



AN ENGLISH EDUCATION, A BILINGUAL FUTURE

## McCAIG ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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**McCaig Elementary School** is committed to promoting the personal, social and academic development of each child.

## This is achieved by:

- Involving parents, teachers and other members of the school community in a spirit of enthusiasm
- Keeping academic standards at the forefront
- Developing literacy skills
- Stimulating students to explore, experiment and progress
- Accepting individual learning styles
- Involving students in the process of their own learning
- Fostering respect and responsibility
- Providing a supportive and accepting environment
- Encouraging acceptance of cultural diversity
- Maintaining a caring, safe and responsible school environment
- Promoting extracurricular activities

## Services Available

- Transportation (a.m. and p.m.)
- Speech-language pathologist
- Psychologist
- CLSC nurse
- CLSC social worker
- Attendants for students with special needs
- Behaviour technician
- Occupational therapist
- Librarian

## Daycare

Our daycare is open on school days from 6:30 a.m. until the start of classes and after school from 3:30 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. For registration or information about this service, you can reach the daycare technician at extension 6116.

## Dress Code

Students at McCaig Elementary are expected to follow a proper dress code. Appropriate footwear is required to ensure their safety at all times.

## Parental Involvement

Parents are active partners in our school. They may choose to get involved at many different levels:

### Governing Board

The Governing Board is a decision-making body that is recognized by the Education Act and the MEES. This committee is comprised of parents, teachers and support staff. Members are elected by their peers each September at the school's General Assembly and serve a two-year term.

### Parent Participation Organization (PPO) The Friends of McCaig Elementary (TFOMES)

The PPO is a committee recognized by the Education Act and the MEES. This committee is comprised of parents and works in cooperation with the principal and vice-principal. The mandate of the PPO is to encourage the collaboration of parents in fostering the success of the students in our school. TFOMES is responsible for fundraising which, in turn, provides our students with materials, resources and opportunities otherwise not available.



**McCaig Elementary School** is a **peanut- and nut-free** school. We request that parents support this policy as there are many children in the school who are severely allergic to nuts and peanut by-products. All lunches and snacks should be **peanut- and nut-free**.

## Kindergarten Education

The kindergarten education program at McCaig Elementary is in line with the curriculum provided by the Ministry of Education.

Children in our kindergarten classes have daily opportunities for social interaction through circle games, partner play, learning centres and outdoor recess play.

McCaig kindergarten children also learn to feel socially included thanks to the Grade six Buddy Program. All kindergarten classes are paired with a Grade 6 class. Through this partnership, each kindergarten student develops a bond with an older student, doing activities such as paired reading and crafts.

McCaig kindergarten students explore early literacy through Jolly Phonics, a systematic kinesthetic sound program. They also develop beginning reading skills through story time, sound awareness games and home-reading. As well, beginning writing is encouraged through printing and journal writing.

McCaig kindergarten students develop numeracy and math skills. Through seatwork, math games and math centres, students are exposed to pattern-making, sequencing and even beginning measurement.

Students are introduced to French 150 minutes a week. French vocabulary is acquired through stories, art and songs.

Students in kindergarten have physical education for 60 minutes a week.

Many fun activities are planned each year at McCaig in kindergarten. Special theme days such as Pajama Day, Celebrating Our 100th Day of School and Kindergarten Graduation are highlights of the year.

## Programs

At McCaig, we offer the curriculum outlined by the Québec Education Program at all levels:

### Cycle 1

- English Language Arts
- Mathematics
- Français, langue seconde
- Ethics and Religious Culture
- Physical Education and Health
- Arts visuels
- Art dramatique

### Cycles 2 and 3

- English Language Arts
- Mathematics
- Français, langue seconde
- Ethics and Religious Culture
- Physical Education and Health
- Science and Technology
- Social Studies
- Arts visuels
- Art dramatique

## Facilities

- 26 classrooms
- Pre-kindergarten
- 2 dedicated computer labs
- 1 science room
- 1 library with English and French books
- Interactive whiteboards in every class
- MEES daycare (interactive whiteboard)
- Mobile computer labs (laptops) in Cycles 2 and 3
- Mobile iPad lab in kindergarten and Cycle 1
- 2 gymnasiums and changing rooms
- 2 resource rooms
- Multipurpose room
- Offices for consulting professionals
- Elevator
- A cafeteria offering a hot lunch program, drinks and lunch box extras
- Large schoolyard with climbing structures, soccer fields, basketball nets and more!



## Extracurricular Activities

At McCaig Elementary, we offer a variety of extracurricular activities for all ages:

- Flag football teams
- Lego club
- Basketball teams
- Cross-country
- Soccer (11x11) and (7x7) teams
- Futsal
- Ice hockey teams
- Floor hockey teams
- Track and field teams
- Scrapbooking
- BOKS (fitness program before school to help reduce hyperactivity and increase concentration)
- Student council
- McCaig leaders
- Green Brigade
- I Love to Read Week
- *McCaig News*
- Création de murales
- Annual international ice hockey tournament
- Host to annual sports festivals (soccer, ice hockey, basketball and flag football)
- Winter carnival . . . and much more

## Field Trips

- Quebec City (Grade 5)
- Ottawa (Grade 6)
- Arundel Nature & Science Centre (Grade 6)



# HOME OF THE McCAIG ELEMENTARY GLADIATORS