



## FRENCH PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

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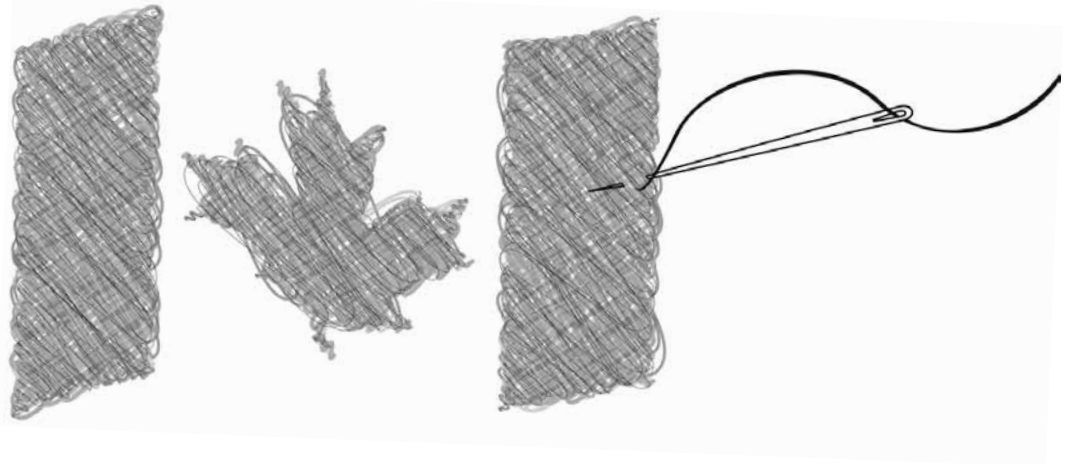
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### The texture of Canada

*“A fabric is woven of many threads. Those of us who speak English and those of us who speak French—ourselves made up of many different elements—have joined together to weave a social fabric called Canada.”*

—Office of the Commissioner  
of Official Languages



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### French programs and services objectives

- Ensure communication in French for French as a First or Working Language (FFWL) members.
- Promote the involvement of FFWL members in professional issues and matters of public interest pertaining to French as a first and second language education.
- Support the work of the Advisory Committee on French Programs and Services.
- Support the work of the SEPF local, and the APPIPC and BCATML provincial specialist associations.
- Support FFWL teachers before the BC College of Teachers. Provide professional development activities which meet the specific needs of FFWL members.
- Publish the French version of the new teacher handbook.
- Organize the presentation of French workshops at the annual New Teachers' Conference.
- Supply information to FFWL teachers seeking employment in British Columbia.
- Co-ordinate the translation of BCTF documents into French.

## Services in French

- Communication in French by dialing 604-871-1869 or 604-871-1844
- BCTF documentation upon request.
- Support for FFWL members.
- Putting forward FFWL priorities during provincial bargaining.
- *Coup d'œil sur la francophonie de chez nous* newsletter.
- The [bctf.ca/francais.aspx](http://bctf.ca/francais.aspx) web page and [www.fecb-appipc.ca](http://www.fecb-appipc.ca)
- Professional development workshops in French:
  - *Éducation planétaire tant dans la classe qu'en dehors* (Global education in and beyond the classroom)
  - *Éducation planétaire pour un développement durable* (Global education for a sustainable future)
  - *Classroom activities for Core French teachers*
  - *Le français, je le parle!* (I can speak French!)
  - *La lecture, ça me parle* (I love to read!)
  - *Évaluation au service de l'apprentissage* (Assessment for learning)
  - *Pleins feux sur la culture* (Focus on culture)
  - *Le dépistage des problèmes d'apprentissage* (Screening for learning difficulties)
  - *Le climat dans l'école* (Creating positive school culture)
  - *La gestion de classe* (Classroom management)
  - *Rompre le silence: parler de la question gay et lesbienne dans les écoles* (Breaking the silence: Talking about lesbian & gay issues in school)
  - *Du silence à l'action : Pour contribuer à un climat sûr et accueillant à l'école pour TOUS* (From Silence to Action Supporting a safe and welcoming school climate for ALL)
  - *Histoire et culture des Premières Nations et la déclaration des Nations Unies sur les droits des peuples autochtones* (Aboriginal history, culture, and the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People)
- Présentations en français pour les parents
  1. *Stratégies de prévention de l'intimidation dans les écoles* (Antibullying)
  2. *Les garçons et les filles apprennent différemment comment peut-on les aider ?* (Raising confident boys and girls)
  3. *Comment aider votre enfant à apprendre* (Supporting your child's learning)
- The *bctf-enfrancais* mailing list.
- Professional activities.
- French resources for internal mediation. Peer support for FFWL members.

<b>BCTF</b>	British Columbia Teachers' Federation
<b>FFWL</b>	Members for whom French is a first or working language
<b>FPS</b>	French Programs and Services
<b>SEPF</b>	Syndicat des enseignantes et enseignants du programme francophone de la Colombie-Britannique (Local 93)
<b>APPIPC</b>	Association provinciale des professeurs d'immersion et de programme cadre
<b>BCATML</b>	BC Association of Teachers of Modern Languages

### **Advisory committee terms of reference**

- To advise the Executive Committee on the needs and concerns of French immersion and Programme Francophone teachers.
- To review educational change as it pertains to French education as a first and second language.
- To advise the Executive Committee on bargaining, on professional development, and on other organizational matters as they relate to French as a first or working language (FFWL) members.
- To review BCTF policy statements and objectives as they relate to FFWL members.

### **Committee priorities 2011–12**

- Lobby the BC Ministry of Education to enhance and expand Core French offerings and ensure ongoing professional opportunities for Core French teachers.
- Actively promote the retention of French immersion programs in all school districts in the province.
- Maintain and expand the BCTF French coalition with Francophone and Francophile partners and organizations in BC and Canada to better serve FFWL members.
- Maintain contact with various provincial and national teacher organizations involved in the teaching of the French language in Canada, in order to provide support to BCTF members that use French as a first or working language.
- Ensure more involvement of French as a first or working language members at the next AGM and with other provincial and local committees during the year.
- Monitor the federal funding for French programs that is distributed to school districts through the BC Ministry of Education to better ensure that the funds are spent to provide resources and training to FFWL members.
- Ensure that all French as a first or working language members are aware of and can benefit from the new French BCTF developed workshops.

- Ensure access to BCTF information in French by members whose first or working language is French (FFWL).
- Organize and promote programs and activities that support the retention of FFWL members in the teaching profession.

### **Advisory committee on French programs and services 2011–12**

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