

# Sussex Middle School

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Dear Intermediate Teacher,

Welcome to the national writing activity for your entire class called the "Great Canadian Mail Race." I am a grade 8 teacher from Sussex, New Brunswick. We are continuing this mail race at Sussex Middle School after receiving our own letter in the mail from another school in Barrie, Ontario. My class is eager to participate so we are inviting you too. This is how it works:

1. Read this letter to your students.
2. Assign one student to reply to my student's letter. That student should also send a letter to an intermediate student in another town in Canada so he/she needs to write both letters in a timely fashion.
3. All students in your class will write a letter addressed to "Any Intermediate Student."
4. Students choose a city in Canada where they would like to send their letter. You can Google "Intermediate Schools in Canada" for choices. Students may select a school based on province, town, or school name, a distant school they once attended or know someone who attends that school. This may become an activity to learn more about Canada.
5. Address the envelope just like the one you received.
6. Include a cover letter like this one in each student's envelope.
7. Wait for a reply!

I hope that you will continue this activity. My class is looking forward to finding different schools in Canada and anxiously awaits your reply. The "race" part of the activity is to see which student gets the quickest reply.

Sincerely,

Erin McLaughlin