



We are pleased to introduce **the Impromptu Category** to the 2017 Le Concours et festival d'art oratoire. In recent years the paradigm shift in the teaching and learning of French has had an impact on the classroom. The professional discussions taking place across the country about the action-oriented approach, spontaneous discussions and authentic tasks have been instrumental in the creation of this category. This category promotes fluency and the ability to speak on the spot.

The development of the Impromptu Category is in part based on the underlying principle that all students can learn. It reflects a growth mind set which supports the notion that FSL programs are enriched by including a diverse group of learners. Inclusivity is encouraged through differentiated activities and student choice.

Who can participate?

FESTIVAL: GRADES 4 – 8

Ontario students from Grades 4 to 8 who are enrolled in an FSL program during the current school year can participate. They will take part in a **non-competitive Festival** in the **morning** on **Saturday, May 6, 2017** at York University's **Glendon Campus** in Toronto.

CONCOURS: GRADES 9 - 12

Ontario students from Grades 9 to 12 who are enrolled in an FSL program during the current school year can participate. They will participate in a **competitive Concours** which is held in the **afternoon** on **Saturday, May 6, 2017** at York University's **Glendon Campus** in Toronto. Students must compete in the grade in which they are enrolled even if they are taking a higher level/grade French course.

Note: students in a program like the International Baccalaureate can still participate even if they are not in a French program in the current school year.

Fee

The **\$65** per student registration fee must be received by **April 3, 2017**. The fee is **\$100 per student** for registrations received between **April 4 and April 22**. Please note that the registration fee is non-refundable after April 22. **Please make cheques payable to Canadian Parents for French (Ontario).**

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Date and location

Saturday, May 6, 2017 at York University's Glendon Campus, 2275 Bayview Avenue in Toronto. Visit [Glendon Campus](#) for directions.

How can your School Board register?

1. Complete the online **School Board Registration** form by **November 17**. This form indicates your intention to participate and the estimated number of students you will be sending. **The actual number of participants is not required at this time.**
2. Students participate in 4 categories: **Core, Extended, Immersion and Francophone**. Each category is divided into four Grade groupings: **Grades 4-6, 7-8, 9-10 and 11-12**.
3. **The maximum number of students permitted per Grade and Category is:**

1 STUDENT PER 50,000 STUDENTS in your school board.

Entire School Board Student Population (Elementary & secondary combined)	Number of eligible students per category
up to 50,000	1
50,001 – 100,000	2
100,001 – 150,000	3
over 150,000	4

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