

MEMORANDUM

TO: Parents/Guardians of Grade 6 Students
FROM: Lucy Warren, Assistant Director of Education - Programs
SUBJECT: Late French Immersion - Application for Enrollment
DATE: January 11th, 2016

The Newfoundland and Labrador English School District is currently accepting registration for **Late French Immersion (LFI)**. Applications for enrollment will be accepted during the week of **February 1st - 5th, 2016**, at elementary schools where applicable, **February 5th being the deadline for receipt of applications. Failure to meet this deadline may result in students not being able to avail of this program.**

Late French Immersion is intended for any student who is interested in developing fluency in the French language. This is an intensive immersion program beginning in Grade 7 where approximately 70% of the curriculum is taught using French as the language of instruction decreasing to approximately 30% as students enter senior high school. A student accepted into Late French Immersion is expected to make a six year commitment to the program, from Grade 7 to Level III of senior high school.

Any student who has successfully completed Grade 6 can apply to the Late French Immersion Program. It is important to note that there are increased challenges, particularly in the early stages of the program, since subject area learning must occur while the language of instruction itself is being learned. For this reason, success in the Late French Immersion Program is strongly connected to a child's interest, commitment and motivation to learning in the French language.

As part of the registration process, your child's Grade 6 teacher will be asked to complete a recommendation form. You and your child should inform the Grade 6 teacher of the application so that this form can be completed and forwarded directly to the school principal.

You will be notified in writing indicating whether or not your child is recommended - your child's Late French Immersion school will also be identified at that time, following the regular feeder system where possible.

For further information about the **LFI Program**, you are encouraged to attend an information session for parents/guardians organized in your area. At the information session, you will be given an opportunity to ask any questions you may have regarding the **Late French Immersion Program**.

If you have any further questions regarding the registration process, please contact Jacqueline Rideout, French Program Specialist, by email at jacquelinrideout@nlesd.ca or by telephone 757-4640.



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2016-17 LATE FRENCH IMMERSION PROGRAM- REGISTRATION FORM

Please complete the following registration form. Applications must be received at your elementary school no later than February 5th, 2016.

Name of Student:

LAST NAME FIRST

Residential Address:

ADDRESS

CITY PROVINCE POSTAL CODE

Mailing Address:

ADDRESS

CITY PROVINCE POSTAL CODE

Contact Information:

PHONE CELL EMAIL

Current Age:

Date of Birth:

Current School:

SCHOOL NAME DISTRICT REGION

LFI School Preference

(Please note, where possible, school preference will be considered.)

Parents/Guardians: 1.

NAME FIRST LANGUAGE

HOME TELEPHONE WORK TELEPHONE

2.

NAME FIRST LANGUAGE

HOME TELEPHONE WORK TELEPHONE

Names of siblings currently enrolled in a French Immersion program (please indicate school and grade):

Has the student been enrolled in a French course or had any experience in a French environment other than the regular elementary Core French program? (e.g. Vacations, CPF Summer Camps, Club du samedi, etc.)

Is French spoken at home?

SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN

DATE

Office Use Only:

DATE RECEIVED

PROGRAM SPECIALIST - FRENCH PROGRAMS

To be completed independently by students registering for the 2016-17 Late French Immersion Program.

Name: _____

Current School: _____

LFI School: _____

Please answer the following two questions:

1. **What is your understanding of the Late French Immersion Program?**

2. **Complete this statement:**

I want to be in the Late French Immersion Program because.....
