West Kootenay International Program British Columbia, Canada



International Education + Global Learning = Student Success for All

"Education gives us the chance to understand that we are all tied together as citizens of the global community, and that our challenges are interconnected."

—Ban Ki-moon, UN Secretary-General

International Program Introductions





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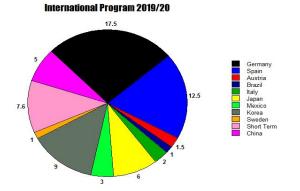
History of International Education in SD8



- Almost 23 years
- Welcome students from 16 different nations
- Mostly from the European countries
- Long term students
- +12 years old
- Kootenays Market Position= Truly Canadian









Benefits of International Students



- Local Students Importance of intercultural knowledge
- Local Families and Students authentic Global Friendships
- Courses and Collaboration opportunities
- Exchange school opportunities
- Financial contribution into the community

Please note: all photos were taken pre-COVID



Homestays Needed





- Welcoming an International family member
- \$900/month (tax-free)
- Staff support
- Required care, bedroom, meals and snacks

Questions?









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