



Cultural Activities



Travis Gabriel also provided our students with a very informative workshop on the history of lacrosse which included the making of a lacrosse stick

This year Rotiwennakehte participated in a number of celebrations including Harvest and Mid-Winter, followed by Maple Syrup and Strawberry festivals. A special thank you to the elders and family members who participated in these festivities. As well, a number of after-school cultural activities were initiated on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Beading, singing, drumming and dancing were very popular with the students. All of the students involved in this activity received a hand-made rattle from Dave Nelson, compliments of the Health Center. We were able to undertake many of these activities in collaboration with the Health Center and Crime Prevention.

A special thank you to Karrennahawi McComber, Ellen Filippelli, Jimmy Nicholas and Sandy Harding for their support of our different initiatives. Dave Nelson, Crystal Diabo and Travis Gabriel deserve special mention and gratitude for their effort and commitment to our students in the after-school program. Their energy and enthusiasm served to instill a greater interest and student pride in their language and culture.

Finally, thank you to our cafeteria staff (Julie, Joanne & Irene) for their hard work and contribution and to the teachers who participated in the after-school program. We look forward to continuing the program next year with great anticipation.



Singing, Drumming & Dancing

Student leadership in cultural activities was clearly evident this year at Ratihente High School with students participating in singing, drumming and dancing. Rahnekenhawi Cupples, Rahsontenhawi Gabriel, Sierra Albany, Kawisaienhne Albany, Lauren Krupp, Sterling Beaver and Karihohetstha Cupples demonstrated initiative and a keen interest in this lunch time activity. The students, with the support and assistance of teacher, Kimberly Simon, exhibited a strong sense of pride in their culture and community. They participated in evening socials, leading a number of songs much to the delight of family and community members. Kimberly and the students also lead the singing, drumming and dancing at our Strawberry festival as well.

Our thanks and congratulations are extended to these "leaders" for the time, effort and energy they displayed. They also established a wonderful example for our younger students to aspire to.

Cultural Mural at Ratihente

This year a new teacher, Christine Lefebvre, was engaged to teach Art and Media at Ratihente High School. Within a relatively short period of time, Christine endeared herself to her students and inspired them to begin work on a cultural mural depicting various aspects and elements of their community. Many senior Art students were involved in this project and it was nearing completion as the year came to an end. It is located on the main floor in the Art classroom corridor and we invite you to come and see it.



January 2016 Supplemental Exam Achievement

The disappointing success rate in Secondary 4 Math, History, and Science and Technology in the June 2015 ministry exams was a priority to be addressed this year. All these subjects are prerequisites for the completion of a Secondary School Diploma. (SSD) Intensive tutorials and individualized instruction in preparation for the January 2016 supplemental exam session produced outstanding results. A special thank you to teachers Ken Albutt (Math), Monica Walczak (Science) and Kimberly Simon (History) for their commitment to our student's success.



Prom Night at Ratihente

On June 23rd, Ratihente held its Prom celebration at Le Chateau Royal Convention and Reception Center in Laval. The festivities began at approximately 5:30 p.m. with refreshments and photos followed by a hot and cold buffet dinner served at 7:00 p.m. Graduates, along with their families and friends enjoyed a delicious meal accompanied by an assortment of tunes provided by a DJ. A good time was had by all with many of those in attendance remaining until after 11:30 p.m. A special thank you to Christine Lefebvre for organizing this special evening, Kimberly Simon for speaking so eloquently about each graduate and to the graduates themselves for their fundraising effort, ably assisted by Jimmy Nicholas and Sandy Harding from Crime Prevention.

SWLSB Summer School Information

Registration for Courses & Exam

June 29 & 30
8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Laval Junior Academy
2323 Daniel Johnson Blvd.
Laval, Qc.
H7T 1H8

Online registration available
Starting June 27
Classes: July 4 - July 22

Registration for Exam Only

July 18 & 19
8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Online registration for exams available
Starting July 14
Exam session: July 25 - July 29



**Registration for Online Courses
begins June 27, 2016.
Cost \$350 including exam
Online Summer School 2016 - Courses offered online**

Recognizing that distance is a factor for many of our students, the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board in partnership with **LEARN Québec** offers a number of summer school courses online, namely:

Mathematics	Secondary 1 (563-106)
Mathematics	Secondary 2 (563-226)
Mathematics	Secondary 3 (563-306)
Mathematics	Secondary 4 (CST)
Science, & Technology	Secondary 4
History & Citizenship Education	Secondary 4

FAQ

How do online courses work?

LEARN will provide the necessary information to all students taking online courses for the first time. Students will access our teaching and learning platform and our portal.

What do I need to take a summer course online?

Students need to have a computer with reliable internet access (preferably high speed) a headset (or a microphone and speakers) and a webcam.

Where do I take the exam?

Laval Junior Academy

2323 Daniel Johnson Blvd.
Laval, Québec H7T 1H8

Minimum Configuration

Pentium 4 HT (2005 and later) 2.4 GHz or higher;
1 GB RAM;
ADSL connection AM(1 Mbps).

Recommended Configuration

Dual Core processor (2007 and later) 1.6 GHz or higher;
2 GB RAM;
2 Mbps high speed connection.

Other Peripherals

USB or analog headset with integrated microphone;
Webcam

Supported Browsers

Chrome (recommended), Internet Explorer, Safari, Firefox

Software

Most recent version of Flash Player;

Most recent version of Java (for application sharing)

2016-2017 School Calendar Highlights

HOLIDAYS		PEDAGOGICAL DAYS	IMPORTANT DATES
Labour Day	September 5, 2016	August 25, 26, 29, 30, 2016	Anecdotal Reports Oct. 14, 2016
Thanksgiving	October 10, 2016	September 19, 2016	End of Term 1 Nov. 4, 2016
Christmas Break	Dec. 23, 2016 - Jan. 6, 2017	October 7, 2016	Report Cards & Parent-Teacher Interviews Nov. 24, 25, 2016
		November 7, 25 (QPAT) 2016	
March Break	March 6 to 10, 2017	January 9, 2017	End of Term 2 Feb. 3, 2017
		February 24, 2017	
Easter Break	April 14 to 17, 2017	April 27, 28, 2017	Report Cards/ Parent-Teacher Interviews Feb. 23, 24, 2017
Victoria Day	May 22, 2017	May 26, 2017	
National Aboriginal Day	June 21, 2017	June 27, 28, 29, 30	End of Term 3 June 23, 2017
St-Jean Baptiste	June 26, 2017		

A copy of the complete 2016-2017 school calendar has been included with your son and/or daughter's report card.

First Day of School for All Students is Wed. August 31st