 5:30pm | Free Time | Free Time | | Free Time | Free Time | | |
| 5:30pm- 6:00pm | Dinner | Dinner | Dinner | Dinner | Dinner | Dinner | Dinner |
| 6:00pm- 7:00pm | Activity | Activity | Activity | Activity | Activity | Activity | Activity |
| 7:00pm- 8:00pm | Evening Study | Evening Study | Evening Study | Evening Study | Board Game | Movie Night | Evening Study |
| 8:00pm- 9:00pm | Activity | Activity | Activity | Activity | Night | | Activity |
| 9:00pm- 10:00pm | Free Time | Free Time | Free Time | Free Time | Free Time | Free Time | Free Time |

Note: Students in the ESL Summer Program participate in various activities in the greater Ottawa area, including popular attractions such as Parliament, the Rideau Canal - a UNESCO World Heritage Site, the world famous Gatineau Park, national museums and provincial parks, in addition to local attractions in Merrickville - voted the prettiest town in Canada. High School Credit Summer Program students will partake in various activities in the village and Ottawa based on time available as the priority is given to successful completion of credit course work.

High School Credit one-week sample schedule

| | Monday- Thursday | Friday | Saturday | Sunday | |
|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------|-----------------------|--|
| 8:30am- 9:00am | Breakfast | Breakfast | Breakfast | Breakfast | |
| 9:00am- 12:00pm | Academic Class | Academic Class | | | |
| 12:00pm- 1:00pm | Lunch | Lunch | | Various Activities | |
| 1:00pm- 4:00pm | Academic Class | Academic Class | Day Trip | | |
| 4:15pm- 5:00pm | Activity | Activity | | | |
| 5:00pm- 5:30pm | Free Time | Free Time | | | |
| 5:30pm- 6:00pm | Dinner | Dinner | Dinner | Dinner | |
| 6:00pm- 7:00pm | Activity | Activity | Activity | Activity | |
| 7:00pm- 9:00pm | Evening Study | Board Game Night | Movie Night | Evening Study | |
| 9:00pm- 11:00pm | Free Time | Free Time | Free Time | Free Time | |



Testimonials

Friendly And Professional

"As director of the Colegio La Paz I can say that Merrick Preparatory School is a space with competent teachers and staff, very friendly and professional making the growth of our students a reality. Since our arrival the warmth and friendliness of the Merrick team made it possible for our students to learn in a dynamic, interactive and academic environment. Our students improved their social and communication skills through engaging in the culture, art, politics and literature of this great country."

Oscar Salcido Ruiz
DIRECTOR OF THE COLEGIO LA PAZ,
MEXICO

Consider It Unbeatable

"There are so many good things in this summer program, and all the students had not only built up their English skills through all kinds of activities, but were also cultivated with a lot of cross cultural communication abilities that are going to benefit them for their whole life. Upon my observation, the most promising aspect of this excellent summer program is the devotion of the teaching staff who actually created a very strong sense of community support among all the children with their caring love and professional knowledge. The students learned so much through a variety of athletic and academic activities, such as critical thinking, mutual respect, problem-solving strategies, autonomy, leadership and teamwork skills, etc., which are very essential and crucial for these young people to survive and blossom in the future globalized world.

I will definitely bring more students to this summer program next year and the years going on as I consider it unbeatable in terms of active learning and motivated engagement."

Maggie Ying
EDUCATIONAL CONSULTANT, CHINA





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