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## **ONTARIO REGULATION**

made under the

### **EDUCATION ACT**

Amending O. Reg. 224/10

(FULL DAY JUNIOR KINDERGARTEN AND KINDERGARTEN)

**1. Section 0.1 of Ontario Regulation 224/10 is amended by adding the following subsection:**

(3) In this Regulation,

“French immersion” means classes or courses for English-speaking pupils in which French is the language of instruction for an average of 150 or more minutes per school day.

**2. Section 2.1 of the Regulation is revoked and the following substituted:**

#### **Operation requirement**

**2.1** (1) Every board shall, in every elementary school of the board in which instruction is given in grade 1, operate a full day junior kindergarten and kindergarten in accordance with paragraph 6.2 of subsection 170 (1) of the Act.

(2) Despite subsection (1), a board is not required to operate full day junior kindergarten or full day kindergarten in the following circumstances:

1. A board is not required to operate full day junior kindergarten in a school if, pursuant to a policy of the board approved on or before June 26, 2014, the school offers only French immersion, starting in kindergarten or later.
2. A board is not required to operate full day junior kindergarten or full day kindergarten in a school if, pursuant to a policy of the board approved on or before June 26, 2014, the school offers only French immersion, starting in grade 1 or later.
3. A board is not required to operate full day junior kindergarten or kindergarten in a school in a school year if the school is identified in a policy or guideline issued by the Minister

pursuant to paragraph 3.0.0.1 of subsection 8 (1) of the Act, and published on a Government of Ontario website, as a school that is not required to operate full day junior kindergarten or kindergarten for the school year, due to facility or other operational barriers to the board's ability to operate full day junior kindergarten or kindergarten in that school in that school year.

4. The Toronto District School Board is not required to operate full day junior kindergarten or kindergarten in Thorncliffe Park Public School.
5. The Hastings and Prince Edward District School Board is not required to operate full day junior kindergarten or kindergarten in Harry J. Clarke Public School.

#### **O. Reg. 342/11**

3. **Section 3 of Ontario Regulation 342/11, which would amend section 2.1 of the Regulation, is revoked.**

#### **Commencement**

4. **This Regulation comes into force on the later of September 1, 2014 and the day it is filed.**