

## Why learn a second language?

When making educational choices for their children, more and more parents are recognizing that knowing a second language is an important skill in today's ever-shrinking world - and will be even more important in their children's future.

### **FRENCH IMMERSION**

*Consider the many  
advantages!*

*Imagine  
the opportunities  
for your  
child!*



## Mission Public Schools

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**I'm learning French  
because...  
My brain gets a boost**

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Phone: 604.826.1414

**Ecole Christine Morrison K-6**  
32611 mcRae Avenue  
Phone: 604-826-6528

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**Ecole Mission Secondary**  
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***French  
Immersion  
Immersion  
Française***



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because...  
I've got a rendez-vous  
with the world*

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## Why French Immersion at Mission Central and Christine Morrison Schools

Ecole Mission Central and Ecole Christine Morrison are dual track elementary schools that offers both English and French immersion programs. Approximately 60% of all students at Ecole Christine Morrison and 30% of all students at Ecole Mission Central are enrolled in the French Immersion Program.

### Did you know?

- ◆ French is spoken by 128 million people worldwide.
- ◆ After English, French is spoken in more countries and on more continents than any other language.
- ◆ French is a language of diplomacy and a working language of international organizations, such as the European Economic Community, the United Nations, NATO, the International Monetary Fund. And the International Olympic Committee.
- ◆ Learning a second language past a certain threshold level improves general cognitive abilities and impacts non-verbal intelligences as well.

**Just Imagine the opportunities for your child !!**

### How Immersion works

At both schools, French is spoken in all subjects during kindergarten, grades 1 and 2. English language arts is introduced in grade 3

There are several characteristics that define French Immersion Programs:

- ◆ French is acquired primarily by using it for meaningful communication within the school.
- ◆ *Students begin not knowing French.* The instructional strategies and materials are designed with that in mind.
- ◆ FI begins with intensive instruction in French by teachers fluent in French.
- ◆ French immersion students easily transfer what they have learned to English reading/writing and quickly develop strong skills.
- ◆ Parents can and do help their children in this program. Parent involvement helps children learn.



### The Learning Advantage

French is a natural second language for many Canadians. Its strong presence throughout Canada makes it an important second language to learn.

Knowledge of a second language increases understanding and respect for other peoples and cultures. It increases educational opportunities through access to a wider range of educational institutions. Fluency in French provides a competitive edge in the Canadian job market.

French Immersion is a complete program offered from kindergarten to grade 12.

Come and see for yourself.

We would love to show you our French Immersion Program.

Our F.I. Information Evening is **January 12th, 2016** from 6:30–7:30 p.m. at Ecole Mission Central School in the library.



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because....  
More friends means more fun!

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