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**To:** Teachers and Parents

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**Re: Explore, Odyssey and Saskatchewan-Quebec Student Exchange Programs**

The Student Achievement and Supports Branch is pleased to promote three exciting opportunities for students who want to begin learning or continue learning French as an additional language while exploring the country.

*Explore* is a five-week intensive language-learning course. Students do not need to speak French to apply. Participants in *Explore* receive a \$2,200 bursary covering tuition fees for the course, instructional materials, sport and cultural activities, meals, and accommodations. Students can also receive university credit for this five-week immersion program. Students may now apply for the program after having completed at least grade eleven or one year of studies at the postsecondary level. The application deadline is February 28, 2015.

*Odyssey* is a full-time language assistant program. Participants travel to Quebec or New Brunswick where they lead English-language activities in an elementary, secondary, or postsecondary classroom to assist the teacher. Participants are paid \$20 an hour, working 25 hours per week over nine months. The application deadline is February 28, 2015, and students are eligible for the program after completing at least one year of postsecondary studies.

The *Saskatchewan-Quebec Student Exchange Program* is a six-month reciprocal exchange for students in grade ten and eleven to improve their knowledge of French and Quebecois culture. Applications are made when students are in grade nine or ten, and the exchange takes place the following year, in grade ten or eleven. Participants from Saskatchewan are first paired with participants from Quebec. From September to December, Saskatchewan families will host their Quebec partner in their homes and schools. From February to April, Saskatchewan students will be hosted in Quebec by their exchange partners and their families. Participants are asked to pay a \$300 fee to cover partial cost of airfare. The application deadline is February 15, 2015.

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Need more information? Visit us online at [www.myexplore.ca](http://www.myexplore.ca), [www.myodyssey.ca](http://www.myodyssey.ca),  
[www.education.gov.sk.ca/exchange](http://www.education.gov.sk.ca/exchange).

Your cooperation in this project which provides French-language learning opportunities for Saskatchewan students is much appreciated.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "B. Périllat". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "B" and a long, sweeping underline.

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