



SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 69 (QUALICUM) 2017-18" KINDERGARTEN" AND "PROGRAMS OF CHOICE" INFORMATION

**REGISTRATION: JANUARY 23 – 27 and JANUARY 30 – FEBRUARY 3, 2017
9:30 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.**

Board Policy 7015 Excerpt: "The Board of Education believes that, in general, students should attend their neighborhood school. Transfer of a student to a school outside of his/her catchment area will be considered upon written application of the parent to the Superintendent of Schools"

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Qualifying Age: To qualify for school enrollment in September 2017, a child must become five years of age on or before December 31, 2017.

Required Documentation: Proof of Age for student (Birth Certificate or Passport); Proof of Residency (see SD69 website for list of acceptable documentation or contact catchment area school: <http://www.sd69.bc.ca/About/Student%20Registration/Pages/default.aspx>)

Where to Register: Please register at your neighbourhood (catchment) elementary school. Attendance boundary information is available at each school or by contacting the School Board Office at 250-248-4241.

CROSS BOUNDARY INFORMATION

Cross Boundary Process: Parents wishing to enroll their Kindergarten child at an out-of catchment school within the district are to **make their request upon registration at their catchment school** and complete an "Application for Cross-boundary Enrollment for Following School Year" Form. All "Application for Cross-boundary Enrollment for Following School Year" forms must be submitted during the months of February and March (first Monday in February to last Friday in March – prior to Spring Break). **Early applications will not be accepted.**

PROGRAMS OF CHOICE

School District 69 (Qualicum) is proud to offer a range of Programs of Choice that provide unique and innovative learning opportunities for our diverse student population.

Programs of Choice are staffed consistent with the district's overarching methodology and philosophy regarding financial prudence. For these reasons, Programs of Choice classrooms are often (like regular classrooms) organized into combined grade configurations. All program options either align with or support the B.C. curriculum and help provide a pathway towards Grade 12 graduation.

The Board of Education is committed to Programs of Choice placement sustainability to the best extent possible, but must balance this commitment with emergent building capacity pressures, and the importance of students being able to attend their neighbourhood school. All Programs of Choice are reviewed annually as part of the budget process. Programs of Choice typically generate much interest and are continued each year, however they can be subject to cancellation due to enrollment and budgetary considerations. Please note that space in these programs is limited.

Please see the following link for further information regarding District Programs of Choice:
<http://www.sd69.bc.ca/Programs/Education%20Programs/Pages/default.aspx>

INFORMATION SESSIONS:

CEAP Program The Collaborative Education Alternative Program provides a blended-learning kindergarten program that consists of home-schooling in addition to being supported by scheduled student activities at Qualicum Commons – CEAP classroom. Learning resources as well as support for parent(s) is provided by the program teacher.

An information session for parents considering the CEAP Kindergarten program will be held Tuesday, January 24, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. in the CEAP classroom at Qualicum Commons, 744 Primrose Street, Qualicum Beach. For more information, please contact the program at 250-752-5628 or visit the CEAP website at www.ceap.ca

French Immersion: French Immersion is intended to develop fluency in French learning to functional bilingualism. Students study in French while following the regular BC Curriculum Learning Standards. The French Immersion Program for Grades K – 7 is located at Oceanside Elementary School. The French Immersion Program for Grades 8 – 12 is located at Ballenas Secondary School. **Please apply at appropriate school.**

NOTE: An information session for parents considering the Early Immersion Kindergarten program will be held Thursday, January 19, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. at Oceanside Elementary School. For more information, please contact Oceanside Elementary School at 250-248-4662.