Our Shared Goal: A quality, learner-focused, second language program that is...

inclusive, accessible, flexible and sustainable.

BUNDLED OPTION: Dr. Knox Middle School

2017 – Dr. Knox becomes a DUAL TRACK MIDDLE SCHOOL

> Hudson Road Elementary or Mar Jok Elementary or Rose Valley Elementary adds Grade 4 middle immersion entry and possibly intensive French in West Kelowna

FRENCH IMMERSION: Kelowna Secondary / KLO Middle (Casorso, Dorothea Walker, Belgo, George Pringle Elementary) and Dr. Knox Middle (Glenmore Elementary, Peter Greer Elementary)

ENGLISH: Kelowna Secondary / KLO Middle (South Kelowna, Casorso, Raymer, <u>A.S. Matheson Elementary</u>) and Dr. Knox Middle (Glenmore, Watson, North Glenmore, Bankhead Elementary)

STRENGTHS	CHALLENGES
No displacement of current English students at KLO Middle or Dr. Knox Middle Dr. Knox Middle has room to add portable(s) A.S. Matheson is closer to KLO Middle and Glenmore Elementary is closer to Dr. Knox Middle Dr. Knox Middle and KLO Middle have same grade configuration, both feed to Kelowna Secondary, similar timetable Glenmore is largest French Immersion population so this will immediately relieve pressure at KLO Middle West Kelowna French Immersion cohort grows by adding middle immersion at second elementary location Glenmore French program and English program peer groups stay together	Glenmore is largest French Immersion population, and will increase enrolment at Dr. Knox Middle - 60 students/ year – portables will be necessary Grade 4 middle immersion may add an additional transition for some elementary students

SHORT TERM PLANS 2017-2019

- > Constable Neil Bruce Middle or Glenrosa Middle School becomes 3rd dual track middle school starting with grade 6 in 2019
- ➤ Offer grade 6/7 late immersion program at Constable Neil Bruce Middle or Glenrosa Middle School
- > strengthen core French program
- > offer DELF (Diploma in French Language Studies) assessment to any child exiting the program

FRENCH IMMERSION:

- Kelowna Secondary / KLO Middle (Casorso, Dorothea Walker, Belgo Elementary) and Dr. Knox Middle (Glenmore, Peter Greer Elementary)
- > Constable Neil Bruce Middle or Glenrosa Middle School (<u>George Pringle Elementary, Mar Jok Elementary/Hudson Road Elementary/Rose Valley Elementary</u>)

STRENGTHS	CHALLENGES
French Immersion more accessible for decentralized families	Costly to open new programs (library, resources, staffing, etc.)
Supports multiple entry and exit points	May not be enough qualified French Immersion teachers for all programs
More choices for French Immersion teachers	Constable Neil Bruce Middle option: would require a catchment area change for an
Constable Neil Bruce Middle option: central location for French Immersion program students	elementary school, therefore relocating English program students
Glenrosa Middle School option: facility has space	Glenrosa Middle School option: location not as central for some French Immersion students

LONG TERM PLANS 2019-2025

- ➤ Belgo Elementary becomes single track and/ or adds Grade 4 middle immersion
- > A Westside Secondary School adds French Immersion program starting in gr 9 in 2022
- > Intensive Language (French as a Second Language and/or other languages) and/or Grade 6 late immersion added to dual track middle schools

FRENCH IMMERSION:

- Kelowna Secondary / KLO Middle (Casorso, Dorothea Walker, Belgo Elementary) and Dr. Knox Middle (Glenmore, Peter Greer)
- A Westside Secondary School / <u>Constable Neil Bruce Middle or Glenrosa Middle School (George Pringle Elementary, Hudson Road Elementary or Mar Jok Elementary or Rose Valley Elementary)</u>

STRENGTHS	CHALLENGES
French Immersion more accessible for decentralized families Supports multiple entry and exit points Students are more involved in French Immersion choice when entry is later Intensive Language opens opportunity to non-French Immersion students to develop stronger skills in a second language (not limited to French); lifelong value of conversational fluency in any language is worth changing how we look at 2 nd language across the board Belgo Elementary is 33% English; re-directing to nearby elementary school will support English students in feeling more connected, address class composition issues Belgo Elementary has room to grow both early (K/1) and middle immersion (Grade 4) programs	Costly to open new programs (library, resources, staffing, etc.) May not be enough qualified French Immersion teachers for all programs (i.e. specialized secondary teachers may be difficult to source) Excludes English students from their community school; Increases traffic congestion; reduces active transportation choices for families making it less environmentally sustainable No French Immersion middle/ secondary program located in Lake Country