



## How many Adventist schools are there in Canada?

For the 2022/2023 school year, we have 39 schools in Canada (in BC, AB, SK, MB, ON, QC, and NS) with a total enrollment of just over 4060 students. We employ approximately 370 educators across Canada including superintendents in six conferences that oversee the conference schools.



## Who can attend Adventist schools?

Anyone who desires a well-rounded, Bible-based, and Christ-centered education is welcome to enroll. You do not have to be a member of an Adventist Church to attend most Adventist schools. Adventist educators in Canada strive to inspire in each student a life of faith, wisdom, and service.



## How big is the Adventist school system worldwide?

The Adventist education system is the second largest parochial school system in the world, second only to the Catholic school system. It operates more than 7,500 schools in nearly 150 countries serving 1.5 million students.



## Is Adventist education accessible online for families who don't live close to a school?

Yes. The SDACC has two online schools: West Coast Adventist School in British Columbia and Prairie Adventist Christian eSchool in Alberta. Both schools provide accredited online Adventist programs taught by Adventist teachers for students from K-12 in partnership with parents/guardians.



## Are Adventist schools accredited?

Yes. Adventist schools in Canada offer programs that are recognized/accredited by the province in which they reside and accredited by the Adventist Accrediting Association. Most are regularly visited by both provincial and denominational accrediting authorities.



## How are Adventist schools different from public schools?

Adventist schools focus on the whole child: spiritual, mental, physical, and social-emotional. Biblical principles permeate every aspect of school life. Schools across NAD strive to enable learners to develop a life of faith in God, and to use their knowledge, skills, and understandings to serve God and humanity.



## How are Adventist schools different from other Christian schools?

While Adventist schools have much in common with other Christian private schools, Adventist schools are the only faith-based schools that teach the fundamental beliefs of the Adventist church. This includes not only Bible doctrine, but also a focus on healthful living and service.



## Does Canada have any boarding academies?

Yes. The SDACC owns and operates one boarding academy in Canada: Kingsway College is a co-ed boarding high school (Grades 9-12) located in Oshawa, Ontario, which has been in existence since 1903. Approximately half of the students live in residence halls on campus.



## How is the North American Division (NAD) involved in Adventist schools in Canada?

The role of the NAD Office of Education is to create a vision for Adventist education and to develop resources that assist educators in implementing that vision. It is directly involved in accreditation visits for Adventist academies and delegates unions and conferences to oversee elementary programs.