



Ici on parle français – PD grants for FSL teachers

Earl of March Café Français

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What We Did

We organized a school-wide event celebrating the French language and culture for our school and community. Lessons and units were provided to French teachers to help them highlight French culture. Activities planned included the whole school, both Immersion and Core French students, and were designed to entertain and engage. As classes participated in activities, they worked towards creating materials to showcase their French at our school's first annual Café Français. This event included contributions from all of our French classes, and included a Café where parents and members of the community could attend and be served in French by our Core French students. (The school paid for the food and refreshments served at this event). Classes set up booths for parents to tour that illustrated work done in French throughout the classes. The evening ended with a presentation of live and pre-recorded acts in our auditorium, emceed by students from our Immersion and Core classes.

**Because of a shortage of OTs we were not able to meet as often as we anticipated and therefore did not use the full amount of our grant, not through lack of trying.



What We Learned

Our community wants to engage in activities like these that highlight the students' work. Our planning provided authentic opportunities for students to use their French.

This year's planning has allowed us to generate ideas to further develop curriculum next year, should this grant be offered again.



How We Shared Our Learning With Others

We opened lines of communication with our staff, pulled from previous experiences to shape our event.



Links to Our Work

[Café Français 2025 Planning Document](#)



Any Next Steps We Have To Continue Our Learning

We are in the planning stages for next year's café; preparing units for teachers to use in their classes. We are hoping to benefit from this grant again to secure release time for planning.