

Program & Services

We got a presentation on DELF (Diplome d'Etudes en Langue Francaise) an internationally recognized certification of French language abilities for non-native speakers of French. The presentation was given by Heather Anne Denton and Marc Albert Paquette of ESD. LBPSB will adopt the DELF framework and train teachers. A pilot program is being run at Beurling Academy, and an introduction to other schools is planned. This should address the long time complaint of many parents, that their children gain a lot of oral fluency in French in elementary school, and it is lost after a couple of years in high school. LBPSB will become one of the two places in Quebec where the DELF exam can be administered. The other center is at McGill. There is a cost to parents for the tests: \$105 for B1/B2 levels and \$65 for A1/A2. The test can be optional for parents, but the emphasis on oral proficiency introduced with the DELF framework should benefit everyone. The DELF proficiency levels are not recognized by the Quebec Government.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dipl%C3%B4me_d%27%C3%A9tudes_en_langue_fran%C3%A7aise

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