This program is designed for students whose first language is NOT French. Late French Immersion gives students the opportunity to enter into the French Immersion program, with the eventual goal of graduating from grade 12 with a bilingual Dogwood Certificate.



Another great learning opportunity for your child in Sooke School District 62



2016-2017 School Year: Information Session: JAN. 21st, 2016 6:30 pm Registration begins: JANUARY 25th, 2016 École Mémoriale John Stubbs School 301 Zealous Crescent

If you are interested in receiving more information about Late French Immersion, please contact the office at John Stubbs @ 250-478-5571

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WHAT IS LATE FRENCH IMMERSION (LFI)?



HOW LFI WORKS !

Late French immersion begins in grade 6 with all subjects taught in French.

Students meet the same learning outcomes as they would in an

English-speaking class. Some of the strategies employed to facilitate learning in French:

- short, simple sentences
- mime and drama
- songs

English Language Arts is reintroduced in grade 7 and students receive 80% of their instruction in French.

Late French Immersion students are in the same classes as their Early French Immersion counterparts in grade 8.

French instruction in grade 8 remains above 50%.

As students move to high school, French percentages are reduced.

By grade 12, one course is mandatory in French.

WHO MAKES A GOOD

CANDIDATE FOR LFI ?

Students who are motivated, willing to take risks and have a sincere desire to learn another language.

Students who are proficient in numeracy and literacy in their grade 5 class.

Students who are able to manage their time well, miss very little school, work well in groups and are not afraid to meet the challenges of the program (especially in the beginning of grade 6)



WHAT IF PARENTS DON'T SPEAK FRENCH?

LFI teachers communicate in English with parents. LFI parents can support their child by being interested in his or her learning, getting involved with the school, providing access to resources and supporting him or her with his or her work.

- Increase your ability to enjoy personal pleasures such as the arts, literature, music, and theatre
- 2/3 business executives in North America speak 2 or more languages.
- Learning additional languages triggers brain growth.
- Meet new friends from all over the Sooke District.
- Being bilingual gives you an edge in a job or getting promoted.
- Enhanced travel opportunities as a speaker of French.
- ♦ Find new ways to challenge yourself.
- In one of Canadian district, 98% of French Immersion graduates said they would choose the same program if they had to do it all over again.
- Become functionally bilingual in Canada's other official language.

