

FRENCH PROGRAMS

Background

Students in the District are to have the opportunity to study the French language. There are a variety of methods to ensure that French language instruction is available.

Procedures

1. French as a Second Language
 - 1.1 French as a Second Language (FSL) is a provincially prescribed curriculum for Grades 5 - 8.
 - 1.2 The Board has approved FSL instruction for Grade 4 students in the District.
 - 1.3 In addition, French language instruction is available as an elective subject from Grades 9 - 12.
2. French Immersion
 - 2.1 Opportunities to study the French language through immersion are available through the Early French Immersion beginning in Kindergarten and Late French Immersion program beginning in Grade 6.
 - 2.1.1 Limitations may be put on enrolment when there are insufficient numbers to create an economically viable class size.
3. Programme cadre de français
 - 3.1 The Board meets its statutory obligations to provide instruction in the French language to francophone students, as defined by federal legislation, through arrangements with neighbouring school districts and provides transportation assistance to a maximum of \$8.00 per day.

*Reference: Sections 17, 20, 22, 65, 75, 85 School Act
School Regulation 265/89
Education Program Guide M333/99
Section 23 Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedom*

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