

Media Release

School District 2's French Second Language Programs 2010-2011

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Karen Branscombe, Superintendent of School District 2 announces the list of schools for French Second Language programs for the 2010-2011 school year. School District 2 held parent information sessions during the months of January and February to explain the Grade 3 Immersion entry point, the Grade 6 Immersion entry point and the Intensive French program. All students in grade 5 not in Immersion take Intensive French.

Over the past two years, changes to French Second Language programs in the Anglophone districts included: the elimination of Core French programs, the introduction of the Intensive French program which is supported by Pre-Intensive French in grade 4 and Post – Intensive French beginning in grade 6, an introduction of French language and cultural experiences to all kindergarten to Grade 2 students, a new curriculum in Grade 6 Late Immersion and the movement of the entry point for the Immersion Program to Grade 3 from Grade 1.

For parents who had expressed interest in the Grade 3 program at a school where it will not be available, their child will automatically be in the English Prime program. Principals will follow up with students registered for Grade 6 Immersion if the program is not an option at their school.

“School District 2 will continue to deliver French Second Language programs that enhance student learning and that help students reach their full potential. Students in either of the Immersion programs or in English Prime with the Intensive French program are receiving quality French instruction to further their second language skills. I am pleased that we remain strong and committed to this in School District 2”, stated Branscombe.

Schools offering the Grade 3 Immersion Entry Point:

A.H. McLeod, Bessborough, Birchmount, Claude D Taylor, Edith Cavell, Evergreen Park, Forest Glen, Frank L Bowser, Gunningsville, Lou MacNarin, Magnetic Hill, Queen Elizabeth, Salem Elementary, Salisbury Elementary, Shediac Cape, West Riverview and the new North End School

Schools offering the Grade 6 Late Immersion

Birchmount (includes grade 6 registrations from Queen Elizabeth and grades 6,7 and 8 students from Beaverbrook), Caledonia, Hillcrest, Lewisville Middle, Lou MacNarin, Petitcodiac Regional, Port Elgin , Queen Elizabeth –(Grades 7 and 8 only to complete their studies), JMA/Salisbury Middle, Riverview Middle and the new North End- grade 6 only- students from Evergreen and Magnetic Hill included)

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