

APPLICATION PROCESS

Children entering Kindergarten September 2018 must apply through the programs of choice **online application** processes available starting January 18 at 8 a.m. at www.sd43.bc.ca.

Completed online application forms must be submitted no later than **4 p.m. on Wednesday January 24, 2018.**

- Applications for Kindergarten are done by a **random draw** and will be limited to the number of spaces available. **Late application forms will not be part of the draw.**
- Kindergarten children with **siblings** in a program of choice must apply online. Siblings of students already enrolled in the Mandarin Bilingual Program at Walton Elementary School will be given first priority. Please clearly identify sibling status on the online application form
- Students entering **Grade 1** wishing to enroll should contact the school directly.

All parents are encouraged to attend the parent information meeting to learn about the program.

Parent Information Meeting
Wednesday, January 17, 2018
6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Walton Elementary School
2960 Walton Avenue, Coquitlam

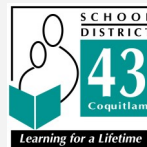
As this is an information meeting for parents/guardians, kindly make arrangements to leave your children at home.

SCHOOLS

Walton Elementary School
2960 Walton Avenue
Coquitlam, BC, V3B 6V6
Tel: (604) 941-1962

Scott Creek Middle School
1240 Lansdowne Drive
Coquitlam, BC, V3E 3E7
Tel: (604) 945-0156

Gleneagle Secondary School
1195 Lansdowne Drive
Coquitlam, BC, V3B 7Y8
Tel: (604) 464-5793



School District No. 43 (Coquitlam)
550 Poirier Street,
Coquitlam, BC, V3J 6A7
Tel: 604-939-9201
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Mandarin Bilingual Program (K-12)

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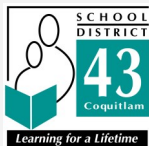
Mandarin Bilingual Program (K-12)

The Mandarin Bilingual Program first opened in 2010 at Walton Elementary with one class. It now has over 300 students enrolled in the program.

Unlike an immersion program, students learn in both Chinese and English each day, hence the title 'bilingual'.

The program is designed for a kindergarten entrance. Students do not need to be native Mandarin speakers to apply.

The goal of the program is for the students to be fluent in reading, writing and speaking in both Mandarin and English languages by the time of graduation.



To learn more visit:

www.sd43.bc.ca/Programs/Mandarin

Walton Elementary (Kindergarten-Grade 5)

The Mandarin bilingual program provides students with instruction in both English (50%) and Mandarin (50%). The Mandarin bilingual program is a program of choice that enables students to :

- Develop oral comprehension and fluency in Mandarin
- Develop the ability to read and write Chinese
- Gain an understanding of Canadian and Chinese cultures
- Develop a knowledge of and appreciation for diverse cultures while learning a second language
- Complete the requirements of the BC Curriculum

Subjects taught in English are:

- English Language Arts
- Social Studies
- Science
- Fine Arts

Subjects taught in Mandarin are:

- Chinese Language Arts
- Mathematics
- Health and Career Education
- Physical Education
- Simplified Chinese script will be introduced in Kindergarten. The Hanyu Pinyin pronunciation system will be taught to accelerate the process of learning to read Chinese.

Scott Creek Middle School (Grades 6-8)

Students will learn Mandarin language approximately 25% of the time and the rest in English (75%). In addition to Mandarin language, students will have the same middle school experience as other students.

Numeracy, Social Studies, Science, Physical Education, Explorations and Fine Arts are taught in English.

Gleneagle Secondary School (Grades 9-12)

The Mandarin Bilingual Program moves to Gleneagle Secondary School for Grades, 9, 10, 11 and 12. They will learn in Mandarin approximately 15% of the school year.

In Grade 9 Mandarin Bilingual students will enroll in Mandarin 11.

The Grade 10s will enroll in Mandarin 12

An Advanced Placement Mandarin 12 program and a Mandarin focused Career and Work Experience Course will be offered to the students in Grades 11 and 12.

Upon completion, Grade 12 students will receive an additional Certificate of Graduation from the Mandarin Bilingual Program.