



**The 25<sup>th</sup> AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE IMMERSION 2015**

Organized by: SMD Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services  
In Cooperation with and held at: the Manitoba School for the Deaf (MSD)

July 6 – 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015: 7 levels from Beginners 1 to Advanced 2  
**(Note: Advanced 1 & 2 may be combined if not enough registration)**

Monday to Thursday 9:00 am to 4:30 pm daily & Friday 9:00 am to 3:30 pm  
(Free pizza for everyone – Friday at Noon)

**FAQ About the ASL Immersion:**

- Who attends? Family members, neighbours, friends, professionals, anyone...
- Who will be my teachers? Deaf instructors rotate through the classes every half-day.
- The Immersion is a place to learn ASL and get to know Deaf people and their culture in a fun and relaxed way.
- No tests, everyone passes!
- ASL classes run from 9:00 am to 3:15 pm, with short coffee breaks and a one-hour lunch. From 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm Monday to Thursday, there are mini-workshops on various topics ex: learning about Deaf culture, fingerspelling, etc. You attend the topic which interests you most and/or matches your ASL level.
- Where is the Manitoba School for the Deaf? 242 Stradford Street, near the west perimeter of Winnipeg.
- We may cancel specific class levels or the program, IF there are not sufficient numbers by June 5<sup>th</sup>. If a class level is cancelled, you will be notified and fully reimbursed.
- Can youth attend the ASL Immersion? Mature youth 13 yrs of age and older may attend. All youth under 16 years of age must be accompanied by an adult who is also attending the ASL Immersion. Please contact Claudine Bach for more information. Youth who have aides or workers in their regular school programs will also need a worker to attend the Immersion classes.
- Coffee Breaks: Everyday water, coffee, iced tea and powdered juice are provided to all students for free. If you require snacks or different beverages please bring your own.

**The Fun & Sign Program:**

A recreational program held in the MSD gym for children ages 5 to 12 years. Children registered **MUST** have a parent/caregiver who is attending ASL Immersion classes and who has transportation (for emergencies).

1. Priority will be given to children who need/use ASL (Deaf, hard of hearing & hearing) and/or their siblings.
2. This is not a school program for Deaf children. When approved, a detailed registration form will be sent for families to fill out.

**ASL IMMERSION – REGISTRATION DEADLINE**

<b>EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION JUNE 5TH</b>	<b>ASL IMMERSION - \$250.00 FUN &amp; SIGN PROGRAM - \$125.00</b>
<b>AFTER JUNE 5TH</b>	<b>ASL IMMERSION - \$275.00 FUN &amp; SIGN PROGRAM - \$150.00</b>

**WITHDRAWAL FEES: UNTIL JUNE 19TH, STUDENTS WILL RECEIVE A FULL REFUND LESS A \$25.00 ADMINISTRATION FEE. STUDENTS WITHDRAWING AFTER JUNE 19TH WILL NOT RECEIVE A REFUND (IF CANCELLING LUNCH, SEE NEXT PAGE).**

**NOTE: THIS IS A SCENT AND PEANUT/NUT FREE BUILDING.**

**DO NOT BRING ANYTHING WITH PEANUT BUTTER OR NUT PRODUCTS**

**ASL Family Subsidy:**

Family members who have a child / youth under the age of 18 years, who uses ASL for communication, may be eligible for the ASL Family Subsidy. The subsidy is to help pay for the costs of ASL programming for family members who need to learn ASL. There is a maximum subsidy of \$600.00 per year per family. This subsidy can be used towards helping pay for ASL Immersion registration fees, taking ASL courses in the community, in-home tutoring or a combination, to a maximum of \$600.00. The subsidy can be accessed if there is no other funding (Educational Authority, EIA, CFS, etc.) available. The subsidy cannot be used for Fun & Sign registration fees. For more information, or for an ASL Family Subsidy application, please contact Claudine.

**Lunch:**

We appreciate that dietary needs or preferences are not the same for everyone and unfortunately we cannot accommodate individual requests. Approximately 2/3 of the students bring their own lunches. If you are ordering lunch for your child, make sure they like the menu.

The menu for the week:

- Monday: Sub Sandwich (egg, tuna, ham, roast beef, chicken breast, cheese), self serve toppings (lettuce, spinach, onions, mushrooms, green peppers) & something sweet for dessert.
- Tuesday: Taco in a Bag (ground beef or ground veggie round) with trimmings, veggies with dip & ice-cream sandwich or yogurt bar.
- Wednesday: BBQ Grilled Chicken, caesar salad with dressing, garlic bread & watermelon.
- Thursday: BBQ Burgers (beef, chicken or veggie) on a bun, potato chips, coleslaw, jello/fruit salad & cookies.
- Friday: Free pizza for all students, staff and children – even if you haven't paid for lunches other days.**

\*Lunches are catered by Camp Kakepitay.

**Lunch cost: \$40.00 per person** for Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday.

**Lunch Refund Deadline: If you wish to cancel lunch or to get a refund, you must let us know by Friday, June 26, 2015 by 4:00 pm (so caterers have sufficient time to order food). After June 26<sup>th</sup>, there is no refund.**

**Residence for Out-of-Town Students:**

**Sorry, The Manitoba School for the Deaf' dormitory/residence will not be available this year.**

**HOTELS TO STAY AT:**

Howard Johnson Express Inn Winnipeg West  
3740 Portage Avenue  
204-837-5831  
[www.igohojo.ca](http://www.igohojo.ca)

Motel One Winnipeg West  
3760 Portage Avenue  
204-831-9800  
plus.google.com

Best Western Plus Winnipeg West  
4140 Portage Avenue  
204-594-2200  
book.bestwestern.com

Winnipeg West KOA  
588 Highway #1 West  
St. Francois Xavier, MB  
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\*If you do not have access to a computer (e-mail), please leave a voice message with Terry Leslie at 204-975-3074

**If Emailing:** Please type **ASL Immersion 2015** in the Subject Line so that we know you are not spam.

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