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MONTREAL SCHOOLS SHORTEN TERMS, STUDENTS GET HEAD START AT EXPO 67

MONTREAL, Canada (Expo 67) -- Expo 67, the Canadian Universal and International Exhibition of 1967, is having its effect on schools in the Montreal area.

Many of them will close early next year, both to allow students to take advantage of job and cultural opportunities at Expo 67, which opens April 28, and to make room in dormitories for the huge influx of visitors expected in Montreal between April 28 and October 27.

At Sir George Williams University, examinations are scheduled to end on April 22, to enable students to get jobs.

The University of Montreal will end its spring semester as usual on May 1, but will open next September a week later than usual.

At McGill University, undergraduate classes for the spring semester begin a few days earlier than usual, so that all finals may be finished by April 30. Last year at McGill, the finals ended May 6.

And at Loyola College, examinations are scheduled to be over earlier than usual, although the dates have not been confirmed. University officials in Montreal said the decision to alter the spring and fall schedules for 1967 had been made after many students expressed concern that they might not be able to accept some of the better jobs at Expo 67 because the opening would coincide with examinations.

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When you visit Expo 67 in Montreal next year, incidentally, it will be a good opportunity to get a look at the campuses there. There are four to see:

McGill University -- McGill is one of the largest and oldest independent English-language universities in Canada. It was chartered in 1821, after an endowment of a 46-acre estate and 10,000 pounds by the wealthy Montreal merchant James McGill. Today, its campuses occupy more than 700 acres, and there are 10,000 graduates and undergraduates enrolled in nine faculties, 10 schools, and nine institutions. The University is noted for its work in neurology, psychiatry, air and space law, and architecture. In Montreal, the address for the school is 805 Sherbrooke Street West. The campus there offers a pleasant stroll indeed.

University of Montreal -- Founded in 1876 as a branch of Quebec City's Laval University, this school obtained its own charter in 1919. It is the largest French-language university outside of France. It now occupies a spacious area on the northern slopes of Mount Royal, which dominates the city of Montreal. There are 12 faculties, 10 affiliated schools, and 33 colleges in this non-denominational university, whose chancellor is the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Montreal, Paul-Emile Cardinal Leger. The total enrollment is all the affiliated schools is 38,000, with a faculty approaching 3,000.

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Sir George Williams University -- this school reversed the usual procedure, in that it was established first as an evening, adult-education school, and only later offered daytime classes. It began in 1873 as part of the Montreal Young Men's Christian Association, ans was named in 1926 for Sir George Williams, founder of the YMCA in England. It now has about 3,000 day students and 7,700 evening students; these numbers are expected to double with the completion of a new 10-story building at Bishop and Burnside Streets in Montreal. Buildings also at 1435 Drummond Street.

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Loyola College -- the largest English-speaking Jesuit institution in Canada, Loyola is affiliated with the University of Montreal. The school was established in 1896 as a classical college; today it has 2,500 students.

These schools, along with others in a 50-mile radius of Montreal, are cooperating with Expo 67's lodging office, Logexpo (pronounced Lodge Expo). Rooms in the various dormitories and apartment buildings being made available for Expo 67 (partly through the early school closings in 1967) will range in cost from \$1.50 to \$5. It is planned that such facilities will be reserved as much as possible for students, youth organizations, and religious groups.

Under this plan, 84 dormitories will be available, with space for 12,304 persons -- and this number is expected to grow.

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