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Franconnexion promotes the benefits of bilingualism to Yukon students

WHITEHORSE—High school students enrolled in French programs at four Yukon schools will participate in Franconnexion sessions to connect the French they learn in the classroom with the real-life benefits of being bilingual.

Franconnexion sessions bring together grade eight and nine French first language and French second language students for workshops and cultural activities that help students see the value of French language skills outside the classroom.

"Bilingualism can open up the world for youth," Minister of Education Doug Graham said. "Franconnexion is a unique opportunity for students in all French language learning streams to come together and embrace the value of being bilingual."

Guided by French-speaking individuals from the community and French language monitors, the sessions arranged for Yukon students include activities such as yoga, sports, visual arts and dance.

Two sessions will be held:

- Monday, November 30, for students from Vanier Catholic Secondary School and Académie Parhélie; and
- Friday, December 4, for students from Porter Creek Secondary School and F.H. Collins Secondary School.

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