

Pre-Arrival Information Package



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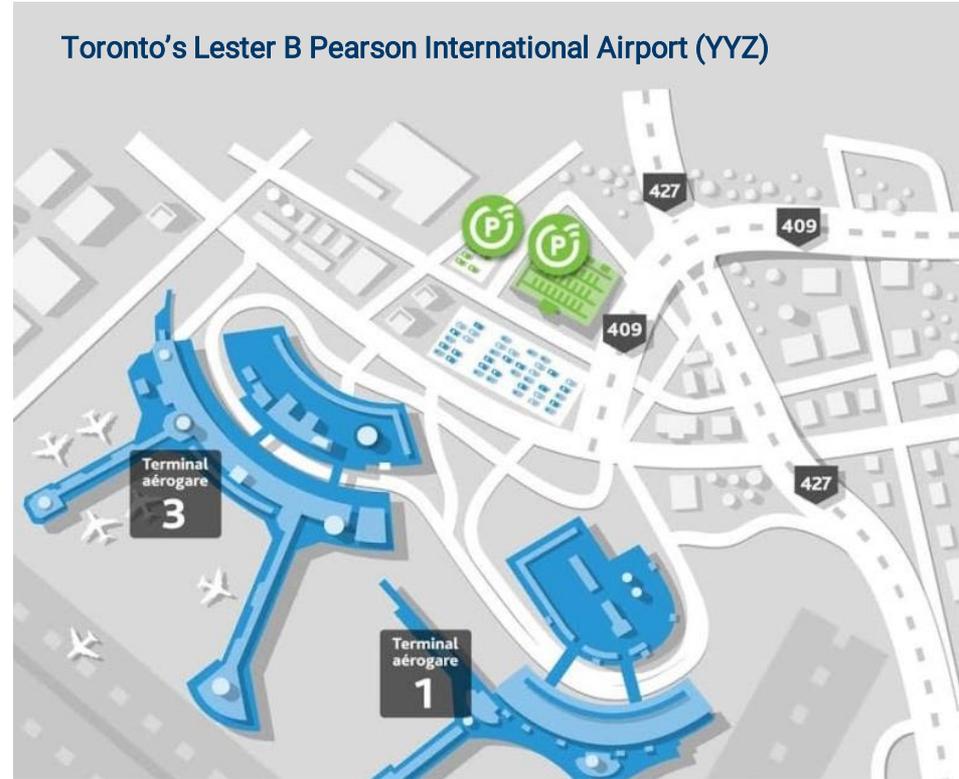
We at Braemar College look forward to welcoming you to our school in Toronto. If you have requested **homestay and airport pick up**, this information is for you.

- 1. Before the flight Tips
 1. Most airlines only allow you to bring one piece of small luggage on the plane with you
 2. Keep your passport with you at all times
 3. Bring a copy of your Letter of Acceptance
 4. Bring a copy of your homestay profile



2. When you arrive at the airport

You will arrive at either **Terminal 1** or **Terminal 3** at Toronto's Lester B Pearson International Airport (YYZ).

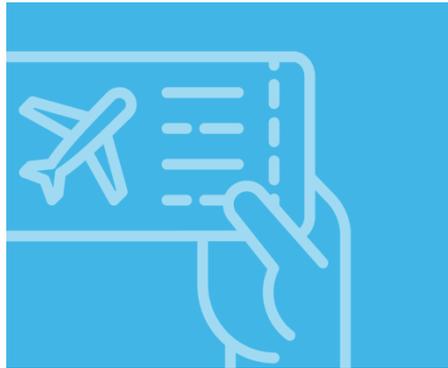




3. Immigration

Once you get off of the plane, you will visit a customs officer. After you visit the customs officer, you will have to go to the Immigration office. THIS IS WHERE YOU WILL HAVE TO PICK UP YOUR STUDY PERMIT. Have ready all the documents you brought with you. Do your best to answer the questions as accurately as possible.

DO NOT FORGET TO PICK UP YOUR STUDY PERMIT.



4. Baggage

After you clear Immigration, go to the baggage claim and collect your bags.

NOTE: If for some reason you don't find one of your bags, do not leave the baggage claim area without making a claim with the airline. It sometimes happens that your bags may not make it for the connection. If you leave your homestay address with the airline, they will normally be able to deliver them to you during the next couple days.

Having collected your bags, go through customs and hand in your Declaration Card. You will be given this on the plane and will have time to fill it out during the flight.

◀ This is what it looks like

5. When you enter the arrivals hall

'When you come out into the arrival hall,
look for the **Pre-arranged services area**,
An airport officer will help you contact your driver.

If you arrive to Terminal 1 – you should walk to
Post A

If you arrive to Terminal 3 – you should walk to
post 7





IMPORTANT

In the unlikely event that you do NOT see our representative, do not panic! Wait for 25 minutes. It sometimes happens that the flight gets out early before he or she has arrived. If you still do not see the sign, go to the INFORMATION booth. Ask to call one of the three numbers below or look for the phone on the left side of the booth (**dial 9**, then the numbers below).



First, Call Mathu and Sam, Chloe.

Mathu 437-213-4133 (Cell phone and WhatsApp)

Sam 647-530-8094(Cell phone and WhatsApp)

King Tours (contact for driver service): **416-315-4065 + press1**

Chloe 416-487-8058 (office) OR **416-821-2583** (cell phone and whatsApp)

DO NOT TAKE A TAXI UNTIL YOU HAVE CALLED THESE NUMBERS!

Airport Information Booths

Terminal 1 –
Information
Booth
& Phone



Terminal 3 –
Information
Booth
& Phone

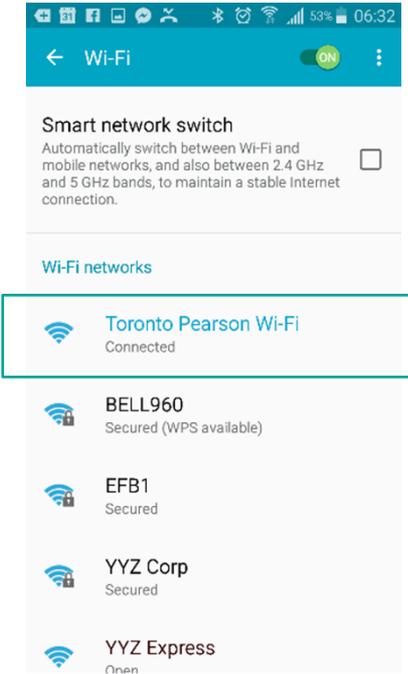




Connecting to Airport Wi-Fi

Pearson airport offers free Wi-Fi and it comes very handy to inform your family that you arrived, as well as another way to contact the driving service through **WhatsApp**.

- Step 1.** Connect to “Toronto Pearson Wi-Fi”
- Step 2.** Open your browser (Safari / Chrome / Internet)
- Step 3.** Type any website eg. www.braemarcollege.com
- Step 4.** You will see this screen
- Step 5.** Click to accept the terms and conditions
- Step 6.** Click on the **to connect**



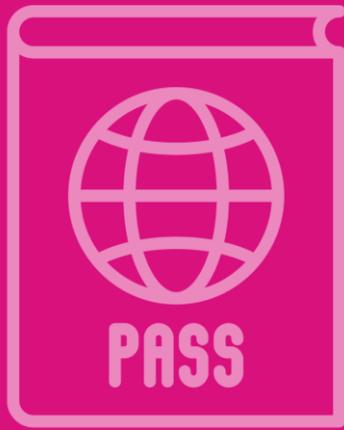


When you arrive at your homestay

Your homestay family looks forward to welcoming you! After you have rested and eaten, they will help you come to Braemar College.

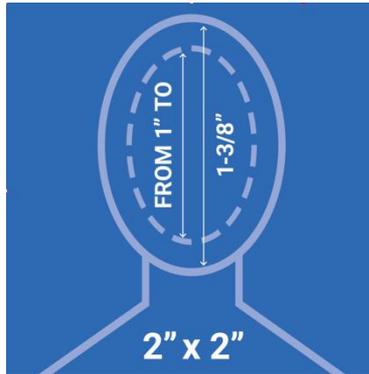
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Passport

Two pictures
of yourself



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You will then have an orientation, which will include writing your math and English placement tests and meeting with the principal to choose your courses and coming up with a study plan.

We will also help you with your TTC student card (so you get a reduction in your bus/subway/streetcar fare and your health insurance. In necessary, we can also help with setting up a bank account and getting a cell phone.



What advice do you have for international students coming to Braemar for the first time?

'Just don't worry, you're coming to a friendly environment where everyone is happy to help you.'

What was your impression of Canada before you arrived, and was this accurate?

'When coming to Canada, I liked it right from the plane. Now I love Canada with its lifestyle, education, and people.'

How long did it take you get settled (comfortable, into a routine, etc.)?

'It seems to me like I have always been here, that's how comfortable I feel. Mostly, that's because of my English level and the friendly people.'

David (Russia)



How long did it take you to get settled (comfortable, in a routine, etc.)?

'It didn't even take a week. The teachers are very friendly and always there to help if you want it, which makes it much easier to get used to the routine and get comfortable.'

Sahar (Afghanistan)



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'Be confident and active. Don't be afraid of asking questions. People here are willing to give you a helping hand.'

Christine (China)



What do you think of Toronto?

'Toronto is a nice city and safe. Many friendly people live here, and this city is pretty lively.'

Berke (Turkey)

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