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 <u>Francophone communities outside Quebec issue ultimatum in Ottawa</u> (Translated using Google Translate)

Posted: January 29, 2018

The Federation of Francophone and Acadian Communities (FCFA) in Canada is demanding concrete action from the federal government to improve the lot of Francophone minority communities and gives it until March 31 to do so. "It's been more than 27 months since this government came to power. Since then, we have had a lot of [...more]

• French-immersion students score much higher on English tests than core students Teachers spokesperson says streaming exists in provincial schools, despite inclusion policy

Posted: January 23, 2018

Standardized test results released last week show wide discrepancies between students who are in French immersion and those who aren't, the president of the New Brunswick Teachers Association says. Ninety-four per cent of Grade 9 immersion students did well on their Englishlanguage assessments compared with 74 per cent of students in the core program. George Daley said [...more]

• Exclusive: Language rules hurting bus service – mom (paid content)

Posted: January 22, 2018

https://www.telegraphjournal.com/times-transcript/story/100489767/late-bus?source=story-latest

• Grade 6 students miss targets in science, math and reading – 2nd-language scores not budging

Posted: January 19, 2018

New Brunswick Grade 6 students continued to struggle on standardized math, science and reading tests in 2017, according to results released Friday. But there was enough of an improvement over dismal 2016 results the Gallant government is calling the scores good news. "Your government is pleased to see improvements in literacy, math and science at [...more]

 A briefcase reveals the secrets of La Patente (Translated using Google) Translate)

Posted: January 16, 2018

termark The secret society of the Order of Jacques-Cartier, or La Patente, remains mysterious for many historians. A briefcase filled with documents dating from 1956 to 1965 has just been found in Grand Falls, in northwestern New Brunswick, and sheds new light on this secret group dedicated to the advancement of Francophones in New Brunswick. political [...more]

2nd Mistrial: Court still unable to find a bilingual jury

Posted: January 9, 2018

WOODSTOCK: A second attempt at finding a jury for a murder trial has again ended in a mistrial. Kurt Andrew Hudnut, 28, and James Andrew Melanson, 21, are charged with first-degree murder in the death of Wayne Rattray in Tilley. The jury selection process began on Monday morning at the community room of the Ayr [...more]

• Bilingualism of the Moncton Fire Department: Complainer wins (Translated by Google Translate)

Posted: December 31, 2017

An investigation by the Commissioner of Official Languages in New Brunswick may have consequences for all municipalities in the province The Moncton Fire Department must serve the public in both official languages at all times, concludes New Brunswick's Commissioner of Official Languages, following a complaint by a citizen who could not be served French during [...more]

Richard Wagner, a Chief Justice favorable to Francophones? (Translated using Google Translate)

Posted: December 12, 2017

Unsurprisingly, the Prime Minister has respected the principle of alternation, in place since the Second World War with one exception, which consists in successively choosing a judge from outside Quebec, stemming from the tradition of the common law, then a Chief Justice from Quebec civil law. In the last few days, however, several Liberal members [...more]

• Commissioner of Official Languages "soft" on Bilingualism in Supreme Court, says MP (Translated using Google Translate)

Posted: December 5, 2017

Raymond Théberge, Commissioner designate for Official Languages, presented an astonishing analysis on the subject of Supreme Court of Canada bilingualism: the one Justin Trudeau chose to be the watchdog of the two languages officials stated in committee that this was desirable, but "complex". THE CANADIAN PRESS "In principle, I believe in it; in practice, how [...more]

 Ambulance NB and province commit to bilingual service in lawsuit settlement defaul

Posted: December 4, 2017

Ambulance New Brunswick and the province have committed to providing bilingual service as part of a lawsuit settlement with a Moncton brother and sister. Danny Sonier had fallen into a diabetic coma in February 2013, but the two paramedics who responded to the Moncton emergency were unilingual anglophones. Ambulance New Brunswick and the province acknowledge in a Court of [...more]

Quebec passes motion for store clerks to stop saying 'bonjour, hi'

Posted: November 30, 2017

Quebec's legislature has passed a motion calling on store clerks to stick with a simple "bonjour" when greeting customers instead of the hybrid "bonjour, hi" often heard in Montreal. Politicians at the provincial legislature voted unanimously on the Parti Québécois(PQ) motion. The PQ says too many people are speaking both French and English to customers and [...more]

• Breaking the spell of French immersion

Posted: November 10, 2017

The reality is that the vast majority of students across Canada who enrol in French immersion drop out by high school, and are then thrown back into the English stream, often with both language and subject matter gaps in their learning. The Halton Catholic District School Board may be on the verge of deflating one [...more]

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