

## **Special measures concerning multi-grade classes (Appendix XXV)**

### **1. Context**

In the fall of 2019, the union had chosen to address the renewal of Appendix XXV by approaching it from four angles:

- 1) Increase the amount of money in this appendix from \$1.5M to \$4M as an additional measure of support for teachers assigned to multigrade classes;
- 2) Restrict the number of SSC's to which the said sums are allocated, i.e., only to SSC's whose union is affiliated with the FSE-CSQ or to SB whose union is affiliated with QPAT, including the *Centre de services scolaires du Littoral*;
- 3) Make the funds available by November 1 of each year;
- 4) Make the appendix arbitrable.

The final outcome of the negotiations is as follows:

- 1) The overall amount increases from \$1.5M to \$2M;
- 2) All SSC's and SB's continue to have access to these funds. However, the *Ministère de l'Éducation* agrees that each of the multigrade classes will generate \$675 for the SSC or SB whose union is affiliated with the FSE-CSQ or QPAT, including the *Centre de services scolaires du Littoral*.
- 3) Since each multigrade class now generates a fixed amount of money, the \$675 is now available at the beginning of the school year.

### **2. Recall**

The sums allocated to each SSC or SB are dedicated to the teachers working with multigrade classes, among other things for the purchase of materials, the occasional assumption of responsibility (commonly called "dejumelage") of a part of the group by a teacher, release time, notably for the preparation of materials or training (at the choice of the teachers concerned). These monies shall be administered by the professional improvement committee provided for in Chapter 7-0.00 or by another committee agreed upon by the SB or SSC and the union.

**APPENDIX XXV**

**SPECIAL MEASURES CONCERNING MULTIGRADE CLASSES**

**Principle**

1. The Ministère shall allocate \$1.52M<sup>1</sup> annually for the 2016-2017, 2017-2018, 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 school years as a supplementary measure designed to provide support for teachers assigned to multi-grade classes.

As such, the Ministère agrees that this amount will correspond to \$675 per multigrade class, and for each of the 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 school years, for the school service centres whose union is affiliated with the FSE-CSQ, including the *Centre de services scolaires du Littoral*, and the English school boards.

2. The amounts allocated to each board are intended for teachers working with multigrade classes and cover, among other things, the purchase of material, assuming responsibility occasionally for part of a group (commonly known as "déjumelage"), release time for the preparation of material or training (at the choice of the teachers concerned). The amounts shall be managed by the professional improvement committee prescribed in Chapter 7-0.00 or by another committee agreed upon between the board and the union.

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<sup>1</sup> These amounts shall be allocated for all school service centres and = French and English school boards as well as for the the Commission le Centre de services scolaires du Littoral.