

## **FOUNDATIONS MASTERY LEARNING** Education is not simply about learning. It is about guiding students towards a profound understanding of the knowledge and skills taught. When students own their knowledge and skills, these will forever become a strength, enabling them to navigate the world with confidence. To act with honour and seek answers. To lead a full and an ever-changing world, confidently

FOR THE

**LIFE-LONG** 

**LEARNER** 

To challenge.

To cultivate.

To engage.

To encourage.

To empower.

enriched life in

and ethically.

# **OUR VISION** AND VALUES

All children have talents and an enormous potential to achieve

encouraged to take responsibility for their thoughts, words and

At La Citadelle, we seek to educate deeds; to act with honour and the whole person, to foster purpose; and to make a difference proficiency in all subjects and to in the complex global society they lay the foundations for life-long have inherited. Our vision is to learning. At La Citadelle students create a school where students are challenged to do their best in are excited to learn and achieve; all areas and to reach further; to are provided the highest national nurture the qualities of respect for and international standards of self and others; and to cultivate education and instruction; and are their desire to serve the community. encouraged to hold high moral and At La Citadelle, our students are ethical values, with emphasis on character development.

**PASSION** 

CONFIDENCE



## HOLISTIC EDUCATION

For Global Citizenship

At La Citadelle, we seek to have each student discover his/her identity, meaning and purpose in life through connections to the community, the natural world and societal values. Our goal is to call forth from our students an intrinsic reverence for life and a passionate love of learning. Holistic education nurtures a sense of wonder by fostering collaboration and healthy competition in the classroom.

By using real-life experiences, current events, the multiple facets of the arts and other sources of knowledge and information, we kindle the love of learning in our students, encouraging reflection and questioning rather than passive memorization of facts. At La Citadelle, we keep alive the "flame of intelligence" that is so much more than abstract problemsolving skills. By embracing differences and refusing to label children, we help bring out the unique gifts contained within each student's spirit.



EXCELLENCE

ACHIEVEMENT

COMPASSION

RESPECT

DISCIPLINE

HARMONY

"The highest function of education is to bring about an integrated individual who is capable of dealing with life as a whole."

## **AWAKENING IN DAYCARE**

The journey of self-discovery starts here



### A HOME AWAY FROM HOME

Well-being - Expression - Belonging - Engagement

At La Citadelle, our young guidance of specially trained provide a positive learning environment that enhances their level of development play experiences and the

staff, children are exposed and our most precious to and environment that assets. In our daycare, we stimulates their curiosity, initiative and independence while providing students with a sense of self-esteem and decision-making capabilities.





La Citadelle's Daycare program has been carefully developed to provide children with communication skills, fine motor development and gross motor skills through physical activities. Our program offers a highly engaging and interactive playbased environment that values children's learning. Our teaching approach is founded on the understanding of early childhood development and is focused on supporting children as they develop. We engage children in their learning through exploration, play and inquiry. Communication and expression are honoured and celebrated to create a sense of inclusion and belonging.



# GROWING IN KINDERGARTEN

Providing child-initiated and adult-supported experiences



An environment designed for exploration and expression

"Teaching, the delivery mode of curriculum, is a complex process that requires knowledge, know-how, classroom management and above all, a nurturing environment."

- Alfred Abouchar Headmaster

At the Kindergarten Panel, La Citadelle aims to instill in children a curiosity for learning as they develop their own skills and talents. At La Citadelle Kindergarten, children work in a supportive yet stimulating environment which is responsive to the student's individual needs and differences. Although they follow an intensive curriculum in French at this level, language, culture and basic learning skills are emphasized. The curriculum program at the Kindergarten Panel is structured in such a manner as to integrate all subjects and to foster accelerated mastery learning as well as a high level of achievement.



- French
- Mathematics
- Science
- Art
- Music
- Computer Studies
- Physical Education

Fostering Mastery Learning

### **NURTURING A CURIOSITY FOR LEARNING**



FRANÇAIS (FIRST LANGUAGE) ENGLISH (FIRST LANGUAGE) MANDARIN OR SPANISH MATHÉMATIQUES / MATHEMATICS SCIENCES / SCIENCE HISTOIRE / HISTORY GÉOGRAPHIE / GEOGRAPHY **COMPUTER STUDIES COMPUTER MUSIC** CHOIR & BAND **VISUAL ARTS** DRAMA PHYSICAL EDUCATION **HEALTH AND SAFETY** 

"Tell me and I forget, teach me and I remember, involve me and I learn."

- Ancient Chinese Proverb

# DEVELOPING AT THE ELEMENTARY PANEL

Cultivating intellectual and creative foundations for lifelong learning



Education is the field that deals with overall holistic development of the child and the formation of his/her character.

The curriculum at the Elementary Panel develops the student's ability to acquire information, to form ideas, to think independently and to relate the various areas of study to one another. Students learn to develop a balance between competition and cooperation and are encouraged to take personal responsibility for their studies.

The infrastructure put in place and the overall educational processes are geared to enabling students to deeply comprehend content while developing profound critical thinking skills and aptitudes. The skills and foundations acquired provide our students with the competitive edge to undertake our advanced secondary school curriculum.

ACADEMICALLY ADVANCED BILINGUAL CURRICULUM



#### RADE 7 LANGUAGE STREAMS

French or English course selection

#### RADE 8 REACH AHEAD

Combining advanced curriculum with secondary school credits





# TAKING FLIGHT AT THE SECONDARY PANEL

#### TAKING FLIGHT

The university-bound academic curriculum at the Secondary Panel strives to create a well-rounded learner by promoting a balanced integrated pedagogy in the fields of Mathematics, Humanities, Social Sciences, Arts, Sciences, and Information Technology. Built upon the foundations of the Ontario Ministry of Education Guidelines, in conjunction with the requirements of the International Baccalaureate Middle Years Program (IB-MYP) in Levels I & II and those of the Advanced Placement (AP) in Levels III & IV, La Citadelle's secondary school curriculum is supported by a wide range of services, resources and technologies specifically put in place to allow the senior students to achieve mastery learning and a high academic standing, leading to their indubitable acceptance into the most prominent universities in Canada and

#### UNIVERSITY PREPARATION

At La Citadelle, courses at the Secondary Panel provide students with the knowledge and skills needed to meet all entrance requirements for university study. Emphasizing theoretical aspects of the course content with supporting applications, our academic curriculum courses focus on the development of independent research skills and independent learning skills. Successful completion of these courses is required by Canadian universities and the enriched academic nature of our program provides La Citadelle's students seeking to apply abroad (such as in Europe or the United States) with necessary equivalency requirements.

"Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire."

#### COURSES OFFERED AT THE SECONDARY PANEL ARE UNIVERSITY PREPARATION COURSES



The Secondary School covers Grades 9 to 12 (Level I to Level IV)



Communication and languages

English, French, Mandarin & Spanish

Pure and Applied Sciences
Physics, Chemistry & Biology

Canadian and World Studies
Civics, Canadian History, World
History & Geography

Mathematics
Calculus, Advanced Functions,
Data Management

Leadership
Guidance, Method of Study &
Career Education

Computer Studies
Information Technology &
Yearbook Development

Fine Arts

Visual, Dramatic and Media Arts, Music, Band & Computer Music

Athletics
Health & Physical Education

Social Sciences
Philosophy, Anthropology, Human
Rights, Psychology, Sociology,

Business
Economics, Journalism, Business
Studies & International Business

EXCELLENCE

**ACHIEVEMENT** 

DISCIPLINE

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## AN INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE WORLD SCHOOL

Middle Years Program (IB-MYP) Grade 6 to Grade 10

The Middle Years Programme at La Citadelle is a comprehensive program that challenges our students to embrace and understand the connections between traditional subjects and the real world while developing the aptitudes to become critical and reflective thinkers. The MYP is based around three fundamental concepts: Intercultural Awareness, Holistic Learning, and Communication -with each concept reinforcing the overall curriculum as a whole.

An MYP student's work is inquiry based and involves a great deal of critical thinking. Through a framework of relevant and challenging experiences, students learn to seek knowledge through discovering who they are; where they are in time and place; how to express themselves; how the world works; how they organize themselves; and how they share the planet with other humans & living beings.

Using Global Contexts, IB-MYP students develop an understanding of their common humanity and shared guardianship of the planet through developmentally appropriate explorations of:

- Identities and relationships
- Personal and cultural identity
- · Orientations in space and time
- · Scientific and technical innovation
- Fairness and development
- Globalization and sustainability





## THE ADVANCED PLACEMENT PROGRAM

Level I & II (Grade 9 & 10) – Pre-AP Courses Level III & IV (Grades 11 & 12) – AP Courses

The Advanced Placement Program, administered by the College Board and taught at La Citadelle, allows students to participate in university level courses to potentially earn university credits while still in secondary school. Universities look favourably on students who take AP courses. Students who succeed in these generally do well in university as a result of rigorous academic preparation.

#### AP PARTICIPATING STATISTICS





No. of Countries 115No. of High Schools 23,000

• No. of Students 2,800,000

• No. of Exams Written 5,100,000

The content of AP courses is more sophisticated than that of standard high school academic courses as they offer students:

- University credit and/or placement
- Experience with university level exams, projects, and writing
- An opportunity to stand out in the university admissions process
- Preparation for special programs and international universities

- Enrichment and academic
  challenge
- Opportunity to enhance individual strength
- A chance to play a more active role in their learning
- Emphasis on 21st century skills
- An enriched learning experience













































## HELPING OUR GRADUATES BECOME WHO THEY ARE MEANT TO BE

Acceptances by Field of Study Selected

12% BUSINESS & INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS

29% LIFE SCIENCES / MEDICAL SCIENCES

8% ENGINEERING / MECHATRONICS

MATHEMATICS AND / OR ECONOMICS

24% LINGUISTICS, HUMANITIES & SOCIAL SCIENCES (PSYCHOLOGY AND INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES)

% FINE ARTS

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & COMPUTER SCIENCES



## MANY OF OUR GRADUATES CURRENTLY ARE ADMITTED TO UNIVERSITY AS EARLY AS OCTOBER OF THEIR GRADUATING YEAR AT LA CITADELLE

of our graduates pursue university studies and are accepted into their first choice program of study.

90% of our students were recipients of the Ontario Scholars awards.

90% of our students were recipients of the Queen Elizabeth scholarship upon graduation (Program withdrawn in 2012).

### **OUR GRADUATES RECOGNIZED FOR THEIR ACHIEVEMENTS**

• Daniel P. • \$10,500 Scholarship University of Toronto Scarborough - Bachelor of Science in Life Sciences Co-op • Emilie S. - \$10,000 Scholarship Western University - Bachelor of Fine Arts • Michael W. • \$5,000 Scholarship Western University - Bachelor of Fine Arts

Victor P. - \$4,500 Scholarship University of Toronto - Bachelor of Business Administration - Andrew D. - \$3,500 Scholarship University of Waterloo - Bachelor of Science - Mechatronics - Rana B. - \$3,000 Scholarship University of Ottawa - Biopharmaceutical Sciences

• Grace G. - \$3,000 Scholarship Victoria College at the University of Toronto - Bachelor of Arts • Nikita G. - \$3,000 Principal's Scholarship Queen's University - Bachelor of Fine Arts • Erica P. - \$3,000 Scholarship University of Guelph - Honours Major Biomedical Science

Gisele S. - \$3,000 Scholarship Victoria College at the University of Toronto - Bachelor of Science - Reda D. - \$2,500 Scholarship Vork University - Actuary Science - Colleen A. - \$2,000 Excellence Scholarship Western University - Medical Sciences Program

• Meijie L. - \$1,500 Scholarship York University Cinema Production • Stéphanie P. - \$750 Scholarship McMaster College - Mathematics • Ankita R. - \$750 Scholarship McMaster College - Social Sciences

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