



French Programs at YK1

Intensive French

École William McDonald Middle School Gr 6
Range Lake North School Gr 6

- Designed for students who have no previous or limited exposure to French language
- Up to 70% of programming provided in French for the first five months (math instruction remains in English)
- Up to 25% French language learning during the second half of the year when the language of instruction changes to English
- Project-based language acquisition
- Program foundation based on Neurolinguistic Approach (NLA)

Post-Intensive French

Range Lake North School Gr 7-8
École William McDonald Middle School Gr 7-8
École Sir John Franklin High School Gr 9-12

- Open to students who successfully complete Grade 6 Intensive French, or have 1-2 years experience in French Immersion in early grades
- Continue to develop French language communication skills using NLA
- Up to 230 hours per year of French language learning

French Immersion

École Itlò JK-Gr5
École William McDonald Middle School Gr 6-8
École Sir John Franklin High School Gr 9-12

- Entry Point: Junior Kindergarten, Kindergarten & Grade 1 (early immersion)
- Grades K-2: All subjects taught in French
- Grade 3: English Language Arts instruction begins
- Grades 3-8: Up to 80% of program is in French
- Grades 9-12: Access to french immersion programming (social studies, biology, math, etc.)

Programs for a bilingual experience in a French environment. Designed to help students develop a functional level of bilingualism by the end of Grade 12.



Core French

All YK1 Schools with English Track
Programming Gr 1-12

- Offered in YK1 schools as part of the English program
 - Grades 1-9: 40-75 hours
 - Grades 10-12: 125 hours (optional)
- Provides the opportunity for students to acquire some basic French language communication skills by the end of Grade 12 and exposes students to French culture
- Most grade 5 students participate in French camps. NLA is used



Frequently asked questions

Why learn French?

Learning French gives students the opportunity to develop the skills necessary to:

- Speak, write and understand French confidently
- Pursue studies, training and jobs in French or English
- Converse in French at home, at work, when travelling, and make connections with other French speakers

Are French Immersion students taught the same program as those in English?

- Yes- curriculum outcomes for subjects other than French are the same
- Instruction, texts and resources are in French
- Both programs follow curricula approved by the Department of Education, Culture and Employment

What type of support is available to French Immersion students?

- Learning assistance (program support) similar to that of English programs
- Support staff are bilingual

Canadian Parents for French (CPF)

YK1 french programs are supported by Canadian Parents for French (CPF), a national volunteer-based organization of parents who value and promote French language learning opportunities.

www.cpf.ca or www.cpfnw.ca

French Program Offerings

École Itlò

(JK-5 100% French Immersion)
5700 51A Avenue, 867-873-3477

École William McDonald Middle School

(6-8 French Immersion, 6 Intensive French, 7-8 Post-Intensive French, 6-8 Core French)
50 Taylor Road, 867-873-5814

École Sir John Franklin High School

(9-12 French Immersion, 9-12 Post-Intensive French, 9-12 Core French)
4071 52 Avenue, 867-669-0773

Range Lake North School

(6 Intensive French, 7-8 Post-Intensive French, 1-8 Core French)
170 Borden Drive, 867-920-7567

Core French may be offered at YK1 Schools beginning in Grade 1 or 2

Mildred Hall School

5408 50 Avenue, 867-873-5811

N.J. Macpherson School

525 Range Lake Road, 867-873-4372

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