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Laurier Macdonald High School Admission Policy

Admission Procedures

Laurier Macdonald High School is a public school that serves students from Secondary 1 to Secondary 5. All students from the English Montreal School Board may apply to Laurier Macdonald High School for any of the programs offered. Students coming from another school board are also welcome to apply, but they must provide an Interboard Agreement— a document that permits them to attend a school outside the territory of the school board where they live. This document can be obtained by contacting the board that has jurisdiction over your place of residence and providing a valid reason for attending a school in another board. The agreement must then be submitted to the school board you wish to attend.

Admission Procedures

Students applying to any program at Laurier Macdonald High School must follow these steps:

- Refer to the Academic Programming section on Laurier Macdonald’s website.
- Choose a program.
- Complete the registration form on our website.
- Send the student’s Grade 5 report card to the school.
- Come to the school to complete documentation and bring the original Certificate of Eligibility and the birth certificate.
- Depending on the chosen program, attend a placement examination.

If the deadline for completing the online form has passed, parents must come directly to the school and complete the remaining steps listed above.

Core program

No placement exam is required for students applying to the Regular Core program, the Resource program, or the Aim High program. Students applying to Laurier Macdonald High School for the Regular Core, Resource, or Aim High programs must provide a Certificate of Eligibility. Under Québec’s Charter of the French Language, students must possess a Certificate of Eligibility to attend an English-language school.

Regular Stream requirements

Students applying to Laurier Macdonald High School for the Regular Core The Core Program is part of the regular secondary school program mandated by the Quebec Education Ministry. There are no requirements to register in this program. Students in this program may still register for advanced and enriched options, if they meet the specific qualifications for those courses.

Resource program requirements

The Resource Program is part of the regular secondary school program mandated by the Quebec Education Ministry; however, it provides students with a smaller class size in English, French and Math. Students with particular special needs may qualify to enroll in this program, which runs from Secondary 1 to 3. An Individualized Education Plan is required. In Secondary 4 & 5, these students will integrate into our regular Core Program.

Students seeking admission to the Resource and Aim High programs must be recommended by their elementary school. To be admitted into either program, students must have a documented diagnosis of a learning disability or behavioural/psychological issues and must be coded. A current IEP is also required. In addition, case conferences are held with the feeder elementary schools to determine their recommendations. Once students are admitted into the Aim High program, a meeting is held with all students and parents to explain the program.

IB/SÉBIQ program requirements

When registering, students may choose to apply to the IB Middle Years Programme (MYP). In November of the preceding school year, prospective students take a placement exam as part of the MYP admission process. Once accepted, students follow a pathway that meets both IBMYP requirements and the expectations of SÉBIQ (Société des écoles du Baccalauréat International du monde du BI du Québec et de la francophonie). Students who follow an Individualized Education Plan may register for any of the academic programs, provided they meet the eligibility requirements. They are welcome to participate in the selection process and are provided with necessary accommodations, such as extended time to complete the examination or access to special computer programs. Laurier Macdonald High School supports students in all programs by promoting best-practice principles.

The IB/SÉBIQ Program is part of the International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme and provides students with enriched level courses. It is intended for students who completed the IBPYP (Primary Years Programme) in elementary school and/or for those looking for a more rigorous academic profile. Students must successfully complete an entrance exam in order to be placed in the IB Program. Moreover, students must have a minimum average of 80% in English, French, Math and Science in their Grade 5 end-of-year report card.

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