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Findings of French Second Language parent survey released

WHITEHORSE—The Government of Yukon has released the findings of a fall 2015 survey of Whitehorse parents on French Second Language programs.

"I thank all of the parents who took the time to participate in this survey," Minister of Education Doug Graham said. "Their input will help ensure that we continue to provide the right French Second Language options for Yukon students."

The survey sought feedback about Yukon's Core French, Intensive French and French Immersion programs. The results will help the Department of Education plan the future direction of French Second Language programs.

The survey questions were developed in partnership with Canadian Parents for French, a volunteer group that promotes French Second Language learning opportunities for Canadian schoolchildren.

The survey was completed by 1,712 parents of Whitehorse school-aged and pre-school-aged children—54.5 per cent of all parents contacted. Responses came from parents of children at every Whitehorse school and in all grades from kindergarten to Grade 12.

"Among other findings, the survey revealed which factors parents consider important when deciding whether to choose programs such as Early or Late Immersion," Graham added. "The survey has also provided insight into how we should communicate with parents to help them make informed decisions about which options are best for their children."

In mid-February, the French Second Language Working Group, which comprises government and non-government members, reviewed the survey findings as part of its work to make recommendations for a new five-year action plan for programs and initiatives in Yukon.

Learn more:

Read the survey report

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