

October 10, 2025

Since 2013, the teaching and learning of French as a Second Language (FSL) in the province of Ontario has been informed by the release of *A Framework for French as a Second Language, K-12* by the Ontario Ministry of Education and the Ontario Curriculum documents for FSL, (2013) for Grades 1-8, and (2014) for Grades 9-12 respectively. All aforementioned documents have been influenced by the *Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR)*. The CEFR describes the competencies that second language learners need to develop in order to communicate and interact effectively. It presents four levels of language proficiency from beginning user (levels A1 and A2) to independent user (levels B1 and B2). Mastery levels (C1 and C2) can be pursued during post secondary education.

KPR will once again offer the opportunity for our Grade 12 students enrolled in an FSL program (Core, Extended or Immersion) to challenge the DELF (Diplôme d'études en langue française). The DELF exam is an international external attestation of proficiency in French, as laid out in the CEFR. Successful completion of the DELF exam allows students to earn a diploma at their chosen level that is internationally recognized and valid for life.

In concert with the Ontario DELF Centre, KPR is offering interested students two windows of opportunity to challenge the DELF this academic year. The first window begins during the week of November 17, 2025, where students have a choice of challenging either the A2 or the B1 proficiency levels. There will also be a second window of opportunity in April 2026.

Students will be invited to register for the November 2025 DELF exams by their FSL educators. The DELF exams will take place at **Kirby Professional Learning Centre**, **located at 3675 Concession Road 7,Clarington**, **LOB 1M0**. Parents and Guardians are responsible for ensuring that their child has transportation to and from the site. FSL educators will assist students in determining the appropriate DELF level that they should challenge. For more information, please consult the <u>Diplôme d'études en langue</u> française - Kawartha Pine Ridge District School Board website.

Key messages: DELF November 2025

Grade 12 students who are interested in challenging the DELF should consult with their FSL educators to determine their appropriate proficiency level.

- Families must complete the <u>Online DELF Registration Form</u> (also available through the link posted on the KPR DELF website) by <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>October</u> 22nd, 2025 at 4:00 p.m.
- Parents/guardians must complete and return the signed consent form to your child's FSL educator no later than Wednesday, October 22nd, 2025 at 4:00 p.m.
- When registering, if a student has an IEP (Individual Education Plan), this needs to be signaled so that appropriate accommodation can be put in place where appropriate.
- A non-refundable \$60.00 DELF administration fee must be paid exclusively through School Cash Online by Wednesday, October 22nd, 2025 at 4:00 p.m. to reserve an examination time.
- Your secondary school secretary has the School Cash Online link that is unique to your child's secondary school.
- The DELF is an internationally recognized assessment of proficiency in FSL, it is not a required component of the FSL program.
- The DELF is administered by specially trained KPR FSL educators.
- Only students enrolled in an FSL course for the 2025-2026 school year are eligible to participate.
- Students who have previously challenged the DELF are not eligible to participate.

For more information about the DELF, an internationally recognized attestation of language proficiency, please visit the <u>Diplôme d'études en langue française - Kawartha Pine Ridge District School Board</u> website.

Please feel free to contact Julie-Anne Pellerin, Instructional Leadership Consultant - Literacy and FSL Support, Kawartha Pine Ridge DSB should you have any questions: julieanne_pellerin@kprdsb.ca or (705) 742-9773 Ext 2310.