



École Centrale

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École Centrale Class Composition Communication

École Centrale Classroom Placement Process

As we head into the last portion of the year, we are starting to think ahead to next year. Part of our thinking ahead includes beginning to collect information for class placements for 2024 – 2025 school year. Placing students into classrooms is a team process with input from administration, classroom teachers, resource teachers and specialists. It is our strong belief that the learning atmosphere in the classroom must be the first consideration in the formation of class groupings. Classes are organized to maximize learning and teaching opportunities for students and for teachers. We make every effort to minimize the potential for negative student interactions. Staff teams strive to create classes that are heterogeneous and balanced in all respects. This year we may have several combined classes.

The following are all considered when determining class lists:

- Range of student abilities
- Students with additional needs information
- Social dynamics among students
- Learning and working styles
- Placement of students new to École Centrale
- Male/female ratio
- Family considerations (twins, siblings, cousins, etc.)
- Approximately equal class sizes at any grade level
- Combined classes will usually have a lower-class size



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Parents can assist the class formation process by helping their children to understand the importance of class formation and supporting placements that have been made. It is our professional responsibility to ensure balanced classes which maximize learning for all students at École Centrale. This is a complicated and multi-faceted task for teachers. Our teachers have a wealth of collective knowledge regarding how individual children learn and socialize. While staff members have much of the information required to create balanced classes, parents may want to provide us with specific input about the learning needs of their children. Helpful information may include learning and work styles, needs for structure, etc. As a result of the reasons outlined above, **requests for specific teachers cannot be accepted**. If you have information regarding your child that would be helpful to our team for the 2024 - 2025 school year, please fill out the form following this link. <https://forms.office.com/r/jrV8jVGaSG> or email mwilliams@retsd.mb.ca by May 10, 2024. Thank you for your patience and understanding throughout this challenging task.

Please note: The school reserves the right to make the final decision based on the overall educational needs of all students at a particular grade level. All placements are subject to staffing changes. Class placements will be included in the June report card. To aid our planning for the fall, we are asking any families who are planning to move over the summer to inform the school office as soon as your plans are confirmed. As well, if you are aware of new families with school age children moving into our designated area, please encourage them to contact the school as soon as possible.