

Dear parents and guardians of current and upcoming French Immersion students,

On behalf of the Canadian Parents for French (CPF) BC & Yukon branch, welcome to another exciting year of the French Immersion program in Ridge Meadows! CPF is a group of volunteers dedicated to the creation and promotion of French second-language learning opportunities for young Canadians.

A local CPF Ridge Meadows chapter is like a PAC for the schools with French Immersion streams in our district, and we support Core French learning as well.

## We need you!

Your French second language community is urgently looking for new volunteers to reignite the CPF Ridge Meadows chapter by taking on executive roles. With an executive team, your community can access funding opportunities for your schools that promote French language learning through real life experiences that then become memories that last a lifetime.

## What can a CPF chapter do?

- Organize all kinds of fun and exciting events and activities including shows, plays, movies, festivals, and more all in French!
- Offer resources to parents, especially those who don't speak French, so they can support their children at home.
- Work alongside the school board, district language coordinators, principals, and teachers to help create unique learning experiences both inside and outside the classroom.
- Support students at all levels of learning; those who begin in Early French Immersion (EFI) in Kindergarten or Grade 1, those who begin in Late French Immersion (LFI) in Grade 6, and all the way through the French Immersion (FI) program as students graduate from Grade 12 with their Dual Dogwood diploma, as well as students learning Core French.
- Access an extensive network of thousands of members in BC and the Yukon who are continually advocating for better French programs for our kids.

Executive members include a President and Vice President as well as the positions of Secretary and Treasurer. These volunteers typically commit one to ten hours a month to chapter functions.

Chapter executive volunteers work with CPF branch staff to access funding for French language activities. We have an extensive network of volunteers and staff to provide resources and ideas for your community.

If you are interested in supporting and staying connected to your children in their French second language journey, accessing the benefits of the nation-wide CPF organization, and finding more about what we do, please attend a virtual info session on:

Monday Feb 26 7pm

RSVP at <a href="mailto:karyan.ng@cpf.bc.ca">karyan.ng@cpf.bc.ca</a> to receive the zoom link.

Merci,

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