

Media advisory

Register your child in a French Catholic school

JK registration to take place in Nouvel-Ontario schools on January 24-25

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Parents wishing to register their child in our full-time Junior Kindergarten program and explore the benefits of French Catholic education are invited to visit the elementary schools of the Conseil scolaire catholique du Nouvel-Ontario (CSCNO) during its JK Registration event on Tuesday, January 24 and Wednesday, January 25. This event will be of interest to parents of children born in 2008 who will be attending school in September 2012. All parents who wish to explore the many benefits that a quality French language education can provide their children are cordially invited to attend, along with their families.

The Conseil scolaire catholique du Nouvel-Ontario offers a full-time Junior and Senior Kindergarten program in a motivating and caring environment. This proven program encourages children's spiritual, affective, social, and cultural development. It also promotes the acquisition of French in a minority setting as well as the academic success and cultural identity of French Catholic students.

The benefits of attending a French Catholic school are many and include: full special needs programs, a quality English language program starting in Grade 4 and ensuring sustainable bilingualism, a curriculum instilled with Catholic values, access to state-of-the-art technology, and an environment that nurtures and promotes a sense of Francophone culture and identity. CSCNO schools also attain superior academic results and its students graduate with a high level of bilingualism and a solid grasp of the French language.

Canadian citizens and landed immigrant families qualify for admission to CSCNO schools if they meet at least one of the following conditions:

- parent's first language learned and still understood is French
- parent received primary school instruction in Canada in French (excluding French immersion);
- a brother or sister has received or is receiving primary or secondary school instruction in Canada in French (excluding French immersion).

The CSCNO further extends this eligibility for Catholic French-language education to children of Canadian citizens whose grandparents' first language was French and who were entitled to French-language education, as well as to children born into immigrant families whose parents speak neither French nor English.

For more information, please call the Conseil scolaire catholique du Nouvel-Ontario at (705) 673-5626 or toll free at 1 (800) 259-5565, or visit the website www.nouvelon.ca.

The Conseil scolaire catholique du Nouvel-Ontario offers a French Catholic Educational Program that is recognized for its excellence. With more than 7,200 students in 27 elementary and 10 secondary schools, the CSCNO offers a positive learning environment from early childhood to adult education.

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