

# **Ensuring Academic Success**

Recognizing that success in reading at an early age is one of the predictors of academic success, literacy in all areas is a major focus. Twenty-two percent of our students have been identified as requiring extra support in school in order to succeed. All are integrated into the regular classroom setting and extra resources or modifications are made to ensure that these students are able to succeed at school.

#### **PPO**

The Parent Participation Organization is very active in supporting the school's many programs and activities. Volunteers help with classroom activities, field trips and special events. With the strong support of parents, the PPO is able to defray the costs of field trips, social and cultural events and the purchase of technological equipment for all classes. Fundraising is an essential part of the school's success.

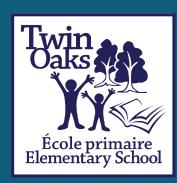


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The Twin Oaks staff is committed to pursuing a goal of academic success for all our students within a healthy, safe and caring environment.

The school prides itself on being a learning community in which academic excellence and strong social values form the basis for becoming lifelong learners.

Our priorities are to develop students' sense of character, help them acquire positive qualities that speak of who they are and what type of person they want to be and include technology in classroom practices.

## **School-based Project**

Our school-based project is Healthy Body, Healthy Mind and Healthy World: Engaging Students for the 21st Century.

### **Subject-time Allocation**

Subjects are taught in French and English. The subject-time allocation is approximately **60% English and 40% French.** 

#### We Strive to Foster:

- Team Work
- Harmony and respect
- Interest in learning
- Creativity
- Cooperation
- The opportunity to thrive academically, socially, physically and morally
- Global awareness

#### **What We Offer**

- Daycare service
- Hot lunch service
- School assemblies
- Extracurricular activities
- Early literacy and numeracy
- Smart boards in every class
- Computers, iPads and Chromebooks
- Psychologist and speech-language pathologist for assessments and interventions
- CISSS nurse and social worker
- Resource teachers
- Online tutorials (LEARN)
- Flexible seating/universal design
- Guided reading
- Attendant support
- Behaviour technician support
- Occupational therapist (as required)
- Dental hygienist (kindergarten)
- Restorative practices

## **Programs**

- Homework Assistance Program
- Robotics Program
- Positive Behaviour Program
- Wellness-oriented School Program
- Reading in School Program
- Anti-bullying Program
- Reading Buddies Program
- Social Skills Program

#### **Facilities**

- large, grassed playground with climbing structures
- soccer field
- basketball court
- cafeteria with catering services
- two gymnasiums
- · large, glass-enclosed library

#### **Extracurricular activities**

- Terry Fox Run
- Subway/pizza days
- The Learning X-Change Story Time
- Halloween carnival and spaghetti dinner
- Scholastic Book Fairs, English and French
- Veterans' Week / Remembrance Day
- Spring concert
- 100<sup>th</sup> day celebrations
- Spring Bonnet Parade
- Skating at Madeleine Park
- Reading week
- · Soccer, karate and zumba activities
- Greek school
- Le Défi Pierre Lavoie
- Graduations kindergarten and grade 6
- Cooking club
- Random Acts of Kindness club
- End-of-year BBQ
- Field trips
- Plays

In addition to supporting the Terry Fox Run, our students participate in raising funds or collecting non-perishable food items to support community causes and organizations including Breast Cancer Awareness, Holy Name of Jesus Parish and AGAPE.

### **Daycare**

Twin Oaks Daycare is a MEES-regulated childcare service that seeks to cultivate and nurture positive relationships. It offers a structured program planned by our qualified daycare staff with activities such as sports, arts and crafts, cooking, science experiments, drama, music, games, special activities, short and long-term projects and time for homework and outdoor play.