



The Region:

SIMCOE COUNTY

Discover Simcoe County ... A Place for All Seasons

The communities of the Simcoe Region surround Lake Simcoe and expand to Georgian Bay (to the west) and the Muskoka Region (to the north). Located just over an hour drive from Toronto, this area is rich in history and offers many choices for students including a wide range of town options, hills for skiing and snowboarding, lakes for water recreation and easy access to Toronto

Location: 1-2 hours north of Toronto

Outdoor Sports: Boating • Cycling • Fishing • Golfing • Hiking • Horseback Riding • Rollerblading • Skating • Skiing • Snowboarding • Snowtubing • Snowshoeing

Recreation for students:

- Art Galleries • Coffee shops • Festivals
- Libraries • Music concerts • Museums
- Parks • Restaurants (formal and fast food)
- Ski Resorts • Shopping malls & centres
- Sports • Theatre • Youth recreational centres

Why Simcoe?

- Placements close to Toronto
- Several community options
- Outdoor sports year-round
- Many new school facilities

COMMUNITIES IN THIS REGION:

- Alliston
- Barrie
- Collingwood
- Midland/Penetanguishene
- Orillia

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City / Suburb

"The heart of Simcoe County"

The City of Barrie is one of Canada's fastest growing and dynamic cities. Its location close to the great outdoors and recreational activities promotes an active and healthy lifestyle. Barrie manages to achieve an important balance; with ample parkland, a beautiful waterfront and heritage downtown it maintains a community-minded 'small town feeling'; yet at the same time continues to grow and prosper with all of today's modern conveniences, business and commercial development. With these benefits, Barrie is not only a wonderful place to vacation, but an ideal spot to call home.

- Located on Kempenfelt Bay on Lake Simcoe
- Population: approximately 175,000
- 85 km north of Toronto

Sister Cities:
Zweibrücken (Germany)
Murayama (Japan)
Taizhou (China)

Notable features:

- Barrie has the most ski runs in all of Ontario
- This is one of Canada's fastest growing cities, due in part to its proximity to Toronto
- Many corporate head offices are considering Barrie as an alternative to Toronto
- OHL (Ontario Hockey League) team: Barrie Colts

Main Attractions:

- Barrie Boat Cruises
- Farmer's Market
- Gryphon Theatre: www.gryphontheatre.com
- McLaren Art Centre: www.maclarencentre.com
- Barrie Molsen Centre: www.city.barrie.on.ca
- Horseshoe Valley Ski Resort: www.horseshoeresort.com

Libraries: 1 public library

Shopping Malls: 4 (Georgian Mall, Kozlov Centre, Bayfield Mall, Cookstown Outlet Mall - just outside of Barrie) including clothes and music shops plus fast food eateries

Movie Theatres: 3 (multiplex)

Public Transit: Bus service in town, GO train/bus service to Toronto (limited schedule)

Transit to school may include: Public bus / School Bus / Walking

Average Temperatures: [° C]

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High	-6	-4	2	10	17	22	25	23	19	12	4	-3
Low	-17	-16	-9	-2	4	9	12	11	7	2	-3	-12