

French Immersion in Manitoba

French Immersion Students in Manitoba: Proud, Engaged, Global Citizens

For educators, administrators, superintendents, trustees, teacher candidates, parents and partners

Conference March 18, 2011

Victoria Inn
1808 Wellington Avenue
Winnipeg, Manitoba

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This conference will focus on students, their pathway from learning in the classroom to living bilingually, and how educators and parents accompany them. You will have the opportunity to listen to an internationally recognized speaker, participate in engaging workshops and round table discussions and network with colleagues from around the province.

Program

8:00 – 9:00 AGM for AMDI
 8:30 – 9:00 Registration and coffee
 9:00 – 9:30 Opening remarks
 9:30 – 10:45 **Speaker: John Ralston Saul**



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This keynote address will explore the following questions:

- In 2011, what role does the French Immersion Program play in the context of Canadian bilingualism?
- How do we ensure that students attain bilingual competency and identify themselves as bilingual speakers?
- How do we, as educators and parents, support students in becoming lifelong language learners who participate in society as global citizens?

10:45 – 11:00 Health break

11:00 – 12:00 Round table discussion and questions

12:00 – 13:00 Lunch

13:00 – 14:00 **Panel Discussion**
Engaging Students to Pursue Lifelong Bilingualism

Former students will share their thoughts on the French Immersion experience; motivations, challenges and transition into adult life.

14:00 – 14:15 Health break

14:15 – 16:00 Participants will have an opportunity to participate in 1 of 4 workshops

1) Counterbalancing form-focused and content-based instruction in immersion pedagogy (in French)
Roy Lyster, McGill University

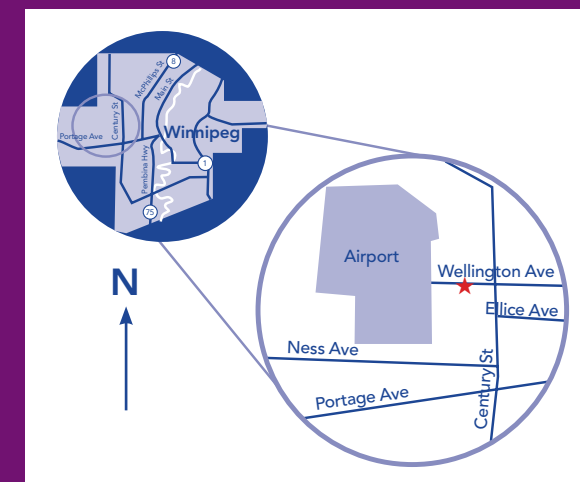
2) Inclusion in the French Immersion Program – Case Studies (in English)

3) The role of parents in supporting bilingual learners (in English)

4) Daily oral communication in French Immersion (in French)
Rachel Soufi, Bureau de l'éducation française Division

A detailed description of the workshops is found on our website.

Conference Location



Rooms have been reserved at the Victoria Inn for conference participants. To reserve a room call the hotel directly at **204-786-4801** or **1-877-842-4667**. Please make reference to this conference when you reserve your room.

Reservations must be made no later than Friday, March 4, 2011.

Free parking is available.

We would like to acknowledge the following partners.



Conference Registration 2011

- I will attend the conference.
 I will also participate in the AGM for AMDI from 8:00 to 9:00 (School administrators only).

Name: _____

School/Organization: _____

School Division: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Position:

- Assistant superintendent Superintendent
 Language coordinator Teacher
 Parent Trustee
 Principal Vice-principal
 Teacher candidate Other

Workshop selection (afternoon session) : # _____

No conference fees.

Lunch will be provided.

Please complete the registration form and submit by **February 18, 2011** to:

French Immersion Conference
Bureau de l'éducation française Division
Attention: Maude Plourde
309-1181 Portage Avenue
Winnipeg, MB R3G 0T3

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The conference will be held in both official languages.

Registration limited to 250 participants