



# Boarding Weekend Activity Guide

Winter/Spring 2019

## **Raptors NBA Game (#1)**

Come out and see the Toronto Raptors versus the Memphis Grizzlies at the Scotia Bank Arena. There are limited seats available as tickets have been pre-purchased. Includes \$20.00 meal money. Cost: \$175 Date: January 19

## **Dave and Busters (#2)**

Dave and Busters is a restaurant and Arcade. Spend the afternoon having lunch at the on-site restaurant (meal included in trip cost) and enjoy playing some of the newest arcade games. Cost: \$ 65 Date: January 19

## **Snow Valley – Skiing/Snowboarding (#3 & #5)**

Students will have an opportunity to enjoy the Canadian winter experience and ski or snowboard. Lift tickets, lessons and rentals, including helmets are available at all hills. Students who do not have ski/snowboarding experience are required to take a lesson from a qualified instructor at the ski hill. Cost: \$125, plus the cost of rentals/lessons if needed. Date: January 20 and 27

*\*\* a completed separate consent form and waiver is required.*

## **Bubble Soccer (#4)**

Strap into a bubble suit and play a game of soccer. In this variation of a traditional soccer game your objective is to get the soccer ball into the other team's goal, while happily bumping and pushing your friends out of the way!

Cost: \$50 Date: January 26

## **Snow Tubing (#6)**

Tubing is a recreational activity where an individual rides on top of an inner tube on snow. Cost: \$60 Date: February 2

## **Mount St. Louis – Skiing/Snowboarding (#7,9,11,13)**

Students will have an opportunity to enjoy the Canadian winter experience and ski or snowboard. Lift tickets, lessons and rentals, including helmets are available at all hills. Students who do not have ski/snowboarding experience are required to take a lesson from a qualified instructor at the ski hill. Cost: \$125, plus the cost of rentals/lessons if needed. Date: February 3, 10, 24 and March 3

*\*\* a completed separate consent form and waiver is required.*

## **Marlies Hockey Game (#8)**

The Toronto Marlies are a Canadian professional ice hockey team playing in the American Hockey League. The top affiliate of the National Hockey League's Toronto Maple Leafs, the Marlies play at Coca-Cola Coliseum in Toronto. There are limited tickets available. Includes \$20.00 meal money. Cost: \$100 Date: February 9

## **Blue Mountain Resort – Ski/Snowboarding and Snow Tubing – Long Weekend Trip (#10)**

Blue Mountain is an alpine ski resort in Ontario just 1.5 hours from Pickering College. It is situated on a section of the Niagara Escarpment. It is a major destination for skiers and snowboarders. Students will have the opportunity to spend the Family Day Weekend (**the boarding school is closed**) enjoying the many outdoor winter activities available in Ontario. A separate permission form is required for this trip and will be provided to you if your child is attending this trip. Cost: \$1,100 (*plus rental costs for ski/snowboard package as needed*) Date: February 14-18, 2019

## **Toronto Eaton's Centre (#12)**

One of Toronto's most famous tourist attractions, the Eaton's Centre is home to more than 230 stores located in downtown Toronto. Students will have a chance to shop at many of the most famous stores in Canada. Cost: \$20 Date: March 2

## **Toronto Football Club (#14)**

Come out and see the Toronto Football Club, commonly referred to as Toronto FC or simply TFC. This Canadian professional soccer club competes in Major League Soccer as a member of the Eastern Conference. This home game is at BMO Field at Exhibition Place in Toronto. For all the soccer lovers in our boarding school! Cost: \$ 110 Date: *To be determined once game schedule is released.*

### **Museum of Illusions (#15)**

The Museum of Illusions in Toronto offers a fascinating adventure. It is an intriguing visual, sensual and educational experience with a handful of new, unexplored illusions. Experience exhibits such as the Vortex Tunnel, collection of holograms, and many games and puzzles to test your brainpower! Cost: \$50 Date: April 6 or 7

### **CN Tower and Ripley's Aquarium (#16)**

Students will first visit the famous CN Tower. From the Look Out level experience an eye-opening new perspective on the most spectacular views in Toronto with floor-to-ceiling panoramic Window Walls and an all new Glass Floor. Students will then walk next-door to visit the aquarium in Toronto and immerse themselves in a world of 16,000 aquatic animals and discover an underwater adventure. The aquarium features North America's longest underwater viewing tunnel with more than 5.7 million litres of water and over 100 interactive opportunities. Cost: \$135 Date: April 14

### **Niagara Falls – Easter Long Weekend Trip (#17)**

Niagara Falls, Ontario, is a Canadian city at the famous waterfalls of the same name, linked with the U.S. by the Rainbow Bridge. Students will have the opportunity to spend the Easter Long Weekend (**the boarding school is closed**) enjoying the one of the Natural Wonders of the World. Experience the Falls up close on a river cruise with a journey behind the falls, and enjoy fun and games along Clifton Hill. There is so much to see, do and learn! A separate permission form is required for this trip and will be provided to you if your child is attending this trip. Cost: \$1,500 Date: April 19-22

### **Wishing Well Animal Sanctuary (#18)**

This delightful retreat located in the Holland Marsh, near Bradford is home to over 70 animals including roosters, ducks, cows, pigs, goats, donkeys, horses, sheep, and a llama named Lightning. Students will go on a guided tour that will foster an appreciation for the unique story of each animal at the sanctuary and an opportunity to interact with them. Following the tour participants will enjoy a scrumptious vegetarian burger at the farm. Cost: \$40 Date: April 27

### **MLB Baseball Game (#19)**

Cheer along with 40 000 fans at the Rogers Centre as you watch the Toronto Blue Jays host the Oakland A's. Includes \$20.00 meal money. Cost: \$90 Date: April 28

### **Canada's Wonderland (#20)**

A trip to Canada's premier amusement park. Students will enjoy the roller coaster and other rides and attractions. Students will enjoy the thrill and excitement. Cost: \$85 Date: May 17. Includes \$20 meal money. *\*\*if students request to purchase a "Fast Pass Plus" an additional \$75.00 charge will apply. The Fast Lane Plus ticket allows students front of the line access for rides and attractions.*

### **Queen Street East – Toronto (#21)**

Queen Street East is one of Toronto's hippest areas. It's artsy and bohemian. It is a great place to walk and shop and various interesting shops not found anywhere else. It boasts eclectic shops, sidewalk cafes, and vibrant restaurants. Cost: \$ 20 Date: May 18

### **Cooking Class (#22)**

Spend the afternoon cooking with a professional chef. This is an interactive hands on cooking experience which will involve learning some new cooking techniques and preparing some delicious food. After you are finished cooking, you will enjoy eating your creations! Cost: \$40 Date: May 19

### **Anime North (#23)**

Anime North is a non-profit, fan-run anime convention, held every year in Toronto. The convention is the 4<sup>th</sup> largest North American anime convention as of 2016. Cost: \$90 Date: May 26

***Please keep this Program Guide for your information purposes and return only the Consent Form and Waiver Forms.***

***Please note that dates and times are subject to change based on availability of venue and attendance.***

***Activities are cancelled if there is not enough interest.***

***Once students have signed themselves up for a trip they are committed to the costs. No refunds.***



## Boarding Weekend Activities Consent/Acknowledgement of Risk Form Winter/Spring 2019

Dear Parents/Guardians and Students,

As part of our ongoing efforts to provide our students with a vibrant and engaging Boarding Program we offer a variety of weekend activities that students can choose to attend. These activities vary in nature from physical to cultural and attempt to appeal to all interests. The weekend program is designed to encourage friendship and community within the boarding school, to provide interesting opportunities to experience Canadian culture and to give our students options to look forward to on weekends. Most of the activities are optional but at least once each term we have a mandatory event that all students must participate in, this encourages a sense of community in boarding.

This Consent/Acknowledgement of Risk Form provides information on all trips scheduled for the fall, as well as the approximate costs related to each outing. Please discuss these activities with your child and choose which trips your child might like to participate in.

By indicating "Yes" on the permission form next to the corresponding activity number; you give your child the **option** to sign up to attend that particular trip. This does not commit your child to the trip but makes it easy for them to attend should they wish to participate. Your child will be reminded of the weekend's activities each week with the option to sign up. However, please note that if your child signs up for a trip and then decides at the last minute not to go, charges may still need to be billed to their student account for any associated costs.

Travel to and from the excursions is by Pickering College Bus, a yellow school bus, van or taxi as appropriate. Please note that all prices are approximate, subject to change depending on the number of students that participate. Please remember that there are often opportunities that come up that cannot be planned for. We like to take advantage of these opportunities to provide students with a truly robust experience while boarding. If this should happen we will notify you by email and look for further permission for your son/daughter to participate. As well, we do activities within the Newmarket area as "families" and these are part of the boarding program.

Dates and Times of the activities are approximate and are subject to change based on availability and participation.

Activity – See description in Activity Guide	Parental Permission
Raptors NBA Game (#1)	Yes _____ No _____
Dave & Busters Arcade (#2)	Yes _____ No _____
Boarding Ski/Snowboard Club – Snow Valley – Separate Consent Form Required (#3 & #5)	Yes _____ No _____
Bubble Soccer (#4)	Yes _____ No _____
Snow Tubing at Lakeridge (#6)	Yes _____ No _____
Boarding Ski/Snowboard Club – Mount St. Louis – Separate Consent Form Required (# 7, 9, 11, 13)	Yes _____ No _____
Marlies Hockey Game (#8)	Yes _____ No _____
<b>Blue Mountain – Long Weekend Trip (#10)– Separate Consent Form Required.</b> Please indicate "Yes" if your child will be joining us on this trip. If yes, we will send you the additional consent form. Please select "No" if your child will be staying with their Custodian, a Family member, or Friend.	<b>*Boarding is closed this weekend*</b> Will student attend the Blue Mountain Trip? Yes _____ No _____
Eaton Centre Shopping (#12)	Yes _____ No _____
Toronto Football Club - Soccer Game (#14)	Yes _____ No _____
Museum of Illusions (#15)	Yes _____ No _____
CN Tower/Ripley's Aquarium (#16)	Yes _____ No _____
<b>Niagara Falls – Easter Long Weekend Trip (#17) – Separate Consent Form Required.</b> Please indicate "Yes" if your child will be joining us on this trip. If yes, we will send you the additional consent form. Please select "No" if your child will be staying with their Custodian, a Family member, or Friend.	<b>*Boarding is closed this weekend*</b> Will student attend the Niagara Falls Trip? Yes _____ No _____
Wishing Well Animal Sanctuary (#18)	Yes _____ No _____

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Toronto Blue Jays – Major League Baseball Game – (#19)	Yes _____ No _____
Canada’s Wonderland (#20)	Yes _____ No _____
Queen Street Toronto Shopping (#21)	Yes _____ No _____
Cooking Class (#22)	Yes _____ No _____
Anime North (#23)	Yes _____ No _____

The Health Centre will provide the supervising staff with your son or daughter’s medical information. If your child needs any special medical consideration at the time of the trip, please indicate this below your signature. If your child’s medical information indicates that they need an inhaler or epinephrine auto injector, please ensure that they have it with them on the trip.

Please remind your child that they may not leave the trip without the express permission of the supervisory staff and that the Pickering College Code of Conduct applies equally to school and field trips.

Please return a signed copy of this form to Boarding [boarding@pickeringcollege.on.ca](mailto:boarding@pickeringcollege.on.ca) by **December 20, 2018**.

If you have any questions or concerns about these field trips, please contact the Boarding School at, 905-895-1700, ext. 401 or [boarding@pickeringcollege.on.ca](mailto:boarding@pickeringcollege.on.ca)

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*Parent / Guardian signature*

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*Print Parent / Guardian name – please print*

## Boarding Winter/Spring 2019 Weekend Activities

The undersigned as parent(s) or guardian(s) of (student's name printed) \_\_\_\_\_, having reviewed with my child the Weekend Activity Guide provided by Pickering College, hereby:

- (a) consent to (name) \_\_\_\_\_'s participating in the noted weekend activities
- (b) freely and voluntarily agree to assume the potential risks/hazards of this excursion and understand that my son/daughter may suffer personal injury as a result of an unforeseeable event during the course of the activities; the potential risks of this excursion include:
  - a. travel by bus and other vehicle (taxis, vans) on public roadways
  - b. Equipment failure
  - c. Inclement weather
  - d. Natural disaster
  - e. Political unrest and demonstrations
  - f. Food/water contamination
  - g. Environmental hazards – heat, sun exposure, cold
  - h. Animal encounter
  - i. Theft/assault
  - j. Swimming exposure
- (c) acknowledge that the possible consequences, as a result of these hazards, include but are not limited to:
  - a. General athletic injuries
  - b. Head and/or spinal injuries
  - c. Weather related injuries - Sunstroke, sunburn, dehydration – Frostbite etc.
  - d. Cuts/scrapes
  - e. Loss or damage to personal equipment or property
  - f. Emotional trauma
  - g. Physical trauma
  - h. Gastro-intestinal illness
  - i. Infection
  - j. Lost participant
  - k. Death
- (d) In consideration of my child being permitted to attend and participate in this excursion, I/we release and forever discharge, waive, and agree to save harmless and fully indemnify Pickering College, its employees, agents, independent contractors, directors and representatives (the "Releasees") from any and all claims, demands, damages, actions, liability, or causes of action, howsoever caused, which arise out of or is in any way connected to my child's participation in this excursion, except to the extent that such loss, injury or damages arises from the negligence of the Releasees;
- (e) Understand and agree that the Pickering College Code of Conduct applies to all students both in school and on school excursions. I understand that should my child fail to comply with the Pickering College Code of Conduct they may be disciplined and/or required to leave the excursion and we are responsible for all expenses incurred as a result;
- (f) Authorize the Pickering College Health Centre to provide the Excursion Leader and Supervisors with my child's health information. I further acknowledge that I have provided the Health Centre with my child's most up to date health information;
- (g) Understand and acknowledge that Pickering College does not provide any accidental death, disability, dismemberment or medical expenses insurance on behalf of students participating in excursions;
- (h) Understand and agree that all associated costs of this excursion will be billed to my Student Account and that I am responsible for payment of the account;
- (i) Authorize the Staff Member to consent to medical treatment for my child by any qualified medical practitioner as may be necessary in the event of an emergency or as deemed necessary at the time of the emergency.
- (j) Agree and acknowledge that should any additional waiver form be required by the provider, I authorize Pickering College to sign it on my behalf as I have agreed to the activity above.

Dated at \_\_\_\_\_ this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_\_.

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Parent / Guardian signature

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Print Parent / Guardian name – please print