## THE FRENCH IMMERSION PROGRAM IN MANITOBA



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## **OVERVIEW**

The Bureau de l'éducation française has created a renewed vision for the French Immersion Program in Manitoba in response to its evolving needs and current research. Building on the rich heritage of the Program, the present document will guide the future direction of French Immersion in the province.

The vision lays the current foundation for a renewed program where students benefit from a rich French Immersion experience and where they develop their French language proficiency, achieve academic success, and cultivate their plurilingual identity.

The vision is intended to support educators as they lead students on the path to becoming proud, confident, engaged, plurilingual global citizens. It is important that both parents and students also be aware of the renewed vision so they understand their shared responsibility in its realization.

The vision will orient our thinking and decision-making, inform instruction and assessment, and guide conversations with parents and students, ensuring the full implementation of the French Immersion Program in our communities. With student success in mind, one must continuously reflect on the following:

How do we sufficiently engage students in learning and using French so that they acquire the necessary language competency to communicate effectively, become confident in their linguistic abilities, and see the relevance of French in their lives as they live as plurilingual members of society?

To this end, the document presents:

- the vision of the French Immersion Program in Manitoba
- a diagram of students' pathway in French Immersion, illustrating how this renewed vision is experienced and lived by students
- pedagogical practices that support the realization of the vision

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