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## **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Parents/Guardians of Grade 6 Students

FROM: Janet Vivian-Walsh, Assistant Director of Education - Programs

SUBJECT: Late French Immersion - Application for Enrollment

DATE: January 04, 2011

The Eastern School District is currently accepting registration for Late French Immersion (LFI). Applications for enrollment will be accepted during the week of January 17 -21, 2011, at elementary schools where applicable. January 21<sup>st</sup> being the deadline for receipt of applications. Failure to meet this deadline may result in students not being able to avail of this program.

Late French Immersion is intended for any student who is interested in developing fluency in the French language. This is an intensive immersion program beginning in Grade 7 where approximately 70% of the curriculum is taught using French as the language of instruction decreasing to approximately 30% as students enter senior high school. A student accepted into Late French Immersion is expected to make a six year commitment to the program, from Grade 7 to Level III of senior high school.

Any student who has successfully completed Grade 6 can apply to the Late French Immersion Program. It is important to note that there are increased challenges, particularly in the early stages of the program, since subject area learning must occur while the language of instruction itself is being learned. For this reason, success in the Late French Immersion is strongly connected to a child's interest, commitment and motivation to learning in the French language.

As part of the registration process, your child's Grade 6 teacher will be asked to complete a recommendation form. You and your child should inform the Grade 6 teacher of the application so that this form can be completed and forwarded directly to the school principal.

You will be notified in writing indicating whether or not your child is recommended - Your child's Late French Immersion school will also be identified at that time, following the regular feeder system where possible.

For further information about the LFI Program, you are encouraged to attend an information sessions for parents/guardians organized in your area. At the information session, you will be given an opportunity to ask any questions you may have regarding the Late French Immersion Program.

If you have any further questions regarding the registration process, please contact Jacqueline Rideout, French Program Specialist by email at jacquelinerideout@esdnl.ca or by telephone 757-4640.



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## LATE FRENCH IMMERSION PROGRAM- REGISTRATION FORM

Please complete the following registration form. Applications must be received at your elementary school no later than January 21, 2011.

Name of Student:			
- 1	LAST NAME	FIRST	
Residential Address:	ADDRESS		
	ADDRESS		
	CITY	PROVINCE	POSTAL CODE
Mailing Address:	ADDRESS		
	CITY	PROVINCE	POSTAL CODE
Contact Information:	PHONE	CELL	EMAIL
Current Age:	Date of Birth:		
Current School:	SCHOOL NAME		DISTRICT REGION
LFI School Preference (Please note, where pos	sible, school preference w	ill be considered.)	
Father/Guardian:	NAME	FIRST LANGUAG	NE .
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	HOME TELEPHONE	WORK TELEPHO	NE
Mother/Guardian:	NAME	FIRST LANGUAGE	
	HOME TELEPHONE	WORK TELEPHO	NE
Names of siblings curre	ently enrolled in a French	Immersion program (Please in	ndicate school and grade):
than the regular elemen		e or had any experience in a Fr m? (e.g. Vacations, CPF Sumn	
Is French spoken at ho	me?		
SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN		DATE	



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o be	completed independently by students registering for Late French Immersion
Vame	<u> </u>
Curre	nt School:
.FI Sc	chool:
lease	answer the following two questions:
1.	Who or what has most influenced your decision to apply for the Late French Immersion program?
2.	Complete this statement:
	I want to be in the Late French Immersion program because