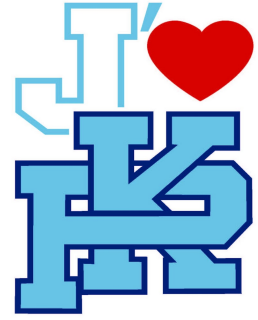


Le programme d'immersion française

French Immersion Program

Bienvenue à l'École secondaire
Paul Kane High School!



WHY continue with French Immersion? Pourquoi continuer avec l'immersion française?

For the many options and opportunities it provides. For all the incredible benefits of learning a second language and learning IN a second language. Students have already worked hard to get to this point, why not keep going?

Knowing a second language opens doors. Life is full of surprises 😊

WHAT is the *Bilingual Certificate*? Qu'est-ce que le *certificat bilingue*?

In order to successfully complete École secondaire Paul Kane High School's Bilingual Certificate, students must take a minimum of 45 credits including *French Language Arts* at every level (10, 20 and 30).

Completing the Bilingual Certificate is a great accomplishment that shows commitment and dedication to language learning and is a valuable and noteworthy achievement. A Bilingual Certificate also looks great on a resume!

WHAT are the benefits of French Immersion? Quels sont les avantages de l'immersion française?

After completing the French immersion program, your child will:

- be fluent in French
- be able to live, work and pursue post-secondary studies in French, English, or both languages
- be part of and have an understanding and appreciation of Francophone culture
- be proficient in English
- be able to appreciate other languages, cultures and communities in Canada and around the world

Research has demonstrated that students in French Immersion draw the following benefits:

- Develop their listening skills, focus and concentration;
- Learn organization, self-discipline and resourcefulness;
- Increase cognitive abilities to understand complex and abstract concepts;
- Enhance their ability to communicate in their first language;
- Acquire a third or fourth language much easier;
- Strengthen their problem-solving skills;
- Learn tolerance, insight and understanding of other cultures.

The French Immersion program opens many academic, cultural and career options for youth living in a global economy. Some areas where French is an asset include tourism, the diplomatic service, politics, teaching, research, marketing and the civil service. Bilingualism is increasingly viewed as an asset that enables greater mobility. The fact that individuals come from a bilingual country makes them more suited to understand and handle the various cultural sensitivities at play in the global economy.

WHAT is the difference between *French Language Arts (FLA)* and *French as a Second Language (FSL)*?

Quelle est la différence entre *French Language Arts (FLA)* et *Français langue seconde (FLS)*?

FRENCH LANGUAGE ARTS (FLA) 10-1, 10-2, 20-1, 20-2, 30-1 and 30-2

These courses are designed for students in the French Immersion program. *FLA 30-1* is a Diploma course. Students CANNOT challenge *French Language Arts*.

FRENCH 10 9Y, 20 9Y, 30 9Y (FSL)

These are courses designed for students following the school's regular programming (in English) who are wanting to learn *French as a Second Language*. *FSL* courses are NOT Diploma courses and therefore students CAN challenge these courses (school-based exams).

And one last bonus of immersion at PK ...

Et un dernier avantage du programme d'immersion à PK ...



DELF

French Immersion Graduates have the opportunity to write the DELF B2 Exam in Gr 12

The **DELF** (diplôme d'études en langue française) is an official diploma issued by the French Ministry for National Education to certify the French language competency of candidates outside of France. The DELF examination is recognized around the world, and can add extra value to your resume! The diploma is often used by administrative bodies, employers, and educational institutions. Paul Kane High School offers a bursary to students to write the DELF exam.

For more information on the DELF, please visit their website: <https://delf-dalf.ambafrance-ca.org/>

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For more information about the French Language Education in Alberta click on the link below.

<https://www.alberta.ca/french-language-education-in-alberta.aspx>