

Our international program says a lot...

L'ODYSSÉE
international college



*... dans n'importe
quelle langue.*



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AN EDUCATIONAL CORPORATION



Our Mission

To teach students about internationalism and to promote academic excellence while nurturing the development of active, responsible individuals equipped to meet the challenges of the future.

The International Program of Study...

... complies with the expectations and educational objectives set down by the International Baccalaureate Organisation, the only private-sector educational organisation in the world, headquartered in Geneva, Switzerland.



Educational Philosophy

To foster intellectual development with an emphasis on international awareness and to promote the growth of responsible citizens capable of thinking critically and conscientiously of their future role in society.

L'ODYSSÉE recognizes the importance of offering a superior academic program while fostering the child's self-esteem.

FRANCINE AND JEFF CONN, PARENTS

THE OTTAWA CAMPUS

Emerging Tradition

L'ODYSSÉE international college – Ottawa campus is the first private, French-language school in the Ottawa-Carleton Region offering the full international program of study from kindergarten on. L'ODYSSÉE is Ontario's leader in this field of education.

Centrally located in the City of Ottawa, close to museums, the Parliament of Canada, public libraries, and the University of Ottawa, L'ODYSSÉE international college – Ottawa campus is surrounded by a host of public resources available in Ottawa-Carleton.

Learning to Discover...

... is the basis of the educational process promoted by our teaching staff. By *learning how to learn*, students become aware of the world around them. Our cultural and experiential activities reinforce this educational strategy.



The exceptional contribution of L'ODYSSÉE is evident in the ability to stimulate the intellectual curiosity of the children and their love of learning in a relaxed and harmonious atmosphere.

MARIE SYLVIE ROY AND DONALD BOULET, PARENTS

High Academic Standards and a Structured Learning Environment

L'ODYSSÉE offers an enriched curriculum. All students are encouraged to excel academically. Homework begins in Primary 1 and students can expect their homework load to gradually increase over time. A supervised study period is included in the daily schedule.



Computer Resources Are Our Library

The College considers computer resources as vital tools in expanding the knowledge of its students and in assisting the research activities they are asked to complete for their classes throughout their academic career at L'ODYSSÉE. Our library is a virtual one which is complemented by the public libraries.



Our Teaching Staff

Dynamic, involved and dedicated to their work, the leading concern of our teachers is the success of their students. Their qualifications and international experience are a further academic asset to the students. The College aims for a student/teacher ratio of ten to one, with a maximum of fifteen students per class.

What I like about L'ODYSSÉE is the school atmosphere. The students have a positive attitude towards the other students, the teachers and their studies.

DEVON SPIKA, STUDENT

THE CURRICULUM

Kindergarten Program

The College delivers the curriculum used by the Department of Education of France in the firm conviction that it is simply one of the best in the world.

Divided into three-year blocks, the curriculum meets the requirements of the Ontario Ministry of Education and the educational objectives of L'ODYSSÉE international college.

Educational approach: in workshops that encourage hands-on discovery and sensory exploration, using worksheets and individual assignments, children are taught to hone their skills in analyzing information and to ask questions in order to take action, handle objects, and express themselves.

Primary Program

The College offers an enriched curriculum. The main features of the curriculum are:

1. French and English as first languages and the introduction of Spanish as a second language beginning in Primary 4;
2. A *core curriculum* comprising French, English, mathematics, and science beginning in Primary 1;
3. A course of study complemented by integrated arts, humanities and physical education.

Educational approach: traditional teaching methods combined with hands-on activities centred on concepts, skills, attitudes, and action. The interdisciplinary approach structures the questioning process and suggests pathways to solutions.

Secondary Program

Students build on the knowledge they gained in the Primary grades. The program continues at the same pace, pursuing the *core curriculum* along with a more balanced program of study featuring a greater emphasis on the international component. The Secondary program also includes interactive components such as 75 hours of community service over five years.

A separate course, entitled *Approaches to learning*, reinforces the program of study and in particular, the organizational skills needed to succeed in their career.

Educational approach: traditional teaching methods and unique educational activities that enlist community resources and equip students to rise to the challenges of the international program of study.

Experiential and Cultural Activities, Competitive Sports

Beginning in kindergarten and throughout their period of study at L'ODYSSÉE, students are involved in unique, hands-on activities that enrich their learning experience.



Cultural activities include the science fair and public speaking events.

Students are encouraged to participate in competitive sporting events. Our Physical education program at the Secondary level uses the facilities of the University of Ottawa.

REGISTRATION

When you register your child at L'ODYSSÉE international college, you join a parent-student-teacher partnership geared to child-centred learning. The registration process is divided into three parts:

For the Primary and Secondary Programs

1. An initial meeting with the parents allows an opportunity to discuss the program of study and ensure that the proposed environment meets the expectations of both parents and prospective students;
2. During the pre-registration phase, the prospective student spends a day at the College for an introduction to the educational approach offered by the school;
3. On a later date, prospective students return to take a mandatory entrance examination, which will confirm their ability to successfully undertake an international program of study. Once they pass the examination, the registration process is complete.

Kindergarten Program

Entrance examinations are not required for the kindergarten grades. Parents simply decide whether to register their child after learning about the program of study and visiting the school.



I love this school because I like to take on the challenges offered on a daily basis.

MARIE CLAUDE MONGEON, STUDENT