

How the Program Works

- All participants must register by fully completing forms and having their parent or guardian sign off.
- Program typically held in-person at Gupta Newcomer Resource Centre (11713 82 ST NW) on Saturdays from September to June each year from 10 am—2 pm—except on long weekends.
- Includes academic supports and a variety of activities, games and workshops.

Who Can Access Program

- Any immigrant student from Grades 1 – 12 is eligible to register and participate.
- Those who commit to participate every Saturday during the September to June school year.
- Any participant who does not follow instructions or do their best, shall become ineligible after more than two attempts are made to ensure their participation.

Find Out More

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Educational tutoring & mentorship program that supports Grades 1—12 students with their academic work and builds community connections.



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Support for Kids & Youth Club (SKY Club)

Many newcomer children that arrive in Canada often lag in school for many reasons, such as challenges learning another language, not feeling a sense of belonging or connection to the community, overcoming the trauma experienced before and during their migration to Canada and other reasons.

In 2007, the Support for Kids and Youth (SKY) Club program was created by a group of Sudanese parents who wanted to provide some extra after-school support for their children and some social supports needed for full integration and academic success.

Since 2007, SKY Club has evolved and grown into a vibrantly inclusive and culturally-infused program supported by the Newcomer Centre and the University of Alberta's Community Service Learning Program and Undergraduate Research Initiative to help prepare the participants for better life choices and help them succeed in society.



Program Purpose

- Provide academic support to the participants to improve their performance and grades.
- Create a positive, structured and safe space for the participants to study, converse with their peers and know each other better.
- Provide space where the participants can develop and practice their social skills.
- Provide activities in a caring environment where everyone feels valued and safe.
- Share knowledge and fun while building healthy relationships based on self-respect.
- Create room for learning beyond academic needs through workshops, philosophy for children, play activities and other activities such as soccer, painting and community experience field trips.
- Provide an opportunity to interact with other students and volunteers from different cultural backgrounds.

Expectations

All participants, staff and volunteers shall:

- Work cooperatively in a respectful manner that positively affects everyone.
- Use appropriate language and commit to full participation to the best of their abilities.
- Manage the development and thinking of the participants in a healthy fashion.
- Support the participants' social development in a very encouraging environment.
- Maintain a professional relationship while serving the program participants.

