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Dear Grade Five Families:

We are pleased our school district's tradition of excellence in French Immersion programming will continue to thrive. Beginning in September 2021, Late French Immersion will be offered at Salt Spring Elementary School for grade 6 students. In September 2022, both grade 6 and 7 French Immersion will be offered at Salt Spring Elementary. Students may continue their French Immersion program at Gulf Islands Secondary School for grades 8-12.

Although Late French Immersion will be housed at SSE, it is a district program. All interested students may apply. Applications must be submitted to Salt Spring Elementary by March 1st and may be emailed to cengland@sd64.org or sjohnson@sd64.org. Registration applications can be found on the district website at <https://sd64.bc.ca/french-immersion/>.

All registration applications received by the March 1st deadline will be considered equal by merit of priority. Priority placement will be given to:

- Students currently enrolled in a French Immersion Program
- SD64 Students with an older sibling who is currently enrolled in or has completed the SD64 French Immersion Program
- SD64 Students with a Francophone family member living in the household

Remaining spaces will be given to students in the following priority order:

1. All other SD64 catchment students
2. All other non-SD 64 catchment students

If demand exceeds space, a lottery system will be used for student placement.

An information session will be held via Zoom on Feb. 9 at 6:30pm. All interested families are welcome to attend. To join the meeting, please click on the ZOOM link below:

<https://ca01web.zoom.us/j/67739015734?pwd=aDdKNmZtSHZIMjJSRVJvSFdMZ0lzZz09>

More information regarding Late French Immersion and French Immersion Programs can be found on the [school district website](#).

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school directly.

Sincerely,

Shelly Johnson
Principal