

FRENCH IMMERSION

Background

The District recognizes and supports the value of providing opportunity to students for a bilingual education. To this end, the District offers French Immersion Programs as an educational option in the District.

Procedures

1. In addition to providing French Immersion Programs to those families accorded the right to instruction in the French language under the Minority Language Educational Rights provision of the Charter of Rights and Freedoms, the District is equally committed to providing access to French Immersion Programs, in accordance with the School Act, as enrolment, facilities, financial resources, staff resources, and school organization permit.
2. French Immersion is an optional program and students can and do transition from Immersion into the regular program for a variety of reasons. This is accomplished through a consultative process involving the family, the student when appropriate, the child's teacher(s), school based team, as well as the school Principal/Vice Principal.

Reference: Sections 8.2, 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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