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INTERNATIONAL AT A GLANCE

- 134 students from 12 countries arrived for semester one
- 5 Danish students enrolled, including 1 from Greenland
- New students participated in program orientations and river rafting in September
- RMISP athletes competed in cross-country running, football, volleyball, soccer, rugby, and swimming
- **Next up:** Learn to Curl (Nov 10–17)
Ski & Snowboard Day (Dec 15)



RMISP students learned to canoe during an overnight trip to Blue Lake Camp



Smooth arrivals with new Calgary Airport pickup option

RMISP welcomed 32 students at Calgary Airport on September 1st and transported them to host family meeting points in Golden, Fernie, and Cranbrook. The Calgary Airport pickup was part of a successful new pilot project to streamline student arrivals.



Overnight at Blue Lake Camp

Students spent a night at Blue Lake Camp in the first overnight trip of the school year (included in program fees). Students slept in cabins, ate their meals in the mess hall, and tried a variety of traditional camp experiences like campfires, high ropes challenges, and canoeing.



Pumpkin carving at David Thompson Secondary School

In-school activities offered to enhance international student experience

New this year, RMISP will be offering in-school activities every month to enhance the international student experience. The monthly activities are designed to share an element of Canadian culture and to build friendships. Homestay Coordinators lead the activities during their regularly-scheduled weekly lunch meetings or after school.

The September activity was a film screening related to National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. In October, RMISP students carved pumpkins for Halloween. A "Buddy Lunch" is scheduled for November, when the international students will be able to invite a Canadian friend to join the international student group for a "meet & greet" and pizza lunch.