

PARENTS, VOTE FOR YOUR REPRESENTATIVES ON LFI TOKYO SCHOOL BOARDS!

From **October 12 to 14**, you will be called upon to vote for your representatives to the <u>Conseil</u> <u>d'école</u> (Primary School Council) and the <u>Conseil</u> <u>d'établissement</u> (School Board). An electronic vote will be organised by the LFI Tokyo.

What role do your representatives play? They are your voice in the school boards, providing feedback and making proposals based on your suggestions; they weigh in on issues that affect your children's education and well-being at school.

Who are they? Your elected representatives are members of the FLT-fapée – the LFI Tokyo's only parents' association since September 2013, affiliated with Fapée (Federation of parents' associations for overseas French schools).

<u>Turnout rates</u> at these elections are crucial. As with any election, the higher the turnout, the stronger the representation – the louder our voice will be heard. So if you want your message to get across: vote for the candidates of the FLT-fapée!

And don't forget: EACH PARENT GETS A VOTE!

REPRESENT - INFORM - TAKE ACTION - 2016-2017 FLT OBJECTIVES

AFFORDABLE SCHOOLING FOR ALL

Objective: to allow access to an LFI Tokyo education, regardless of income

Commitment:

- Scholarships: provide assistance with French government scholarships applications; support applicants' claims at the local and national scholarship boards; raise awareness among public officials about Japan's cost of living and subsequent impact on families' ability to finance the cost of their children's education;
- Financial watch: for every new project put forth by the school, measure the impact on tuition costs, and consider alternative financing methods (corporate, state sponsoring, etc.):
- Fundraising: organise fundraising events (e.g.: raffle during the school festival), in benefit of the LFI Tokyo's "Foyer Socio Educatif", an entity devoted to helping families cope with the costs of student trips and other school-related expenses;
- Tuition fees: request that school management consider the feasibility of a special tuition plan, minimizing the fees, for long-term LFI Tokyo students; look for ways to help families in need of financial assistance.

CONTINUOUSLY ENHANCED CURRICULUM OFFERING

Objective: access to high-quality curriculums allowing students to progress at varying paces.

Commitment (primary school): monitor the "parcours" system at the Primary School level, the teaching methods employed Japanese as a foreign language classes and the evolution of bilingual classes.

Commitment (secondary school): study on possible academic orientations throughout the curriculum and after the Baccalaureat. Monitor the process leading to the opening of the English OIB option *(International Option of the Baccalaureate)* scheduled for September 2017.

BETTER COMMUNICATION BETWEEN LFI TOKYO AND FAMILIES

Objective: enhance communication between school management and teachers and parents; offer customized and informed responses to questions raised by LFI Tokyo families. **Commitment**:

- continuous information thru comprehensive information bulletins in 3 languages sent to FLT members (minutes of school meetings, briefing notes, etc.);
- raise awareness on the prevention of high-risk behaviours involving alcohol, drugs and tobacco, bullying and theft.



All parents regardless of whether they are members of our association are welcome to vote for the FLT-fapée list. Our mission is to serve and inform you: please consider becoming a member to reap the benefits! Subscription is only ¥500! SIgn up online.

