

The following information is designed to support new students as they prepare to travel to Residence for the first time - (and it's also a good thing to look through as a returning student too). Below you will find everything you need to know for preparing, packing, travel, and arrival. In addition, you should read through the Residence Student Handbook, and our staff will make sure to go through that handbook carefully with students upon arrival as well. If you have any questions, you can always reach out to our [enrolment team](#) for support. We are looking forward to welcoming you to NCC soon!

Clothing and Parcels

Be aware of the need to have some warmer clothes such as boots, sweaters, and a heavy coat for our winter season. These may, of course, be purchased after you arrive in Canada.

You may wish to send parcels addressed to yourself at NCC prior to your arrival. To do so, just be sure that your name and our address are written clearly on the parcel. **Please note on the package that the enclosed items are used and personal belongings. Do not itemize the contents.** This will simplify issues with customs here in Canada. Also, be sure that there is adequate postage and that the package is securely tied or sealed. The sooner you send these parcels to NCC, the better chance they will be here by the time you arrive.

Money and Valuables

Before coming to Canada, you should obtain a limited amount of Canadian or American currency. Once you have arrived at NCC you should note that sums of money greater than \$50 should not be kept in your residence room. Please use the student banking service provided by the NCC office. Most students also choose to open an account at the local bank where the school's accounts are held. In September we will arrange to take all new students to the bank to open new accounts and orient you to their services. There is an ATM located on campus, which also accepts most international cards.

Your passport, visa, and other important papers will be kept by the Residence Director in the residence safe. This will prevent loss or damage, and still provides easy access.

In order to better serve our students we ask that a **credit card number** be filed in the office for necessary purchases. This information will be kept in our school safe and used only for parent-authorized purchases such as textbooks, uniforms, school trips, etc.

Residence Rooms

Each residence room contains a bed with a mattress (twin size), a desk, closet, dresser, garbage can and desk chair for each student. Below are lists of items to bring and not to bring when coming to NCC. Many of these items can be purchased upon arrival in Canada. There will be an opportunity during the first weekends on campus for students to shop for items that they need as well as Walmart trips 2-3 times a week throughout the school year.

What to Bring (or purchase when in Canada)	What NOT to bring
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Reusable/Disposable Masks and Hand Sanitizer● Laptop or tablet● Twin size bed sheets (2 sets) and pillow cases (2)● Warm blanket● Pillow● Towels and Face Cloths● Personal hygiene items (shampoo, toothpaste, soap, etc.)● Clothes Hangers● Small desk lamp (bulbs should not exceed 60 watts).● Alarm clock● Warm coat and warm clothes● Laundry baskets and laundry detergent● If desired, students are allowed to use electric razors, water kettles with auto shut-off, hair-styling irons, and stereos in student rooms and are permitted to use rice cookers and fryers in the lounge or kitchen areas. Cooking items must be stored in the lounge or kitchen areas for residence students, not in residence rooms.● School supplies such as pens, pencils, binders, paper, etc. can be purchased at stores in the Fort Erie area. NCC will provide assistance in purchasing school uniforms, textbooks and Physical Education uniforms during Orientation sessions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Televisions● Microwaves● Pets● Candles or incense● Matches or lighters● Weapons (knives, slingshots, paintball guns, etc.) (actual or replica)● Cooking appliances with external heating (hot plates, frying pans, grills, etc.)● Banned substances (alcohol, drugs, vaping substances or devices etc.)

Each student should expect to have a roommate, and each student is responsible to keep his or her room clean and neat. This means keeping clothes in closets or dressers and vacuuming regularly. Students should not bring excessive amounts of personal items as they may cause clutter and distract from a positive study environment. All residence students will take responsibility in keeping hallways, common rooms, and washrooms tidy.

Residence Facilities

There are coin-operated laundry facilities located in each residence. Irons and ironing boards are also available. Lounges in all residences are equipped with couches, televisions, microwaves, and refrigerators.

A student recreation centre (The Wrec Centre) provides many social and recreational opportunities for students. The Wrec Centre is centrally located between the two main residences, only steps away from their front entrances. The Wrec Centre includes: billiards, table tennis, a TV, comfortable couches and chairs, and wireless internet access, as well as a snack bar for purchasing items during most evenings.

Students can also access wireless internet in their rooms and across most of our campus. Students will have access to NCC's wireless internet service until 11:30 pm on school nights to support good study and sleep habits.

Behaviour

Students are expected to develop a respect for themselves, for others. Complete rules of the school will be explained in detail during orientation with emphasis on positive actions and attitude. Incidents involving violence, alcohol, or drugs will result in an immediate suspension or expulsion from school, fines, and possible police involvement. Current law in Ontario states that it is illegal to smoke on any school grounds and NCC strongly discourages smoking. In the event that a student is asked to leave NCC, there will be no refunds administered. Please ensure that you have carefully read the NCC Residence Student Handbook before arrival to ensure a clear understanding of NCC's Code of Conduct.

Transportation and Travel

(For September, 2020/2021, travel off campus will be restricted for residence students until it is deemed safe to do so again. See the following information as a reference for NCC's typical approach to travel.)

Students can leave the NCC campus only with permission from a residence staff member. If permission is granted, students must sign out of the school providing information on the destination, the length of the trip, and how they can be contacted.

If a student plans on being away overnight, NCC Residence staff must receive communication granting permission from parents **at least 2 days in advance**. Parents may phone or e-mail a note of permission to the Residence Director. Students will not be granted approval for overnight trips without parental permission.

Niagara Airbus transportation is available for students going to and from the airport during holidays. Reservations can be made online at niagaraairbus.com with a credit card.

NCC will cover the cost of transportation from the airport to campus for all new students. Subsequent trips must be paid for by the student. Residence staff are available to assist in the booking process.

Contact Information

Before September 1, parents and students can contact enrol@niagaracc.com with questions, and, after September 1, parents are encouraged to contact the Residence Directors with any residential questions or issues involving residential students. Residence Director email addresses and phone numbers are below:

Boys' Residence Director - Luc VanNatter
Email - lucv@niagaracc.com
Cell - (289) 219-3385

Girls' Residence Director - Kristi Robins
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