



# Giving a new impulse to French language and culture!

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## What is a Civic Community School?

It is a partnership that seeks to redefine the relationship between communities and schools in order to encourage all parties to commit to fostering success for learners of all ages and thus help our communities flourish.



## How does that work?

It can be achieved in different ways, such as...





## Who participates?

**All members of the community are invited to take part, including:**

Decision-makers, learners of all ages, families, teachers, school principals and administrators and citizens.



## How can we accomplish this?

**First, by taking a fresh look at the relationship between schools and their community. Schools and communities must work together.**

**Then, everyone has a role to play...**

### **EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS OFFICIALS SHOULD:**

- Foster the transmission and appropriation of language and culture in schools and in the community by involving community members
- Promote citizens involvement in learning
- Participate in community development

### **COMMUNITY MEMBERS SHOULD:**

- Actively support francophone community organizations and French-language educational institutions
- Participate in their development and thus ensure their vitality and sustainability
- Foster the continuum of French-language education



## What are the advantages?

**There are several!**

- ✓ Increased attractiveness of the French language and culture
- ✓ Better use of French-language programs and services
- ✓ Closer ties between generations
- ✓ Raised awareness of French-language post-secondary education
- ✓ Enhanced citizen commitment
- ✓ Development of citizens' skills in French
- ✓ Rise in school enrolment
- ✓ Positive media coverage of Francophone communities
- ✓ Pride in Francophone identity
- ✓ Empowerment of the Francophone community and educational network

**In short, the Civic Community School is an educational system that lives up to the aspirations of our communities.**

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