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Good morning,

I'm reaching out in regards to the French Immersion program in Lake Country. My son () has recently been placed on the waitlist for French Immersion at Peter Greer for Kindergarten. We have a time stamp of 7:05:32 the day of registration. Our time stamp was slightly delayed due to confusion with current Strong Start registration which we actively attend at Peter Greer.

I am a French Canadian, born and raised in Quebec with a bilingual husband. We have 3 children (being our first to start school) whom we had planned to send to French Immersion for their schooling up until and including High School as we speak French at home. I'm reaching out as I've heard in the community that enrollment into the later years of the program has been a challenge, especially with the new funding for the local Middle School (H.S. Grenda) and High School (George Elliott) programs.

Considering our family actively speaks French and we had intended on having our 3 children complete the full program, I'm wondering if there is a plan to open additional spaces to ensure the pipeline of children starting the program will ensure a strong number of students completing the program into High School.

Thanks for your consideration,

Sophie Harrison