# **ABOUT US**

Sherwood Heights Junior High School is a vibrant community of 600 grade 7 to 9 students located in the heart of Sherwood Park.

### **DIVERSITY IS OUR STRENGTH**

percent of our school population is in our French Immersion program. We also serve Honours, Logos Christian, IMPACT and regular English programs.

#### PRIDE IN OUR VALUES

Perseverance Respect Integrity Distinction Enthusiasm



A proud member of Elk Island Public Schools.

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# WHY CHOOSE FRENCH IMMERSION?

# 01 Improved Academic Ability

Learning a second language increases cognitive ability. People who are bilingual tend to have better attention and multi-tasking abilities than people who are monolingual.

# 02 Better Decision-Making Skills

Bilingual people are more likely to take favourable and calculated risks when making a decision, and are less biased, more rational, and more systematic in their reasoning.

# 03 Increased Career Opportunities

Jobs in education, healthcare, social work, politics, translation, tourism, and international business require or favor candidates who are bilingual, resulting in more job opportunities.

#### 04 Enhanced Creativity

Students learning a second language are exposed to a diversity of culture and language that sparks creativity of thought and expression.

## 05 Boosts in Memory

According to studies from York University and the University of Granada (Spain), bilingual students perform better at tasks requiring working memory.

#### FRENCH LANGUAGE STAFF

25

percent of Sherwood Heights staff members speak Frenchincluding our counsellor, administrators, Physical Education and Health teachers.