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Government of Yukon to offer French fluency exam for eligible students

The Government of Yukon will provide the opportunity for French Second Language students in Grades 11 and 12 completing the final French course of their program to participate in the *Diplôme d'études en langue française* (DELF) exam starting this April.

The DELF exam is the official French language studies diploma awarded by France's Ministry of National Education. The exam tests the ability to use French in real-life situations and evaluates students on four language skills: reading, writing, listening and speaking. It is an official certification recognized in 165 countries and demonstrates fluency to employers and post-secondary institutions.

The exam will be offered this year from April 24 to 26, 2017, and the Government of Yukon will cover the cost for participating students. A public information night on Wednesday, March 15 at Vanier Catholic Secondary School at 6:30 p.m. will provide an opportunity to learn more about the exam as well as French language programming and outcomes for high school students.

Quotes

"The Department of Education is pleased to provide the opportunity for students to obtain a DELF international certification. Fluency in French language opens doors and creates opportunities for further education and employment. This exam is a wonderful option for our Yukon students."

-Minister of Education Tracy-Anne McPhee

Quick facts

- The DELF exam is not mandatory and does not affect a student's grades or graduation requirements.
- The exam will be available this year and in future years to Yukon students enrolled in French Second Language programs.
- French Second Language programs include French Immersion, Core French and Intensive French.
- The Government of Yukon will cover the cost of one exam per student.
- The DELF exam will be administered with support from the University of Calgary French Centre.

Learn more:

DELF exam
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