

It's time to apply for Grade 1 French Immersion!

French language programs at the WRDSB begin in Grade 1. To find out more about the French program pathways and learning opportunities for students, visit our website: www.wrdsb.ca/french/french-programs/ and watch our presentation or view our brochure.

The deadline to apply for the French Immersion lottery (Phase 1) is January 31, 2022.

French Programs offered by the Waterloo Region District School Board

The Core French program is a pathway that provides all students with the opportunity to learn French. There is no application required for Core French. The Waterloo Region District School Board also offers an optional French program called French Immersion. For the best chance of getting into the French Immersion program, students must apply to the lottery before January 31, 2022.

Who is eligible to apply for Grade 1 French Immersion?

All children born in 2016 are invited to apply.

How do I apply for French Immersion?

You can apply online at <https://frenchimmersion.wrdsb.ca>. We use a lottery system to form our Grade 1 French Immersion classes. Applications to the lottery are accepted until January 31 (Phase 1). We continue to accept applications up to the 20th school day of the Grade 1 year (Phase 2). If you need help, call 519-570-0003 ext. 4419 or email frenchprograms@wrdsb.ca.

When will we know if our child is placed in the French Immersion program?

Families are notified in early March if their child will be placed in French Immersion for Grade 1. Once your child gets into the program, you will have 2 weeks to click on the link sent to your email to confirm acceptance. If the child is not already attending the school, you must complete any student registration or transfer paperwork provided by the WRDSB. If a student declines their spot, students from the waiting list will be contacted to fill those spots.

Where to find more information about French programs

1. General information about French programs: www.wrdsb.ca/french/french-programs
2. How to apply for Grade 1 French Immersion: www.wrdsb.ca/french/grade-1-application/
3. Schools that have French Immersion: www.wrdsb.ca/french/schools
4. Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's): www.wrdsb.ca/french/faq
5. Presentation highlighting pathways: <http://bit.ly/WRDSBFSL>

6. Presentation explaining application process: <https://youtu.be/h7n6UsinB8I>
7. French Programs Brochure: <https://indd.adobe.com/view/03ec4d07-7a99-4ac6-aed9-346346416fc6>

If you have questions that have not been answered by the information on our website, please contact the Planning Department and Learning Support Services at frenchprograms@wrdsb.ca.

Translations

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<https://www.wrdsb.ca/french/grade-1-application/translations/>