

# International and Indigenous Languages Elementary Program



## About the Program

The International and Indigenous Languages Elementary (IILE) program is available through Virtual (online) learning. Halton students who are from Junior Kindergarten to Grade 8 are eligible to participate. Pending Covid-19 developments, the course may be offered at a later date in several locations throughout the Halton Region. Not all languages are offered at all locations.

The course focuses on the three basic skills of languages: reading, writing and speaking.

## Dates and times:

September to June Classes: Either Friday nights 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. or Saturday mornings 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

## Registration Instructions:

If you have had a student in our program in the past, **do not create a new account**. Please [use your existing login](#) information to register. This will make the process quick and easy for you! If you have lost this information, please email us at [int-lang@hdsb.ca](mailto:int-lang@hdsb.ca). Please log in regularly to update any information as it changes (address change, home school change etc. ) Incorrect or out of date information may result in a delay in approving your child's registration.

**For families new to the program**, please be sure to [create an account](#) using the parent/guardian name. You will be asked to add your child afterwards. It is VERY IMPORTANT that all of your child's registration information is accurate and current and that you register your child using their LEGAL name.

[Registration Tutorial](#)

Due to the number of students, all communication will be done through email, so be sure to use a valid email address when registering.

## **Frequently Asked Questions:**

### **1) How do I register my child into the program?**

If your children have already taken one of our courses, you will already have a log in and password. PLEASE DO NOT CREATE A SECOND ACCOUNT. If you need help to access your account, email: [int-lang@hdsb.ca](mailto:int-lang@hdsb.ca)

NEW USERS: Once you complete this one-time registration, you will be able to enroll your child in our language programs each year with just a few simple clicks!

You must create a user account for yourself - as the parent (NOT your child.) Next, 'Add a family member' (your child), and fill out the information .

Now, select a class to enroll your child to attend.

Be sure to log in if your child's information (ie. home address, phone number) changes.

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Please contact us at 905 632-2944 x 148 or [int-lang@hdsb.ca](mailto:int-lang@hdsb.ca) if you require assistance or have questions

### **2) How old does a child have to be to be registered for the program?**

Children who are currently of age to be in JK to Grade 8 may register for the International Language Elementary Program.

### **3) Information about the 'Materials Fee'**

We are not charging a materials fee for the 2020-2021 Full Year IILE Program.

### **4) How many students will be in a class?**

We require 23 students to run a class.

### **5) What happens if there aren't enough students enrolled to run a class?**

If we have to cancel a class, we will notify the parents by email.

### **6) Will my child be in class with other children with the same understanding of the language or the same age group?**

The instructor of the class will divide the class into groups by age as well as by understanding of the language, and will teach appropriate lessons to each group.

If there are multiple classes running at the same site, classes will be divided by grade.

### **7) My child will not be able to attend the entire course. Can he/she still come to some of the classes?**

Yes. We ask that you inform your instructor if you know they will be missing classes or you are withdrawing you child.

### **8) Will there be other adults in the classroom? (in-class learning only)**

In some circumstances, the instructors will have an assistant or a volunteer who is approved by the Halton School Board and has provided a Vulnerable Sector Police Check.

For security reasons, no other adults may stay on school property during class time.

### **9) What happens if I can't pick up my child immediately after class? (in-class learning only)**

There will be NO staff to supervise students after class. Please be sure to pick up your children on time.

For safety reasons, children who are left unattended before or after class more than one time will be removed from the program. The material fee will not be refunded.

### **10) Can my child take more than one language class?**

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Yes. Your child can take two classes if they run on different days of the week.

eg: Arabic on Friday evenings and German on Saturday mornings.

### **11) How do I find out about cancelled classes?**

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Cancellation of class due to holidays and Inclement Weather will be posted on our website [www.garyallan.ca](http://www.garyallan.ca) and on Facebook: [www.facebook.com/HaltonElementaryInternationalLanguageProgram/](https://www.facebook.com/HaltonElementaryInternationalLanguageProgram/)

Should an instructor be ill or otherwise unable to attend class, every effort will be made to offer the class with a qualified supply teacher. If this is not possible, we will contact you via email and/or phone.

Classes do run on all PA Days unless the date falls on a Holiday weekend.

### **12) My child has allergies/medical conditions. What does the school need?**

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Email us at [int-lang@hdsb.ca](mailto:int-lang@hdsb.ca) or call us at 905-632-2944 x 148 and we will send you the appropriate forms to fill out.

For online/virtual classes, we do not need the medical forms.

### **13) How will I be contacted?**

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All communication regarding the course will be done by email.

In emergency situations, staff will attempt to contact parents/guardians by phone.

Under rare circumstances, some documentation may be mailed to the parent/guardian at their home address.

### **14) O.E.N What is it and where can I find it?**

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O.E.N. Stands for Ontario Student Number. It is a unique 9 digit number assigned to each Ontario Student by the Ministry of Education. This number can be found on your child's report card .

Your child may not have an O.E.N. if they are in Junior Kindergarten, are Home-schooled, or attend a private school.

### **15) My child is NOT a student in the Halton Region. Can he/she still take part?**

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No, this program is only open to Halton Students.

If your child is from another region, he/she must take the course in that region. Please contact that school board for information on courses that they offer.

### **16) The language or location I wish to enroll my student into is not listed. Why not? (in-class learning only)**

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All classes and locations are conditional on sufficient enrollment. Additional languages may be offered based on demand.

If a language is not offered, please email [int-lang@hdsb.ca](mailto:int-lang@hdsb.ca) with your request.

New languages require a minimum of 22 students to run and can be offered as soon as 3 months after being approved.

French and English are not offered, as they are Canada's official languages and currently run as a part of the home school day school program.

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