

York Catholic District School Board

ST. JOHN XXIII CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN UNIONVILLE IS OFFERING BOTH ENGLISH AND FRENCH IMMERSION CLASSES

French Immersion programs are designed to provide non-francophone children with a high degree of proficiency in the French language. While any exposure to a second language is beneficial, French Immersion broadens and deepens that experience.

In addition to its excellent English program, **St. John XXIII CES** offers an **Early French Immersion program**.

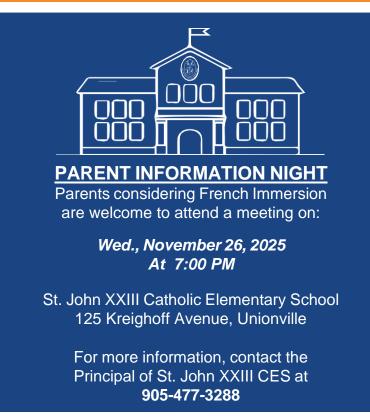
A Parent Information Night will be held on Wednesday, November 26, 2025, to introduce and explain the Grade 1 French Immersion Program.

The **online application process** for students entering **Grade 1 in September 2026** will open on **Thursday, November 27, 2025**. Families can access the **online application** following the presentation at www.ycdsb.ca/frenchimmersion.



Transportation will be provided to French Immersion Students living within the St. John XXIII CES French Immersion Boundary.

- Students in grades 1 to grades 3, residing 1.2 km beyond the school and within the FI boundary will receive transportation.
- Students in grades 4 to grades 8, who live beyond 1.6 km and live within the French Immersion transportation boundary will receive transportation.
- * Students are required to walk a short distance to and from centralized bus stops *







ONLINE APPLICATION AVAILABLE FROM: Nov. 27, 2025 – Jan. 22, 2026

****PLEASE NOTE: IT IS CRITICAL THAT PARENTS UNDERSTAND THAT ALL STUDENTS EVEN IF IN ATTENDANCE AT AN FI SCHOOL, MUST APPLY ONLINE TO INDICATE INTEREST*****

Where the number of applicants exceeds the number of available placements in the program, a public lottery will be held on January 28, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. at St. John XXIII CES