



BIENVENUE!

FRENCH IMMERSION IN TVDSB

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION



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GUIDING PRINCIPLES OF FSL



- FSL programs are for all students
- FSL education serves as a bridge between languages and cultures
- Learning FSL strengthens literacy skills, as well as cognitive and metacognitive development
- Learning FSL is a lifelong journey



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Reasons to Learn French!

- Communicate with French speakers around the world
- The richest source of vocabulary in English actually derives not directly from Latin, but French
- Travel opportunities
- Students studying French will improve their overall comprehension skills as 1 out of 3 words in English has been borrowed from French
- Knowledge of French can improve creative and critical thinking skills
- Researchers in science, technology, medicine, and business have an edge on their competitors when they can read studies in the original language
- Job opportunities



PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Please visit our website for more information about our FSL Programs

www.tvdsb.ca/fsl

This program is available at 12 elementary schools across our region. French Immersion programming begins in Grade 1 and continues until Grade 12.

French Immersion meets the needs of non-Francophone families, and gives students the opportunity to learn French while still developing their English language skills.

PATHWAY FOR IMMERSION IN TVDSB

ELEMENTARY IMMERSION

- Students enter at Grade 1 only
- Transportation is provided (> 1.6 km)
- Students wishing to enter the FI program after Grade 1, must arrive from another Immersion Program
- If a student chooses to leave French Immersion, parents/guardians will receive an Exit Letter explaining that re-entry will be not permitted
- Students are encouraged to continue in French Immersion at the Secondary level

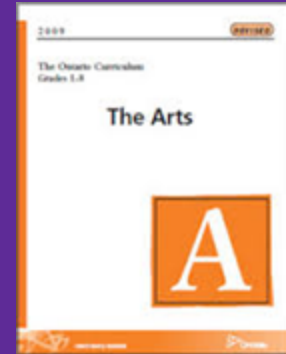
SECONDARY IMMERSION

- FI is offered at 5 of our Secondary Schools
- Transportation is provided (>3.2 km)
- Students who obtain a MINIMUM of 10 credits in FI courses will graduate with a French Immersion Diploma
- Of the 10 FI credits, 4 of them will be French Language credits (FIF 9-12)
- Upon reaching Grade 12 in FI, students will have the opportunity to sit the DELF exam (Diplôme d'Études en Langue Française)

*for more info on the DELF, please visit:

<https://delf-dalf.ambafrance-ca.org/>

WILL MY CHILD RECEIVE THE SAME PROGRAM AS OFFERED IN ENGLISH SCHOOLS?



DO PARENTS/GUARDIANS NEED TO SPEAK FRENCH?

Parents/guardians are not expected to have French language skills in order to send their child to a French Immersion school.

Parent/teacher interviews, curricula and report cards are in English.

HOW CAN WE SUPPORT OUR CHILD AT HOME?

HELPFUL WEBSITES TO VISIT AT HOME!

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FOR FRENCH**
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FRENCH EXPERIENCES

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The road to French experiences.



OUR TVDSB ONLINE LIBRARY LEARNING COMMONS

FRENCH RESOURCES (USE YOUR TVDSB LOGIN)

<http://tvdsb.libguides.com/elementary/read>

The screenshot displays a library website interface with two main columns. The left column is titled "READING ACTIVITIES & RESOURCES" and contains several resource cards: a partially visible "Pop" card, a "The Canadian Children's Book Centre" card, a "CH YOUR MONSTER READ" card featuring a red monster, and a "JUMPSTAR" card. The right column is titled "FRENCH LINKS" and contains four resource cards: "mini TFO", "Boukili", "Il était une histoire..." (with a small red starburst icon), and "FSL" (with "FSL Toolkit" written below it). A large red arrow with the text "FRENCH LINKS!!" points from the center towards the "FRENCH LINKS" column.

GETTING INVOLVED!



- SHARE YOUR EXPERTISE
- CLASSROOM ASSISTANCE
- READING SUPPORT
- LIBRARY LEARNING COMMONS
- LUNCHROOM HELPER
- ASSISTING WITH COACHING
- CLASS TRIPS
- FUNDRAISING
- HOT LUNCH DAYS
- SPRING FLING
- SNACK PROGRAM
- SCHOOL COUNCIL
- HOME AND SCHOOL
- OPEN HOUSES

TRANSPORTATION



- BUSSING IS PROVIDED FOR STUDENTS LIVING FARTHER THAN **1.6 km** FROM THE DESIGNATED ELEMENTARY FI SCHOOL OR FARTHER THAN **3.2 KM** FROM THE DESIGNATED SECONDARY FI SCHOOL
- YOUR DESIGNATED FI SCHOOL IS DETERMINED **BY YOUR HOME ADDRESS**
- TO FIND YOUR DESIGNATED FRENCH IMMERSION SCHOOL, GO TO THE TVDSB WEBSITE UNDER **“Find a School”**, **“French Immersion program”** AND INPUT YOUR ADDRESS
<https://www.tvdsb.ca/en/schools/find-my-local-school.aspx>
- NEW STUDENTS ARE NOTIFIED OF THEIR BUS ROUTES DURING THE SUMMER



REGISTRATION PROCESS - FOUND ON TVDSB WEBSITE

<https://www.tvdsb.ca/en/schools/how-to-register-.aspx>

In-person registration is required at all schools. Please follow the steps below to ensure you have all of the necessary information and documentation to register your student at their school.

Step 1: Find your school



Step 2: Begin the pre-registration process



Step 3: Collect required original documentation



Step 4: Contact your school



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ONLINE REGISTRATION DATES

JAN 17TH - FEB 4TH,
2022



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CE MOMENT
WHEN YOU START
PENSER EN
DEUX LANGUES
AT THE SAME
TEMPS

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 2022

- Students entering Grade 1 French Immersion must be 6 years old by December 31, 2022.
- When registering your child, you must produce proof of age and address (birth or baptismal certificate, registration of birth, passport, copy of lease agreement or utility bill).
- Deadline to register for Grade 1 French Immersion is September 30th.

ANY FURTHER
QUESTIONS?

PLEASE CONTACT YOUR DESIGNATED
FRENCH IMMERSION SCHOOL BY PHONE OR
VISIT THE SCHOOL'S WEBSITE (NEXT SLIDE)



TVDSB has 12 French Immersion Schools

<u>Éva Circé-Côté</u>	45885 SPARTA LINE, ST. THOMAS 519-775-2541	<u>Oliver Stephens</u>	164 FYFE AVE, WOODSTOCK 519-539-2068
<u>Jeanne Sauvé</u>	215 WHARNCLIFFE RD, LONDON 519-452-8250	<u>Pierre Elliott Trudeau</u>	112 CHURCHILL CR, ST. THOMAS 519-631-7820
<u>J.S. Buchanan</u>	248 KEEFER STREET, STRATHROY 519-245-0473	<u>Princess Anne</u>	191 DAWN DRIVE, LONDON 519-452-8480
<u>Kensal Park</u>	328 SPRINGBANK RD, LONDON 519-452-8280	<u>Princess Elizabeth</u>	247 THOMPSON RD, LONDON 519-452-8490
<u>Lord Roberts</u>	440 PRINCESS AVE, LONDON 519-452-8330	<u>Roch Carrier</u>	840 SLOANE ST, WOODSTOCK 519-537-7321
<u>Louise Arbour</u>	365 BELFIELD STREET, LONDON 519-452-2820	<u>West Oaks</u>	1050 PLANTATION ROAD, LONDON 519-452-8650