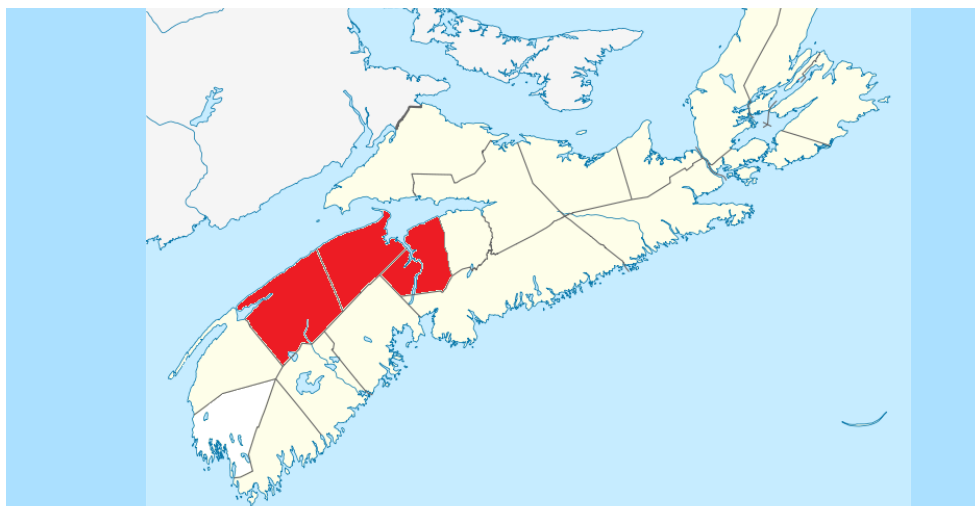


ANNAPOLIS VALLEY REGIONAL CENTRE FOR EDUCATION

NOVA SCOTIA INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM



BOARD FACTS

Population:

APPROX. 32 000

Climate:

FOUR SEASONS

Temperature:

-10°C TO +25°C

Location:

WESTERN
NOVA SCOTIA

Industry:

AGRICULTURE, TOURISM

Airport:

HALIFAX ROBERT L. STANFIELD
INTERNATIONAL (1-2 HOUR DRIVE)

Attractions:

ALPINE SKIING
GOLFING
HOCKEY
SOFTBALL
SWIMMING

The Annapolis Valley Regional Centre for Education stretches two hundred kilometers from the far eastern edge of the municipality of West Hants, through Kings County to the Western edge of Annapolis County. This area is rich in history, cultural diversity, charm and natural beauty.

The board governs 45 schools under the vision of 'working together for students.' There is a strong belief that all educational partners should be respected and that students are the focus. Working together as a team, the parents and staff of the Annapolis Valley Regional School Board strive to provide the best educational programming for students, backed by a common principle of students first.

Every year in the Annapolis Valley, they host the annual Apple Blossom Festival – a celebration of agriculture and heritage. The festival includes barbeques, dances, home-style-cooked meals at community halls, plus the spectacular Apple Blossom parade and concert. It's all about bringing family and friends together to celebrate and it proves to be fun for all.

As with all areas of Nova Scotia, people in the Annapolis Valley are known for their friendly nature and natural ability to make you feel at home...So don't be surprised if strangers start a conversation with you...It is just the warmth of Nova Scotians shining through.

Throughout the year, there are many things to do and see in the Annapolis Valley Regional Centre for Education.

- Attend the many community festivals, including the Annual Pumpkin Regatta.
- Enjoy a day canoeing or kayaking on one of the many rivers or lakes.
- Spend a day on the slopes downhill skiing at 'Ski Martock'.
- Have fun in the winter by skating or watching a hockey game in Windsor, the birthplace of ice hockey.
- Visit New Minas, the soccer capital of Nova Scotia.



Annapolis Valley
Regional Centre for Education

CAPE BRETON VICTORIA REGIONAL CENTRE FOR EDUCATION

NOVA SCOTIA INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM



BOARD FACTS

Population:

52,000

Climate:

FOUR SEASONS

Temperature:

-5°C TO +25°C

Location:

NORTH EASTERN
NOVA SCOTIA

Industry:

AGRICULTURE, TOURISM, COMMERCE

Airport:

HALIFAX ROBERT L. STANFIELD
INTERNATIONAL
(4 HOUR DRIVE)

Attractions:

BEACHES
GOLF
HISTORIC SITES
NATURE PARKS
SPORT CLUBS
THEATRE

Cape Breton Victoria Regional Centre for Education. is located on the north eastern tip of Nova Scotia and serves 56 schools and approximately 18,000 students. Over its 3238 square kilometers, the board hosts international students in communities such as New Waterford, Glace Bay or Sydney.

Cape Breton is one of the most picturesque regions in Nova Scotia with its spectacular beaches, the Highlands and the Cabot Trail—recently voted one of the top ten road trips in the world by 'Lonely Planet' travel guides.

Cape Breton is rich in traditional song, music and dance with many of its entertainers reaching international acclaim. In the summer the community festivals and celebrations feature traditional Cape Breton entertainment making for an exciting, truly Nova Scotian experience.

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Throughout the year, there are many things to do and see in the Cape Breton Victoria Regional Centre for Education.

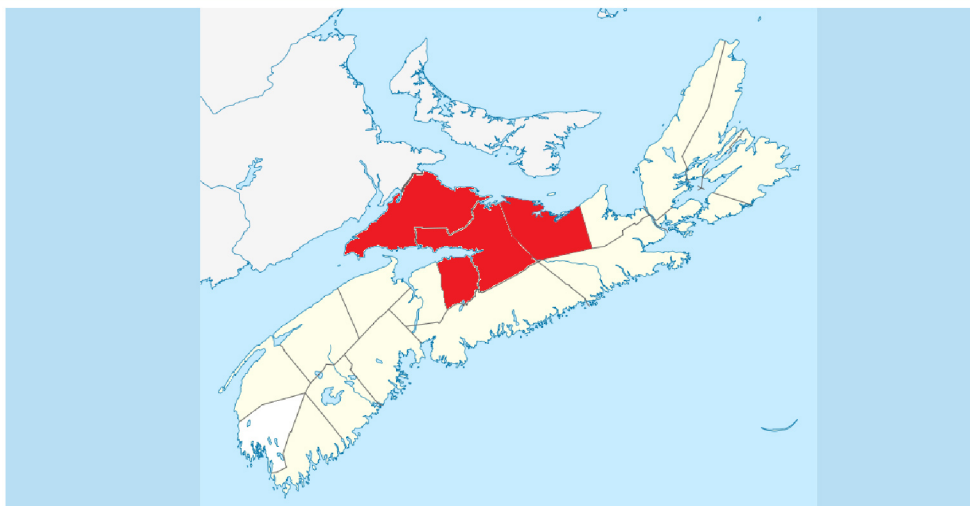
- Attend the many community festivals.
- Enjoy a day of downhill skiing on Cape Smokey.
- Have a relaxing afternoon walking along the waterfront enjoying the many shops and activities.
- Enjoy watching a hockey game or live music show at various venues.
- Spend time with friends at the beach or the park.



Cape Breton-Victoria
Regional Centre for Education

CHIGNECTO-CENTRAL REGIONAL CENTRE FOR EDUCATION

NOVA SCOTIA INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM



BOARD FACTS

Population:

25 000

Climate:

FOUR SEASONS

Temperature:

-10°C TO +30°C

Location:

CENTRAL
NOVA SCOTIA

Industry:

AGRICULTURE, MINING,
MANUFACTURING

Airport:

HALIFAX ROBERT
L. STANFIELD INTERNATIONAL
(30 MINUTE DRIVE)

Attractions:

- CANOEING
- GOLFING
- HOCKEY
- SAILING
- SWIMMING
- RIVER RAFTING

The Chignecto-Central Regional Centre for Education serves four major areas located in central and northern Nova Scotia. The school board is composed of 87 schools and provides education for approximately 25 000 students.

Highlights in Chignecto-Central include the Shubenacadie River which is known for the worlds highest recorded tides. Thousands of tourists visit the area every year to witness the amazing natural phenomenon and experience a unique tidal bore rafting adventure unlike anywhere else in the world.

The towns and communities throughout Chignecto-Central offer plenty of opportunity. You find yourself in an urban centre with all amenities and the biggest high school in Nova Scotia when visiting Truro, however you can also find pristine beauty in rural communities set along the banks of rivers and lakes. Whatever your preference, Chignecto-Central has something for you.

As with all areas of Nova Scotia, people in Chignecto-Central are known for their friendly nature and natural ability to make you feel at home...So don't be surprised if strangers start a conversation with you...It is just the warmth of Nova Scotians shining through.

Throughout the year, there are many things to do and see in the Chignecto-Central Regional Centre for Education.

- Attend community festivals.
- Experience an adrenaline rush tidal bore rafting on the Shubenacadie River.
- Take a tour of Sugar Moon Farm and try some world famous maple syrup.
- Enjoy a day canoeing or kayaking on one of the many rivers or lakes.
- Have fun in the winter by skating or watching a hockey game.
- Relax with an afternoon of golf on one of the local courses.



Chignecto Central
Regional Centre for Education

HALIFAX REGIONAL CENTRE FOR EDUCATION

NOVA SCOTIA INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM



BOARD FACTS

Population:

58,000

Climate:

FOUR SEASONS

Temperature:

5°C TO +25°C

Location:

CENTRAL
NOVA SCOTIA

Industry:

SEA PORT, TOURISM, COMMERCE

Airport:

HALIFAX ROBERT L. STANFIELD
INTERNATIONAL

Attractions:

- BEACHES
- MUSEUMS
- SPORT CLUBS
- THEATRE
- SAILING
- ICE HOCKEY
- SHOPPING

Halifax Regional Centre for Education is located in central Nova Scotia and serves 137 schools and 58,000 students in 13 districts, both rural and urban. Geographically, it is the smallest board in the province but is also the most densely populated. Imagine the vivacity of city living, the charms of small town life and the pristine beauty of nature – all in one place!

Most international students living with the Halifax Regional Centre for Education are often placed with families living outside the downtown core. Host families are situated in various suburbs around the region including Dartmouth, Timberlea, Eastern Passage, Tantallon, Lower Sackville, and Clayton Park. These suburbs offer students the opportunity to experience a more rural lifestyle while still being a short bus ride away from downtown.

Halifax is the capital city of Nova Scotia. It is an exciting, diverse city with the fastest growing economy in Canada. Halifax downtown is a bustling hub of commerce, education, and culture. Halifax is also home to four universities and the main campus to the 13-campus community college system.

Throughout the year, there are many things to do and see in the Halifax Regional Centre for Education.

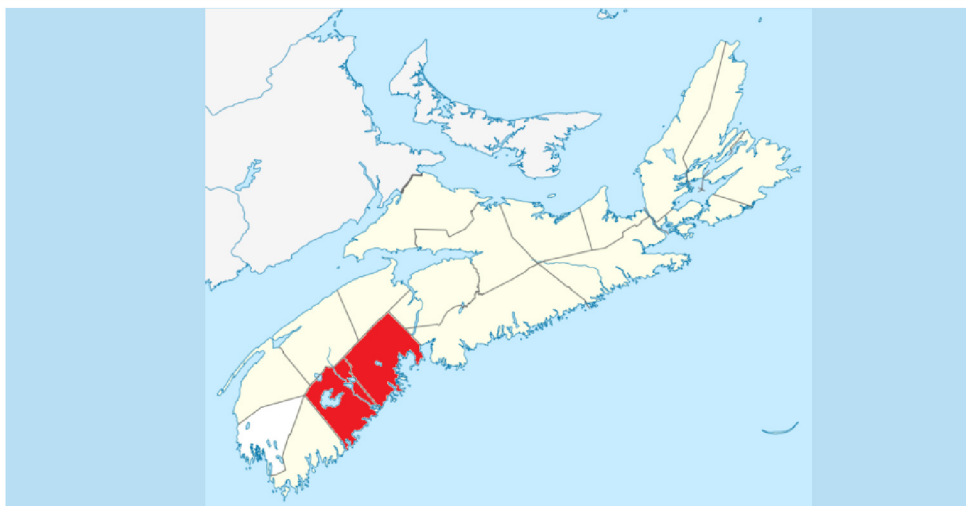
- Visit the Titanic exhibit at the Maritime Museum of the Atlantic.
- Stroll, jog, bike or hike in Point Pleasant Park.
- Spend an afternoon walking along the waterfront enjoying the many shops and activities.
- Enjoy watching a hockey game or a concert at the Metro Centre.
- Discover the photo famous beauty of Peggy's Cove.
- Learn about Halifax's fascinating history at Citadel Hill.



Halifax
Regional Centre for Education

SOUTH SHORE REGIONAL CENTRE FOR EDUCATION

NOVA SCOTIA INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM



BOARD FACTS

Population:

8,110

Climate:

FOUR SEASONS

Temperature:

-10°C TO +30°C

Location:

SOUTH SHORE
NOVA SCOTIA

Industry:

MANUFACTURING

Airport:

HALIFAX ROBERT L. STANFIELD
INTERNATIONAL (1 and 1/4 hour drive)

Attractions:

- BEACHES
- GOLF
- MUSEUMS
- NATURE PARKS
- SKIING (1 HOUR DRIVE)
- WATER SPORTS

Located on the southern coast of Nova Scotia, the South Shore Regional Centre for Education consists of 32 schools and approximately 7,882 students. It covers an area of 5,250 square kilometers.

The South Shore of Nova Scotia is very well known for its beautiful beaches and seafaring expertise. Traditionally, sail-powered wooden vessels centred a centuries-old fishing industry. Today, sailing is a common recreational activity. Forestry, fishing, manufacturing, retail, and financial services are the main economic activities. The 'Bluenose', Canada's famed championship schooner and racing ship was built in 1921, in Lunenburg, a UNESCO world heritage site located in the South Shore Regional School Board.

Throughout the area there are many outdoor activities to be enjoyed and the stage is perfectly set with picturesque beauty and serene landscapes. Enjoy an adventurous day surfing at the beach or relax by kayaking one the many freshwater rivers or lakes. As with all areas of Nova Scotia, people in the South Shore are known for their friendly nature and natural ability to make you feel at home...So don't be surprised if strangers start a conversation with you...It is just the warmth of Nova Scotians shining through.

Throughout the year, there are many things to do and see in the South Shore Regional Centre for Education.

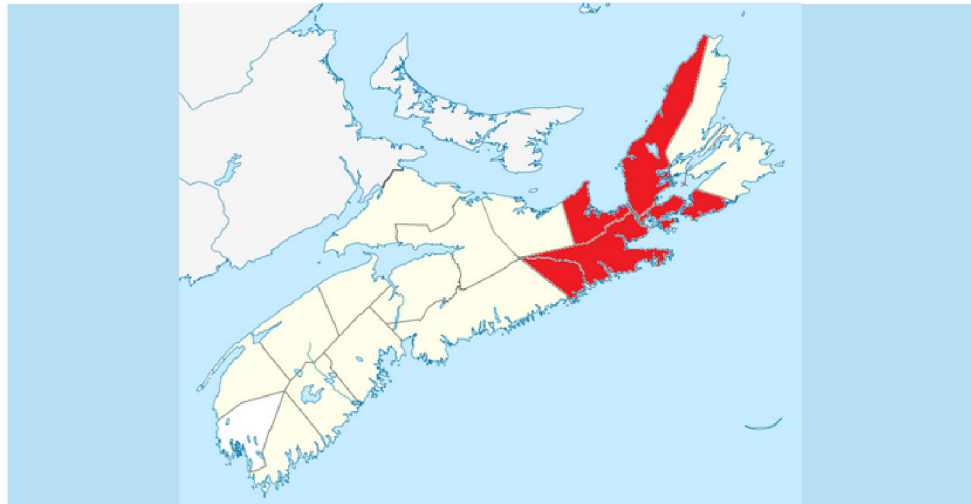
- Spend the day at one of the many beautiful beaches.
- Attend the many community activities and festivals.
- Enjoy the winter by cross-country skiing, taking a sleigh ride or skating on pond.
- Tour one of the local museums or historic sites.
- Experience parks featuring camping, hiking, canoeing and kayaking.



South Shore
Regional Centre for Education

STRAIT REGIONAL CENTRE FOR EDUCATION

NOVA SCOTIA INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM



BOARD FACTS

Population: 7,830
Climate: FOUR SEASONS

Temperature: -15°C TO +25°C
Location: EASTERN NOVA SCOTIA

Industry: TOURISM, FISHING, AGRICULTURE

Airport: HALIFAX ROBERT L. STANFIELD INTERNATIONAL (3 and 1/2 hour drive)

Attractions:

- BEACHES
- MUSEUMS
- WHALE WATCHING
- WATER SPORTS
- ICE HOCKEY

The Strait Regional Centre for Education is a rural school board located in northeastern Nova Scotia. With a geographic area of approximately 11,000 square kilometers, it governs 25 schools in the areas of Antigonish and Guysborough counties on the mainland, and Inverness and Richmond counties on Cape Breton Island. Throughout the school board you will find an overall population of approximately 56 600. Of these people, 7,830 are students and 626 are teachers. Approximately 60 per cent of students are housed in buildings that are less than 12-years-old. Ten brand new schools were opened since the year 2000. All schools, old and new, are equipped with up-to-date communications technology.

The Strait Regional Centre for Education is home to the beautiful Cabot Trail. Every year, thousands of tourists come to Nova Scotia to enjoy traveling this famous route, which in 2006 'Lonely Planet' tour guides named one of the top ten road trips in the world. Activities enjoyed here include water sports, whale watching, camping, sightseeing and more.

As with all areas of Nova Scotia, people in the Strait Regional School Board are known for their friendly nature and natural ability to make you feel at home...So don't be surprised if strangers start a conversation with you...It is just the warmth of Nova Scotians shining through.

Throughout the year, there are many things to do and see in the Strait Regional Centre for Education.

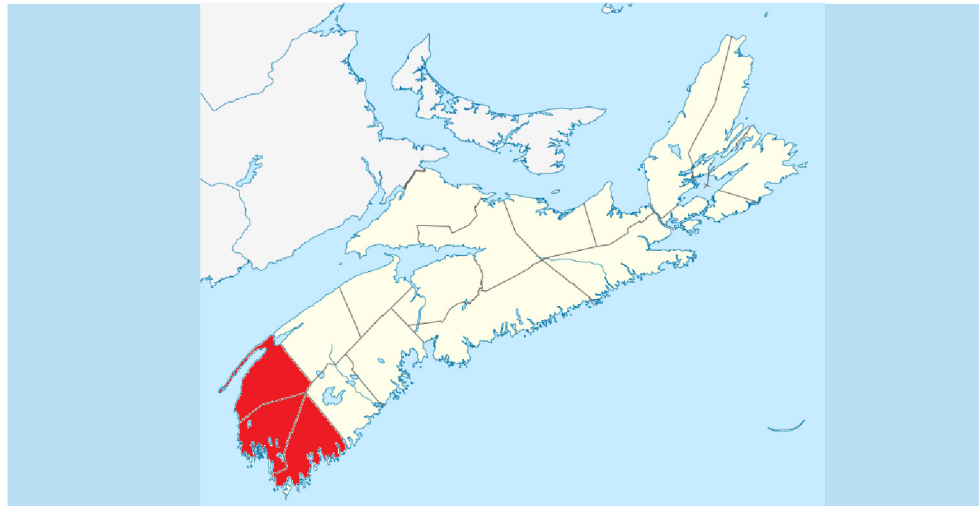
- Participate in one of the many community activities or festivals.
- Stroll, jog, bike or hike along one of the scenic trails.
- Spend an afternoon strolling beaches or enjoying a meal at a local restaurant.
- Enjoy watching a hockey game or concert at one of the local venues.



Strait
Regional Centre for Education

TRI-COUNTY REGIONAL CENTRE FOR EDUCATION.

NOVA SCOTIA INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM



BOARD FACTS

Population:
APPROX. 15 000

Climate:
FOUR SEASONS

Temperature:
-10°C TO +30°C

Location:
SOUTHWESTERN
NOVA SCOTIA

Industry:
FISHING, TOURISM

Airport:
HALIFAX ROBERT L. STANFIELD
INTERNATIONAL (2 and 1/2 hour drive)

Attractions:

- SWIMMING
- VOLLEYBALL
- CURLING
- SAILING
- ICE SKATING
- GOLF
- FITNESS FACILITIES

Located on the southwestern coast of Nova Scotia, the Tri-County Regional Centre for Education serves 30 schools in three areas being Digby County, Shelburne County and Yarmouth County.

These areas of Nova Scotia are very well known for their beautiful seascapes, dramatic natural attractions, outdoor adventures and friendly people. Tourism is a booming industry with the New England States (United States) only a short ride across the water on the 'Cat' ferry. The fishing industry in western Nova Scotia is also notable providing world class seafood to impress.

In Tri-County you will find many modern shops and unique specialty boutiques—there is surely something for everyone. Whether you want to enjoy a mouthwatering meal in one of the several restaurants, or catch a show at a local venue the options are endless.

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Throughout the year, there are many things to do and see in the Tri-County Regional Centre for Education.

- Go whale watching in the Atlantic from one of the many tour boats.
- Attend the exciting community activities and festivals.
- Enjoy the winter by cross-country skiing, taking a sleigh ride or skating on pond.
- Spend the day at the white sand beaches or swim in the lakes.
- Experience parks featuring camping, hiking, canoeing and kayaking.



Tri-County

Regional Centre for Education