Fall Photo Contest



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IMPORTANT UPDATE ON INTERNATIONAL DANCE PARTIES

- International Dance Parties have become regular events in Vancouver
- These parties are organized exclusively for international students. The venue is disclosed last minute
- Students are **NOT** allowed to attend these parties, even if they intend to be home by curfew

CURFEW

- Curfew is non-negotiable
- Mon to Thurs
- 8 PM for younger than 16 years
- 9 PM for 16 years and older
- Fri & Sat11 PM for everyone
- Please notify your respective homestay coordinator if your student is not following curfew

BEDROOM CHECK-INS WITH PERMISSION

- Discuss the reasons for checking their bedroom in advance. This helps them understand the importance of the visit and promotes trust
- Ask for Permission: Always request their consent before entering. A simple, "Can I come in to check your bedroom?" goes a long way in respecting their privacy
- Set a Schedule: Establish regular check-in times that work for both of you, making it a routine rather than an unexpected visit

CONNECT OVER FOOD:

Tips for Collaborative Grocery Planning with Your Student

- Adjusting to Canadian cuisine is a significant cultural adjustment for international students. To help them feel more at home, take the time to discuss their likes and dislikes
- Consider leaving a grocery list on the fridge or counter where they can jot down their favorite foods and ingredients. This small step can make a big difference in making them feel included!
- Encourage them to share traditional dishes from their home country and invite them to help with shopping or meal prep
- Collaborate on a shopping list that features their favorite snacks and essentials, making them feel included in meal planning
- Invite your student to join you on grocery trips

3.43rd Annual VMS Mushroom Show

5. Harvest Days at the VanDusen Botanical Garden

11. Canyon Frights at Capilano Suspension Bridge

Local Events & Activities

4. Richmond Night Market

8. Stanley Park Ghost Train

7. Dreadworks Haunted House

13. Eagles Acres Pumpkin Patch

9. Fright Nights at Playland 2024

12. The BOG at Riverside Cranberry Farm

15. Flyover Canada: Halloween Adventure

1. <u>UBC Apple Festival</u> 2.<u>ECHO by Cirque du Soleil</u>

6. Fin-tastic Fall Days

10. Pumpkins After Dark

14. Laity Pumpkin Patch

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