

# Mandarin Bilingual Program

For the 2019 – 2020 School Year

## WHAT IS THE MANDARIN BILINGUAL PROGRAM?

- Mandarin Bilingual is a program of choice offered by School District No. 43 (Coquitlam) at the **Kindergarten to Grade 5 level** for the 2019/2020 school year at **Walton Elementary School**.
- The Mandarin Bilingual Program provides students with instruction in both English and Mandarin.
- This program will include **Grade 6 to 8 at Scott Creek Middle** for the 2019/2020 school year
- The Mandarin Bilingual Program moves to **Gleneagle Secondary School for Grade 9-12**.
- Regardless of their first language, the elementary program offers all students the possibility of completing 50 per cent of the prescribed B.C. curriculum in Mandarin (Mandarin Language Arts, Math, Health and Career, and P.E.) and 50 per cent of the prescribed B.C. curriculum in English (English Language Arts, Science and Social Studies and Fine Arts).
- Students develop strong communication skills in both English and Mandarin.
- Students develop their knowledge of other cultures and the program helps prepare students for the global economy.
- Learn more at [www.sd43.bc.ca/Programs/Mandarin/Pages/MandarinBilingualProgram.aspx](http://www.sd43.bc.ca/Programs/Mandarin/Pages/MandarinBilingualProgram.aspx)

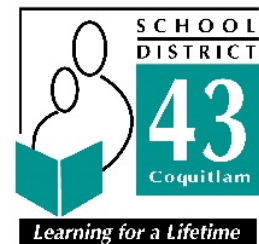
## APPLICATION PROCESS:

- **Children entering Kindergarten September 2019** must apply through the programs of choice **online application** process available starting January 17 at 9 a.m. at [www.sd43.bc.ca](http://www.sd43.bc.ca). Completed online application forms must be submitted no later than **4 p.m. on Wednesday January 23, 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 16, 2019  
6 p.m. to 7 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.*



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