



The Welcome and Support Team for Newcomers in Schools of the Francophone South School District (District scolaire francophone Sud (DSFS) provides a wide range of services designed to help students from immigrant backgrounds and their families successfully integrate into the school community

Programme des travailleurs d'établissement dans les écoles Vous accueillir, avec plaisir!

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## INFORMATION AND ORIENTATION SESSIONS FOR **PARENTS / STUDENTS**

#### THE SCHOOL SYSTEM (PART 1)

Learning how the New Brunswick school system works, including its academic programs and extracurricular activities.

Throughout the year, starting from the first days following enrollment



INTENDED AUDIENCE Parents (Individually or groups)

## INFORMED PARENTS, THRIVING CHILDREN: SUCCEEDING IN THE SCHOOL SYSTEM (PART 2)

Equip parents to better understand the expectations, standards, and realities of the school environment through concrete strategies and tailored resources that help them build confidence, improve communication with the school, and foster a positive and inclusive educational experience.

Start of October Start of January **End of March** Start of May



INTENDED AUDIENCE Parents

## **NEWCOMER ORIENTATION DAY**

An orientation day for newcomer families: Partner booths, associations, and clubs offering extracurricular activities.

September



INTENDED AUDIENCE Parents

#### HIGH SCHOOL PATHWAY FOR STUDENTS

Get more detailed information about high schools (Grades 9 to 12), the credit system, course selection, and earning a high school diploma.

Throughout the year, starting from the first days following enrollment



INTENDED AUDIENCE Parents and High School Students

#### HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT LIFE - HOW TO PREPARE, INTEGRATE, AND GET INVOLVED!

Equip and support students from immigrant backgrounds to better integrate into high school, make the most of their school experience, and learn about academic programs, extracurricular activities, summer jobs, and post-secondary education opportunities.

S1: september S2: January



INTENDED AUDIENCE High School Students – Parents (optional)





## INFORMATION AND ORIENTATION SESSIONS FOR **PARENTS AND / STUDENTS**

#### THE KEY TO VOLUNTEERING IN CANADA, PARTICULARLY IN THE SCHOOL SYSTEM

This training highlights the positive impact of volunteering on the integration of parents and youth into their new community and guides them toward volunteer opportunities within the school system.

End of september Start of may Start of march



INTENDED AUDIENCE \$1. Parents

S2. Parents

S3. High School Students

#### ROUNDTABLE / ANNUAL CONFERENCE - TOPIC TO BE DETERMINED

A yearly conference focused on practical strategies to overcome challenges and encourage integration.

January



INTENDED AUDIENCE Parents

#### SUMMER CAMPS AND FRENCH-LANGUAGE ACTIVITIES IN THE **DIFFERENT REGIONS**

Share information about summer camps and French-language activities offered in the community during the summer.

May



INTENDED AUDIENCE Parents

#### TOOLS FOR COMMUNICATION BETWEEN FAMILIES AND THE SCHOOL.

Learn about the most common communication tools and platforms used in the school system.

At registration, throughout the vear



INTENDED AUDIENCE Parents

#### **DIGITAL TOOLS IN HIGH SCHOOL**

Allows students to become familiar with various educational apps, online learning platforms, as well as the software and programs used in the school system.

At registration, throughout the year



INTENDED AUDIENCE High School Students





# PRE-RECORDED WEBINARS AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT THE YEAR ON THE DSFS WEBSITE

## The school system

Understand New Brunswick's school system and how your child's school operates.

**INTENDED AUDIENCE** Parents

## How to prepare for winter in Canada in the school context

A session with practical advice for winter in Canada and how to best prepare to ensure that every child is comfortable and safe while continuing to do well at school.

**INTENDED AUDIENCE** Parents

Services to support newly arrived families at school and in the community.

Present the services offered in the school system and in the community to support the integration of new families.

**INTENDED AUDIENCE** Parents

## The journey to High School for 8th grade students

Get more detailed information on High School, the credit system, the choice of classes and graduating with a High School Diploma.

**INTENDED AUDIENCE** Parents and High School students



# SETTLEMENT AND INTEGRATION ACTIVITIES FOR PARENTS / STUDENTS

## **March Break Camp**

MARCH BREAK

A one-week camp for newly arrived students, offering a variety of fun and recreational activities. Young participants will have the chance to make new friends while integrating into their new school community.



**INTENDED AUDIENCE** Students (3rd to 12th grade)





# SETTLEMENT AND INTEGRATION ACTIVITIES FOR PARENTS / STUDENTS

## **Volunteer Program**

Throughout the school year

## MAY

The volunteer program for parents from immigrant backgrounds within the school system offers a valuable opportunity to gain an initial work experience in a Canadian setting and to build a network of contacts that can ease their settlement. Throughout their first year, participating parents receive training sessions and individualized support. By taking part in this program, they also contribute to the SAANA team's efforts in organizing educational, cultural, and social activities designed to support the integration of students from immigrant backgrounds and their families into the Canadian school system.

**INTENDED AUDIENCE** Parents













## Advisory Committee

THROUGHOUT THE SCHOOL YEAR

**Description**: This activity aims to bring together school, community, and post-secondary partners to strengthen collaboration around the needs of students from immigrant backgrounds as they transition to post-secondary studies. The committee provides a forum to discuss challenges, share resources, and propose concrete actions to support young people in their academic journey.

INTENDED AUDIENCE School, community, and post-secondary partners

## Social and cultural club

THROUGHOUT THE SCHOOL YEAR

**Description:** After school hours, the social club offers a wide range of cultural and sports activities and workshops to help new students integrate socially and culturally.

Where: Offered in a few DSFS schools.

INTENDED AUDIENCE Students (6th to 12th grade)



## **Pairs Leaders Program**

THROUGHOUT THE SCHOOL YEAR

**Description**: the Pairs Leaders program is designed for students in Grades 10 to 12 who wish to acquire and develop leadership skills. The program emphasizes collaboration, self-awareness, independence, and a sense of belonging.

It is primarily intended for high school students from immigrant backgrounds within the DSFS who want to contribute to their school and community as leaders and mentors for newly arrived students. Students who successfully complete the program will receive a credit.



INTENDED AUDIENCE

Students (10th to 12th grades)









## **Exhibition "Refuge Tent"**

**APRIL** 

**Description**: The Refuge Canada Tent is an immersive exhibition created by the Canadian Museum of Immigration at Pier 21. Designed to resemble a refugee tent, it raises awareness of the realities experienced by refugees while highlighting Canada's role in the global refugee crisis. This project addresses the need for intercultural education and community awareness in both school and social settings.

# My Community, My Home

MAY

**Description**: This after-school program offers students and their families a series of cultural and community activities to help them better understand and appreciate the place they have chosen to settle in. By discovering local traditions, seasons, passions, and people, each family is invited to build connections, put down roots, and make this new community their home.

# Launch into Employment

AVAILABLE STARTING JANUARY 2026

**Description**: A project designed to equip high school students to enter the job market by providing tools, advice, strategies, and region-specific resources, helping them integrate smoothly into the workforce and showcase their skills.

**ACTIVITIES OFFERED: Video segments** 

**PUBLIC CIBLE** High school students.

## **Initiatives for students** To be booked by school staff

OFFERED DURING THE SCHOOL DAY

**National Francophone Immigration Week** 

FROM **NOVEMBER 3 TO 7** 

Several activities are planned to celebrate National Francophone Immigration Week and highlight our cultural diversity.

PROPOSED ACTIVITIES:

Reading and activity focusing on diversity Kindergarten to 5th:

Screening of films and short videos

Workshops and activities on diversity. 6th to 12th: Screening of films and short videos

Kahoot! diversity quiz, virtual escape room and treasure hunt.

For a class or group of students – Kindergarten to Grade 12 **INTENDED AUDIENCE** 

(activities according to the age group).

Limited spaces! Reserve as soon as possible with your SWIS

More information to be announced during the school year.

## **Black History** Month

**ALL OF FEBRUARY** 

A variety of activities to highlight Black History Month and showcase the significant contributions of Black individuals to our community, as well as to the history of Canada and the world.

**PROPOSED ACTIVITIES:** 

Kindergarten to 5th : Guided readings with short presentations and small-

group activities.

6th to 12th: Option 1: A Human Library

Option 2: Let's Explore Diversity Through Art!

For a class or group of students – Kindergarten to Grade 12 INTENDED AUDIENCE

(activities adapted to the age group).

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## **Country of the Month**

**OCTOBER TO APRIL** 

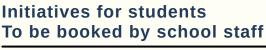
Through the 'Country of the Month' project, students will have the opportunity to discover the richness and diversity of several cultures.

PROPOSED ACTIVITIES: A variety of enriching presentations and activities on a country or a culture present in our schools.

INTENDED AUDIENCE For a class or group of students – Kindergarten to Grade 12 (activities tailored to the age group).

Limited spaces! Reserve as soon as possible with your SWIS

Contact your SWIS for more details about this project



OFFERED DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR



**Workshop: Inclusion, it starts with me!** 

**ALL YEAR** 

A range of activities aims to raise students' awareness of diversity and inclusion issues, preparing them to actively contribute as agents of change in their school community.

**INTENDED AUDIENCE** 

For a class or group of students – Kindergarten to Grade 12 (activities tailored to the age group).

Contact your SWIS for more details or to book a workshop



# Anti-Racism Workshop

MAY

Being anti-racist is not an opinion, it's an action.

This workshop invites students to recognize both visible and invisible injustices and to take concrete steps to build an inclusive and respectful school environment.

**INTENDED AUDIENCE** Students (6th to 12th)

Contact your SWIS for more details or to book a workshop



# Workshop: Combating Misinformation and Disinformation

NOVEMBER TO APRIL

This activity will allow participants to practice and develop their critical thinking skills. They will learn to identify disinformation and fake news, as well as to engage in constructive, empathetic conversations with members of their community who may have been influenced by such misinformation.

**INTENDED AUDIENCE** Students (6th to 12th)

Contact your SWIS for more details or to book a workshop

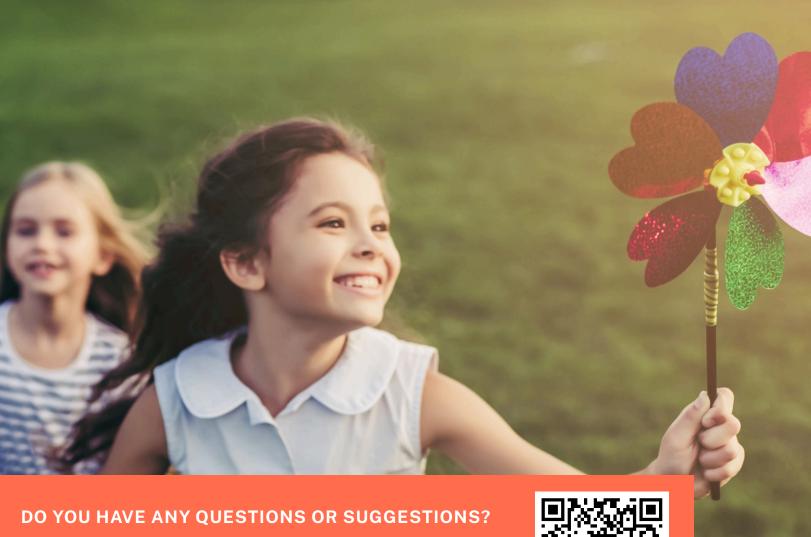
Dates may differ depending on the region/school.

Details will be shared with those concerned throughout the school year









Do not hesitate to share this with your school worker (SWIS)/(family-school liaison agent) or a member of the reception and support team



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