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Dear Parents, Guardians and Caregivers,

Please let me take this opportunity to say thank you for choosing HWDSB to help your child get off to the best possible start at school. At HWDSB, we know that each student is unique in his or her learning, and we work to ensure that our programs help all students reach their full potential. French Immersion is one such program.

French Immersion is a proven way of acquiring excellent language skills in French. The French Immersion program at HWDSB is specifically designed for parents who do not speak French, but want their children to speak both official languages. The program is open to all students in Hamilton-Wentworth starting in Grade 1. The following information sessions are planned for parents considering French Immersion as an option for their child:

7-8 p.m. Thursday, October 12 at Lawfield Elementary School (45 Berko Ave. Hamilton)

7-8 p.m. Wednesday, October 18 at Cootes Paradise Elementary School (900 King St. W., Hamilton)

7-8 p.m. Thursday, October 26 at A. M. Cunningham Elementary School (100 Wexford Ave. S., Hamilton)

7-8 p.m. Monday, October 30 at Fessenden Elementary School (168 Huron Ave., Ancaster)

7-8 p.m. Thursday, November 9 at Guy Brown Elementary School, (55 Braeheid Ave. Waterdown)

Parents may choose to attend the location or date most convenient for them.

Beginning this year, HWDS is using an application process for entry into French Immersion. Students who are registered by the **deadline of Thursday, November 30** are guaranteed a spot in the program. However, depending on space within the student's in-catchment school, some students may be placed at a school outside their catchment area.

More information about the application processes will be discussed at the information sessions.

We look forward to continuing our journey to excellence together.

Sincerely,

Bill Torrens
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Say Oui!
Bienvenue!
Apprenez!



French Immersion Registration

French Immersion is a proven way to acquire excellent French language skills. This HWDSB program is an option for students **beginning in Grade 1**.

Visit any French Immersion Information Night to see if this option is right for your child.

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Information on French Immersion is also available on our website at www.hwdsb.on.ca/fi or by talking to your school principal.