



Dear Parents and Guardians of FSL students,

Registration is now open for the Diplôme d'études en langue française (DELF). The DELF is an official certification given by France's National Ministry of Education to non-native French speakers after completing a set of proficiency tests. It is valid for life and is recognized anywhere in the world. Prairie Rose, in partnership with the Southern Alberta French Language Resource Centre, offer the opportunity for our students to take the DELF at A1, A2, B1 and B2 levels respectively.

The written portion of the B2 will be on November 18<sup>th</sup> and the B1 will be on November 19<sup>th</sup>. The written portion of the A2 will be on November 20<sup>th</sup> and the A1 will be on November 21<sup>st</sup>. The oral component will be the following two Saturdays at Crescent Heights High School. Exact times for the oral exams are provided closer to the date of the exam. **Registration deadline is October 18, 2024. Please note this is a hard deadline. Late registrations cannot be accepted.**

If you would like your student to participate in this exam, please complete the following Google Form:  
[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfeASvnyKEYUMAj0hEN7U3EfoXDSSjqLWfy1iA8HGng8MFT2A/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfeASvnyKEYUMAj0hEN7U3EfoXDSSjqLWfy1iA8HGng8MFT2A/viewform?usp=sf_link)

The application requests personal information, such as the student's nationality, because it is included on the Diploma from the Ministry of Education in France. If your student's first language is English, please choose "Anglais" which is the French word for English. The full cost of the exam is \$200 per student; however, the French Language Resource Centre subsidizes this amount. The \$30 registration fee is being covered by the division so there is no cost to students.

#### **Why complete the DELF? A DELF diploma offers:**

1. International recognition of French proficiency:
  - Lifelong certification, whether obtained in the candidate's country or another country.
  - Based on the same international standard used in 164 countries (CEFR).
  - Facilitates interprovincial dialogue across Canada.
2. A testimonial to one's success in learning French:
  - Recognition of the candidate's accomplishments to date on the path to French proficiency.
  - Is an official document, recognized internationally, that enriches the candidate's school or professional portfolio.
3. Advantages for postsecondary education:
  - Recognized internationally by francophone postsecondary institutions, including a growing number in Canada.
  - Acceptance into a university in France (B2 or higher level).
4. Enhances one's resume:
  - A description in meaningful terms what the candidate is capable of in French.
  - An aid for professional advancement.
  - Helps to open doors to a wide range of career and recreational opportunities throughout Canada and around the world. If you have any further questions, please contact your teacher or me at the below email address.

Results and certificates will be sent to your child's teacher who will then send them home.

If you have any further questions, please ask your teacher or contact me at the email address below.

Thank you,

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