

# PÉLIQ-AN: A passion for languages!



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The PÉLIQ-AN program stands out as an exceptional initiative promoting linguistic exchanges between the English-speaking and French-speaking communities of Quebec. This innovative project aims to promote collaboration and mutual learning between students in public and private schools, at both the primary and secondary levels. In addition, PÉLIQ-AN offers a unique opportunity for students from both school systems to discover and deepen their knowledge of a second language. The main objective is to create an enriching learning environment where participants can not only improve their language skills, but also develop a better cultural understanding.



This initiative is based on the collaborative work of two passionate teachers: Vicki Keen (ESSB) and Sonia Collins (CSS des Phares). Together, they orchestrated a remarkable project between the English-speaking Metis Beach School and a partner French-speaking school, l'École de la Rose-des-Vents. This partnership perfectly illustrates the spirit of cooperation and exchange that drives PÉLIQ-AN.

In this program, students participate in a variety of language activities designed to stimulate their curiosity and engagement. These activities, adapted to their grade level, allow participants to practice the target language in real, interactive contexts. Here are some key elements of their planning:

- **Bilingual activities** developing the **three competencies** in L2 constitute a central element of their project.
- **Grammar learning** is approached in a fun and interactive way with the integration of creative activities.
- **Physical activity** is essential for student well-being and contributes to dynamic learning.
- **Socialization activities** are crucial to creating a collaborative learning environment.
- Finally, **cultural activities** enrich the learning experience by offering insight into the traditions and values of both school networks.

PÉLIQ-AN is much more than just a language program: it is an initiative that helps build bridges between Quebec's linguistic communities. By promoting dialogue, collaboration and mutual respect, this project prepares younger generations to evolve in a bilingual and inclusive society. Thus, thanks to the commitment of dedicated teachers and the active participation of students, PÉLIQ-AN continues to play a key role in promoting bilingualism and cultural harmony in Quebec.