



Dear French Immersion Parents and Guardians

We are pleased to offer the opportunity for your child to sit the DELF Exam this school year. This opportunity is offered in partnership with Alliance Française and the exam dates will be made available in the spring of this school year. Please note that deadlines and exam dates are given by Alliance Française and are not in any way amenable to change. **It is imperative that your child respect the deadlines, they will not be offered extensions or accommodations for missed deadlines.**

The DELF exam will certify your child's proficiency in French and the diploma does not expire. This is an excellent opportunity as the diploma is recognized internationally, and is accepted at many Canadian post secondary institutions. The level your child is eligible for is B2.

A B2 Advanced Independent candidate can :

- understand the main ideas of complex text on both concrete and abstract topics, including technical discussions in his/her field of specialization.
- interact with a degree of fluency and spontaneity that makes regular interaction with native speakers quite possible without strain for either party.
- produce clear, detailed text on a wide range of subjects and explain a viewpoint on a topical issue giving the advantages and disadvantages of various options.

The exam is divided into 4 parts : written expression, oral expression, reading comprehension and listening comprehension. Students must score a minimum of 5/25 on each section of the exam and achieve a minimum total of 50/100 in order to pass the exam.

The exam cost is 195\$ and we recognize that this may be a barrier for some, and thus have dedicated a percentage of our department budget to offset some of the cost. The dollar amount per student is dependant on the number of students who register to sit the exam.

The written portion of the exam will be held at VanTech and will take approximately 2 and a half hours. Students will need to fill out a site based field trip form so that they may be excused from their classes. **The oral part of the exam will be held at Alliance Française Vancouver, 6161 Cambie Street Vancouver** (in between Oakridge mall and Langara campus). Students will be responsible for getting themselves to and from Alliance Française. **This portion of the exam, will not be supervised by VT teachers.** Parents/Guardians will need to call into the office and excuse your child's absence. Students will sign up for the oral portion which will be held the same week the written exam. Students will be notified once that portion of the registration is open.

Please note :

The exam does not replace the FRAL 12 literacy exam
The exam does not replace the double dogwood
The exam cannot grant completion of the French Immersion program

Should you have any questions please contact the French Immersion department head.