



Special Project School Education Act 240

Consultation Document

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What is a Special Project School?

A SCHOOL ESTABLISHED FOR THE PURPOSES OF A PARTICULAR EDUCATIONAL PROJECT

- A school that is established based on an educational project focused on a specific pedagogical approach or on a specific program and on a particular organization of the curriculum.
- It offers a distinct curriculum while respecting the subjects mandated by the Basic School Regulations for preschool, primary and secondary education;
- The School Board may establish the entrance criteria for students to register in the special project school.

Recognition of a special project school is based on the provisions established in the Education Act (Art. 240) for public education. This is the reason they are often referred to as a 240 school.



What are the different kinds of special project schools?

The special project school may focus on:

- Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM)
- Math and Science
- Arts and Music
- Sports



Who could be the target population?

After reviewing several SWLSB consultations in recent years, one of the common reoccurring themes was that we maintain our population and increase enrollment.

We noticed:

- Increase in Interboard agreements.
- Increased loss of students (156 students left the board for Math and Science special project schools elsewhere)

These are the students that we would target if there was a will to have a special project school.



Why a Special Project School?

- Raises public interest in our board
- Revitalizes/diversifies the programs offered
- Increases enrolment
- Responds to parental requests
- Increases student engagement
- Raises success rates



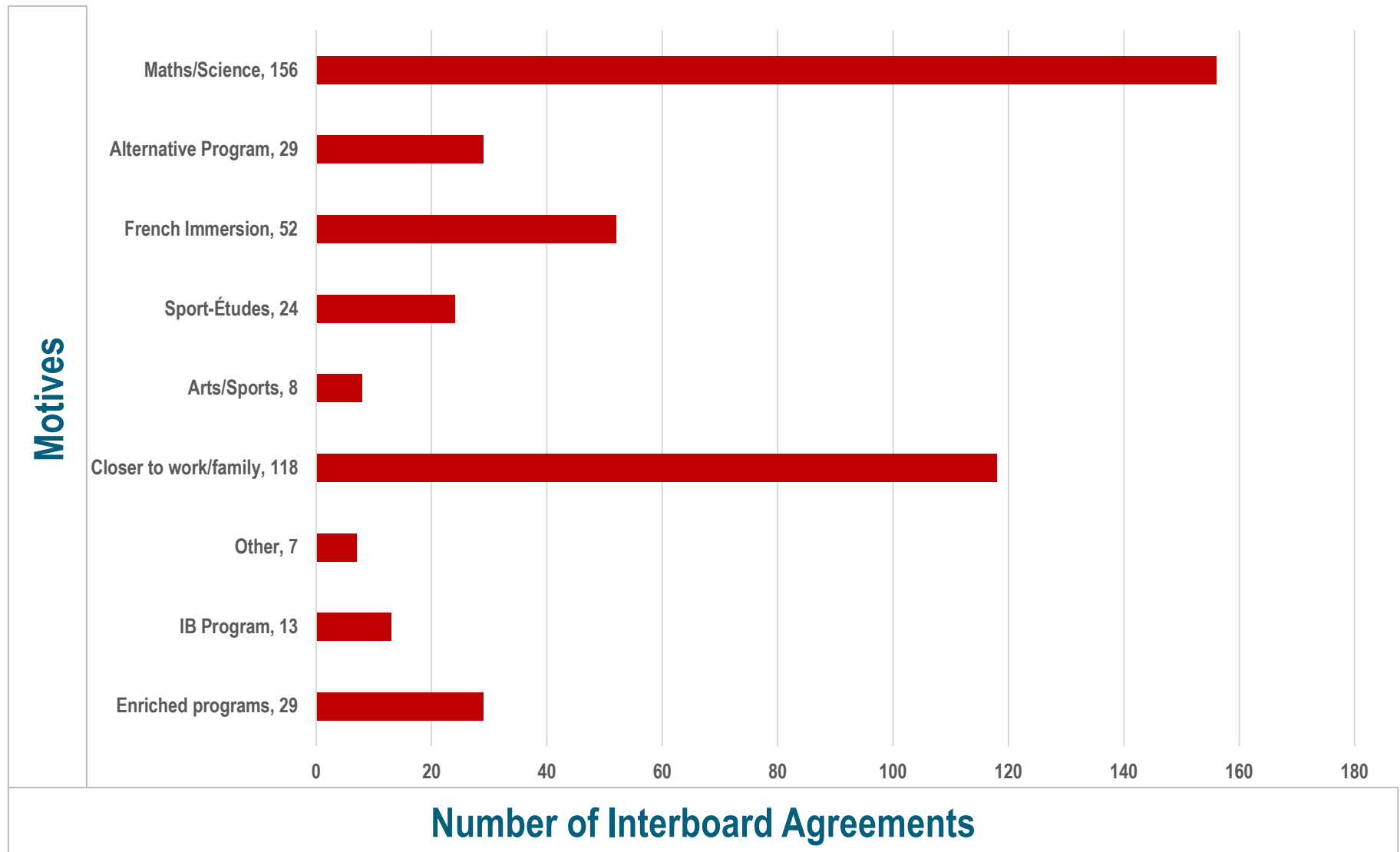
Benefits of a Special Project School

- Enriched program meets the needs of diverse student population
- Capitalizes on different learning styles and abilities
- Recognizes and responds to different interests
- Raises and strengthens learning requirements
- Motivates, challenges and engages students
- Creates collaborative and supportive school atmosphere
- Augments parental satisfaction
- Increases student retention in our board
- Increases success rate

Interboard Agreements Reasons



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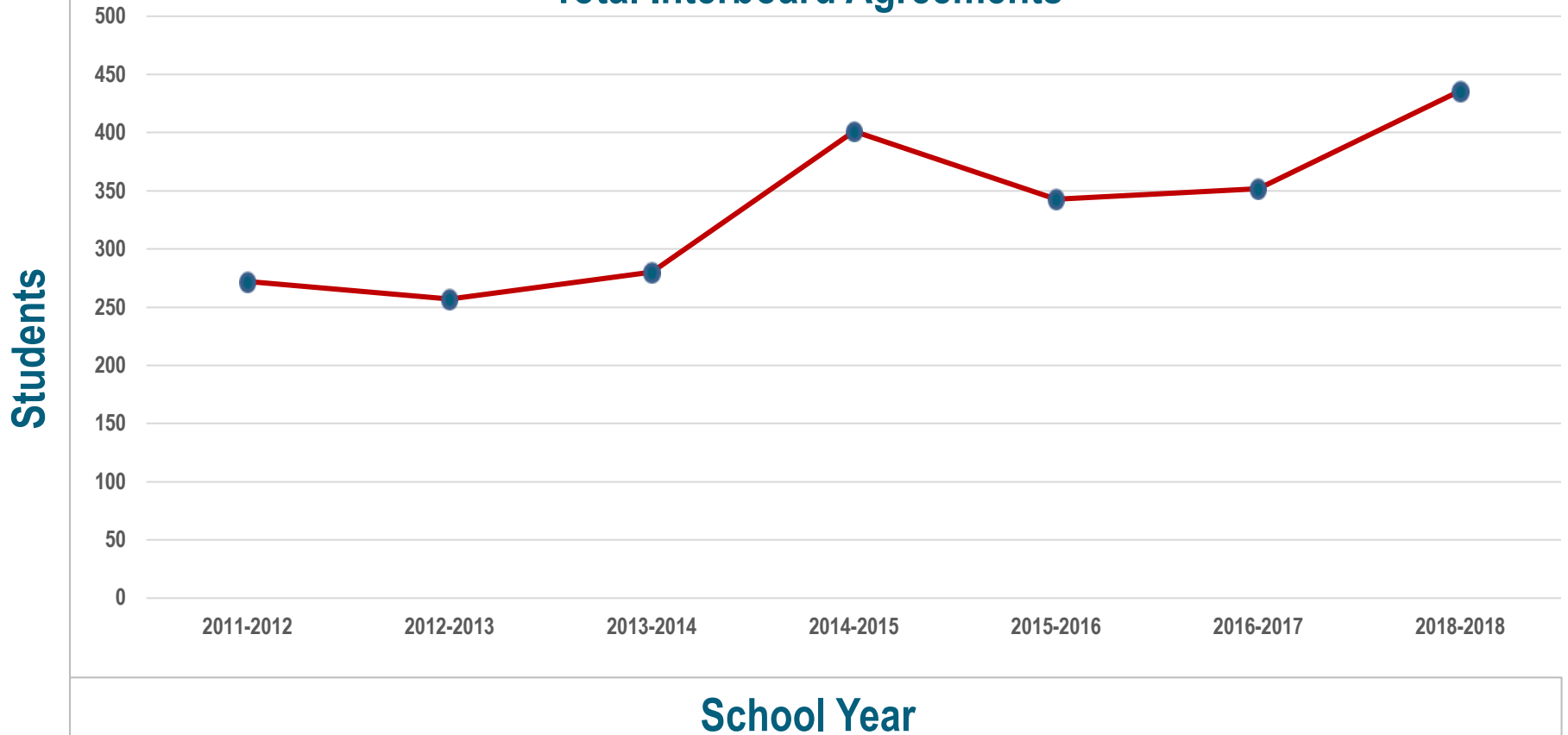


Total Interboard Agreements Reasons



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Total Interboard Agreements



2017-2018 Grade 6 Students Leaving SWLSB for Secondary 1



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	English	French	Total
Public	68	32	100
Private	73	35	108
Unknown			17
Total	141	67	225

70% of the 225 are from Laval



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Click [here](#) to see explanation by
SWLSB Chairperson, Jennifer Maccarone.



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