

May 10, 2017

## Dear Parents and/or Guardians of Grade 7 French Immersion Students:

In May 2018, the North Vancouver School District will offer grade 8 French Immersion students from across the district the opportunity to travel to Quebec City for a unique educational experience. This trip, arranged in collaboration with Auberge du Mont (<a href="http://www.aubergedumont.qc.ca/eng/">http://www.aubergedumont.qc.ca/eng/</a>) an organization specializing in educational programs for French Immersion students, is rich in linguistic, historical and cultural experiences. The District French Immersion trip next year will take place from May 13, 2018 – May 19, 2018.

The 2018 District Quebec Trip will take Grade 8 French Immersion students to the heart of French-Canadian culture. Students will be accommodated in a mountain resort just a short drive from Old Quebec, and supervised by North Vancouver School District employees and Auberge du Mont staff members. There will be French Canadian guides for all planned activities who will converse with students exclusively in French.

Parents and students interested in learning more about the 2018 District Quebec Trip are invited to attend an information meeting on **Tuesday, May 30, 2017** at 7:00pm at the Education Services Centre, 2121 Lonsdale Avenue, in the Mountain View Room on the 5<sup>th</sup> floor. The meeting will outline a trip itinerary and provide details on trip costs, supervision, and the expectations of students prior to and during the trip. Parents and students wishing to attend this information meeting should register with Kathleen MacIver at <a href="mailto:kmaciver@sd44.ca">kmaciver@sd44.ca</a>. Please note that this trip will be limited to 60 students; registration will be done on a first come, first served basis beginning June 5th, 2017. (Registrations will not be processed at the May 30<sup>th</sup> parent meeting.)

This unique travel experience will provide Grade 8 French Immersion students with valuable cultural connections to French Canada, and many authentic opportunities to practise their French conversational skills. We believe that the 2018 District Quebec Trip will excite and engage students in their French studies, as they continue in the Secondary French Immersion program. We hope that you will consider this educational opportunity for your child.

Sincerely,

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