



Travel and Arrival Protocol – Summer 2022

Students in Summer Programs Staying for School Year

Our first priority remains the health and safety of our students, host families and school communities. It is important to note that Canadian educational institutions must follow the regulations and recommendations of various authorities, including the government of Canada, provincial and local public health authorities. The recommendations are subject to change.

Fortunately, travel has become more simple in the past few months. However, there are still COVID related requirements and cautions to be aware of, as well as some considerations at Customs and Immigration for those arriving in July.

Please read the information in this booklet carefully.

Whenever possible, the Vancouver airport should be the first port of entry into Canada for students. If a transfer in Canada is necessary, please ensure there is AT LEAST 4 hours to complete the transfer.

Currently, due to quarantine and health related considerations, all students arriving AND any adults with whom they are travelling are required to have at least two doses of one of the following COVID vaccines.

- AstraZeneca/COVISHIELD (ChAdOx1-S, Vaxzevria, AZD1222)
- Bharat Biotech (Covaxin, BBV152 A, B, C)
- Moderna (Spikevax, mRNA-1273)
- Novavax (NVX-COV2373, Nuvaxovid, Covovax)
- Medicigo Covifenz
- Pfizer-BioNTech (Comirnaty, tozinameran, BNT162b2)
- Sinopharm BIBP (BBIBP-CorV)

- Sinovac (CoronaVac, PiCoVacc)
- or a single dose of the Johnson & Johnson (Janssen) vaccine

Currently, other vaccines are not acceptable. It is also not accepted to have one dose of the vaccine and proof of recovery.

Full vaccination must be complete at least 14 days prior to entering Canada and can be from a combination of accepted vaccines (e.g. first dose Pfizer, second dose Moderna).

Provided other conditions are met, travellers who have received these vaccines are exempt from departure testing and quarantine.

The Government of Canada has TEMPORARILY suspended random arrival testing of vaccinated individuals until June 30th, 2022. Random testing upon arrival MAY be reinstated at the beginning of July.

Please also go to the official website that explains the process for vaccinated travelers to enter Canada. It is important to be familiar not just with the information in this package but current official instructions at the time of your travel.

[Current Travel Information from the Government of Canada](#)

Please note that in not following these protocols, students may be denied entry into the country, or may be dismissed from the program with no refund. Government authorities may also fine students for non-compliance in certain situations.

For Action – Please make sure you fill out the form at the back of the package and return it to skang@GoDelta.ca by June 30th, 2022.

Students should download What's App to their phones and other devices either before arriving or immediately upon arrival for communication purposes. Secondary students will receive instructions on how to log into their Delta Learns account and are expected to check emails frequently through their time here in Delta.

Pre-Departure

Communication and Relationship Building Between Homestay and Natural Families (if staying in Homestay)

- Have a Zoom or Skype meeting to get to know one another
- Share how you have been living during the COVID-19 experience and the precautions being taken, as well as your hopes moving forward
- Exchange emails and cell phone numbers and program into phones
- Confirm arrival and airport pick-up plans
- Build relationships and trust between the families
- **Please download What's App before you arrive and ask your host family to do the same.**

Consider Pre-Purchasing a Canadian cell phone plan and SIM card

- all high school students are required to have a Canadian cell phone number for safety reasons
- One option is to get a Canadian cell number and plan before you come to Canada. A SIM card can be delivered to your home!
- <https://try.gophonebox.com/newarrivals/>
- The other option is that homestays will take the student and help them with this shortly after arrival

Keeping Health Risks Low

- In the lead-up to your departure, keep your social circles minimal, wear a mask, do not go to any large parties or events, etc. We want you to be COVID free when you travel, and be able to travel as planned and scheduled.

Medical Check / Testing

- There is currently no pre-departure testing required for fully vaccinated travellers

Proof of COVID Vaccination

- You must bring with you **official** proof of vaccination that shows the following information
 - o Your name and date of birth
 - o Details of your first dose (date, country and vaccine name)
 - o Details of your second dose (date, country and vaccine name)
 - o This document must be in English or French or be translated by a certified translator and stamped accordingly with their credentials
- We recommend that you have BOTH a digital and paper copy. You must have these copies with you throughout your stay here in Canada
- Once here, we will also help you get your Canada Proof of Vaccination

Completing Arrival Plans

- Download and complete the ArriveCAN App (available for iPhone and Android).
 - You must fill in this APP before departing. However, do not download and complete the app more than 72 hours before departure.
 - You will need to upload your vaccination records to the app
- Please also make sure you have handy your Homestay address and contact information
- Please follow these directions in filling out the ArriveCAN App – [click HERE!](#)

Failure to correctly fill in the app or upload documents according to the instructions MAY mean that you will have to quarantine.

If you have had a third dose of a COVID vaccine, please also bring that information with you.

Pre-Register for your Arrival COVID Test (REALLY IMPORTANT)

- Expect that you will be asked to have a COVID test upon arrival (unless you have recently recovered from COVID and have the proper documentation to prove this)
- [Pre-register for your Arrival test HERE](#)
- Your arrival COVID test will be issued at your first entry point in Canada, so book appropriately
- Please use the same email address as on your ArriveCAN app
- There is no charge for this test
- If you are not selected for testing at the airport, you can cancel your appointment

Packing

All secondary school students need to have a cell phone and a laptop when coming to Canada for the 2021-2022 school year.

Please bring the following COVID related supplies -

- Masks – 30 disposable masks
- One large bottle of quality hand sanitizer
- Box of Nitrile gloves
- Thermometer
- A minimum of 5 COVID tests

It is important that masks are of good quality and fit properly. If you have some, N95 (FFP2) masks are the best, followed by medical grade masks and then multi-layer cloth masks should they fit properly. Consider double-masking if you do not have N95 masks.

[Tips for Making Sure Masks Fit Properly](#)

Students should also, in their carry-on luggage, have at least 2 masks, a travel sized bottle of hand-sanitizer (100 milliliters or less) and some disinfecting wipes.

Please also make sure you have the following documents packed in your carry-on luggage in clear folders. Students should make sure they have both paper copies of all documents AND digital back-ups.

- Passport
- Letter of Acceptance
- Custodianship documents
- Study permit or permit confirmation document (Letter of Invitation) if you are staying for more than 5 months
- Homestay profile and contact information
- Pick-Up and Contact information sheet for our staff
- Records of all COVID vaccinations
- Copy of this document, signed by yourself and your parents

Please also bring a change of clothes and travel appropriate snacks.

If you have recently received a new passport, please bring both the old AND new documents with you.

Airport and Flight

Do NOT board your flight if ...

- You have any COVID-19 symptoms, even if they are mild
- Are supposed to be quarantining or isolating
- Have tested positive or had symptoms of COVID in the last 10 days
- Are waiting for the results of a COVID-19 test
- Have recently been in close contact with someone who has or is suspected of having COVID 19

For more travel advice, please click [HERE!](#)

Wear a Mask

- Wear a good quality, well-fitted mask (or double mask) in the airport at all times. Masks are mandatory on flights as well as in the Vancouver Airport.

Wash hands frequently and avoid touching your face

Practice Physical Distancing

- Be aware of your surroundings
- Avoid busy areas of the airport
- Avoid unnecessary movement within the airport – go to your gate and stay in one place
- If they are open, avoid restaurants and food kiosks

Use hand sanitizer when necessary

- If you are unable to wash your hands regularly at the airport or during your flight, please use hand-sanitizer, especially if you touch anything on the plane and before you eat.

Sanitize your personal space and high touch areas

- Before sitting down on the airplane, wipe down your seat area, including armrests, seatbelt buckle, eating tray, touch screens and remote controls, etc. with a good quality disinfecting wipe.

Minimize trips to the washroom

- Of course, use the washroom as needed, but avoid moving around the plane if not necessary. When using the washroom make sure to flush the toilet with the seat down and wash your hands thoroughly afterwards. Avoid opening the door with your bare hand after washing your hands.

Touch as few surfaces as possible

- Keep your hands to yourself.
- Avoid touching surfaces unnecessarily in the airport. When that is unavoidable (checking in, going through security, etc.) wash your hands thoroughly immediately after.

Keep your cell phone charged

- You will need your cell phone to contact your homestay family or the person who is picking you up when you arrive. Please make sure that it is charged throughout the flight.
- If you are using your phone throughout the flight to watch movies or play games, please wipe it down with a disinfecting wipe frequently.

Bring a refillable water bottle with you.

If you need help at the Airport go to the Information desk or look for volunteers who can help you.

Arrival at Vancouver Airport

Upon arrival in Canada proceed through the airport while maintaining physical distancing (2m away from other people) and wearing a mask.

Have the documents outlined under 'Packing' ready to provide to Canada Border Services. Border Services prefers these documents in paper form. Do have a digital back up, however, just in case.

Students will also be required to undergo a screening by a border services or quarantine officer to assess for COVID symptoms.

Wear a fresh mask

- You should be wearing a mask throughout your flight
- When you arrive, please dispose of that mask, thoroughly wash your hands and put on a new mask. Consider double-masking
- Avoid touching surfaces in the airport, and when you do, immediately wash your hands
- You will keep your mask on until you arrive in your homestay or place where you will be living

Text your host family/person who is picking you up

- Once you have left the plane, immediately text/what's app your homestay to let them know you have arrived and that you are off the plane
- Text/What's App them again when you have picked up your luggage

Be prepared to answer questions from Border Services agents

- Have print outs or screenshots of your plans and documents
- Have any confirmation numbers
- Know the name and address of your host family (bring your homestay profile)
- Bring any documents provided to you by the school district (including this document)
- Know the name of the person who is picking you up and how you are getting to your homestay or where you are staying
- Be able to show the ArriveCAN App confirmation code on your phone (with your name visible on it)

Canada Border Services will review the documentation of a fully vaccinated student (including what has been entered on the ArriveCAN app) and determine whether the documentation meets the necessary requirements to be exempt from 14 day quarantine.

The Canada Border Services agent will make the final determination. If you are asked to quarantine, please contact our staff immediately.

Proceed through immigration and baggage pick up while maintaining physical distancing

- Don't rush. Take your time and keep plenty of space between you and others.
- If you are a new student who has a study permit approval letter, **PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU GET YOUR LUGGAGE AND THEN PICK UP YOUR STUDENT PERMIT BEFORE EXITING THE ARRIVALS HALL.**
- Message your host family when you have your luggage and again when you have picked up your Study Permit

Take your COVID test

- You MAY be asked to do a COVID test at the airport. Please book this in advance. If asked, please DO NOT do a take home test. You will be contacted approximately 2-3 days after the test with the results.
- You do not have to isolate waiting for the result (unless you have been told to Quarantine). Simply monitor yourself for symptoms and track where you go and who you are in contact with for 14 days after arrival.
- For those transferring planes within Canada, the test will be issued at your first point of arrival in Canada. In this case it may be a take home test that you will complete upon arrival. If you have questions about completing this test, contact the test provider.

The processing order is ...

- 1) Canada Border Services
- 2) Luggage Pick Up
- 3) Study Permit
- 4) COVID test (if instructed to do so)

If in our homestay program, please meet your host family INSIDE the airport arrivals zone. Do not exit the airport without connecting with your host family. If you cannot find them, please ask a volunteer for help.

Load your own luggage into the car and sit as far away from the driver as possible

- Although your host family will be excited to greet you, please be cautious in your first few days in Canada
- Your host family may not be comfortable hugging you or shaking your hand at first. Do not take offense!

Students may be asked to wear a mask in the car and even in areas of the home for the first few days. Please carefully monitor yourself for symptoms. If you have any COVID symptoms, please let your host family know and do not attend camp.

Attending Summer Programs

Location and Schedule

South End programs will be at Delta Secondary School and North End programs will be at North Delta Secondary School. If you do not remember what courses you are taking or what time they are at, please contact Mr. Eichorn (if you are attending Burnsvew, Sands, Delview, Seaquam or North Delta in the fall) or Ms. George (if you are attending South Delta or Delta Secondary in the fall).

deichorn@GoDelta.ca

cgeorge@GoDelta.ca

You will need to purchase school supplies. Please go on the first day with a binder, paper, pens and pencils and a calculator if you are in math class. Please ask your teacher what other supplies will be required.

First Day

Please arrive on the first day at 8:15 (if you have a morning class) and look for your name on the class lists. We will have our staff at the school locations as well to help you find your way.

Food

If you have classes all day, there are not food services at the schools and students cannot leave school grounds during lunch time. Please make sure you bring your lunch. Your host family will help you with this.

Please make sure you ALSO bring any forks, spoons, chopsticks, etc. required to eat your lunch.

COVID Precautions

Please do not attend class if not feeling well. Have your host family contact Ms Karen or Mr Gibson if you aren't well.

You may wear a mask, but it is not required.

We will provide you with hand sanitizer at school and the custodial staff will engage in enhanced cleaning practices through the program.

Be aware of and follow the current Public Health Orders and Recommendations –
[Click Here](#)

August

When academic summer programs are over, students are required either to be enrolled in our summer English program. There are a few of you who will be serving as volunteers for this program instead.

More information will be shared with you in late July. Please remember to check your Delta Learns account.

If a Student or Family Member Develops Symptoms or is Diagnosed with COVID-19

If anyone in a household is experiencing even mild symptoms including fever, chills, cough, shortness of breath, loss of sense of smell, headache, muscle ache, fatigue or loss of appetite they should inform the host family and our program AND

- Complete the self-assessment tool - <https://bc.thrive.health/covid19/en>
- Follow the directions outlined on the self-assessment tool or by the nurses on 8-1-1
- Do a rapid test
- Follow the directions of the Public Health Authority
- Currently, those who are COVID positive must self-isolate for 5 days

More Resources

Please have a look at all of the embedded resources in this document (indicated by the blue text). For further reading on preparation for contact with and care for individuals exposed to COVID- 19, please refer to the following:

- Tips for cleaning and disinfecting, including garbage collection and laundry procedures - <http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19/prevention-risks/cleaning-and-disinfecting>
- British Columbia Public Health Orders and Recommendations - <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/emergency-preparedness-response-recovery/covid-19-provincial-support/restrictions>
- Tips for proper hand washing - <http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19/prevention-risks/hand-washing>

Student and Natural Parent Pre-Departure Declaration

Please complete this portion of the form and email to skang@GoDelta.ca by June 30th, 2022.

Each of the undersigned fully understands these Protocols and agrees to all of its requirements. Parents and students certify that they meet the requirements to be considered fully vaccinated in Canada and agree not to attend programming if feeling ill. Should students have to Quarantine or Isolate for any reason while in Delta, all parties agree to follow local, provincial and federal regulations and requirements and understand that there is no refund of any fees. Students understand that any violation of the terms of any expectations will result in immediate removal from the Homestay Program. Custodianship services will be cancelled and the student will have to return to the care of their natural parent(s) or an alternative custodian as legally authorized through a document notarized in Canada and in the home country of the student. If this is not feasible, students will be dismissed from the program and will return to their home country. The undersigned fully understands that exemption from Quarantine for fully vaccinated students is at the discretion of Canada Border Services, and, if directed to Quarantine, agree to follow Quarantine directives and procedures.

Student Arrival Date _____

Date of first vaccine _____

Date of second vaccine _____

Student Full Name (print)			
Signature		Date	
Full Name			
Signature		Date	
Relationship	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother <input type="checkbox"/> Father <input type="checkbox"/> Legal Guardian <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify):		
Full Name			
Signature		Date	
Relationship	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother <input type="checkbox"/> Father <input type="checkbox"/> Legal Guardian <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify):		

Student Email Address: _____