

The Collège Native English Programme

The *Collège* Native English program is designed to build on the skills and knowledge children have acquired in primary school and to promote accuracy, creativity and curiosity. The Cambridge curriculum is adapted by the Massillon teaching team to meet the interests and abilities of every pupil, with a strong focus on literary studies and creative writing. We are committed to fostering an encouraging atmosphere in which our children can become confident and independent learners. We welcome applications from families whose children have grown up speaking English and display sufficient proficiency in reading, speaking and writing to actively participate in classes.

Pupils in Native English are taught in small classes of about 16 students and have 5 hours of lessons per week. All classes are taught by qualified native English teachers.

Pupils take Cambridge Checkpoint exams in 6ème and in 4ème. All of our Native English pupils are expected to achieve or exceed the Baccalaureate Level (CEFR Level B2) in all four language skills by the end of 4ème.

Is Native English at Massillon the right choice for my child?

- Is your child bilingual in English and French?
- Does your child socialize with other English-speaking children?
- Has your family ever lived in an English-speaking country?
- Has your child attended school in an English-speaking country?
- Does your child read novels and magazines in English for pleasure?
- Is your child at ease with writing in English to express himself/herself?
- Does your child watch English films, television programmes and plays?
- Does your child spend school holidays in English-speaking environments?
- Is your child curious about Anglophone culture?
- Is your child a keen reader?
- Is your child a motivated and hardworking pupil?
- Could your child give a spoken presentation in English?
- Is your child working at a minimum of CEFR Level A2 in all four skill areas (reading, writing, listening and speaking)?

If the answer to all or most of these questions is yes, then the Native English Section at Massillon would be the right choice for your child.

External pupils applying to join our Native English programme are required to sit a written entrance exam at the beginning of their CM2 year. Sample 6ème entrance examinations can be found on the school website.

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