

How to Apply

How can I apply for LINC?

Come to our New Directions office in person to fill out a LINC application form. A photocopy of your immigration document (see ELIGIBILITY) is required.

The name on your application must be the same as the name on your immigration document.

When should I apply for LINC?

Apply when you are ready to start studying. The LINC assessment is valid for 24 months.

What happens after I apply?

You will receive a letter telling you the time and place for your assessment.

When you come to the office for your assessment, bring your original immigration document (**Not a photocopy**). You must have this assessment before you can go to LINC classes.

What happens after the assessment?

You will get an assessment report with your test results and your LINC level placement. This assessment report will determine your placement in the LINC levels.

When do LINC classes start?

New students start classes at the beginning of the week, provided there is room in the class, or students may be placed on a waiting list.



Corinne Dyck-LINC 4 teacher at graduation

New Directions Offers:

CLB Levels:

Pre-Lit, Level 1 to Level 8

Morning - 9:00am to 1:00pm

Afternoon- 1:00pm to 4:00pm

Evening- 6:00pm to 9:00pm

Saturday: 10:00am to 2:00pm

**Some services are offered at
New Directions Aldergrove**

**For more information, please contact
or visit our school:**

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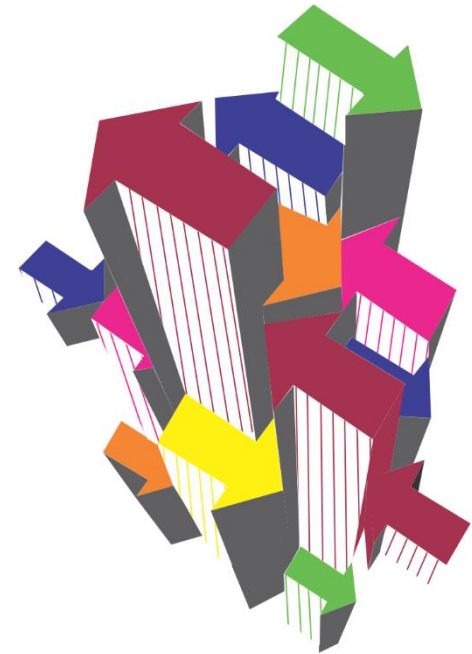


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Language Instruction for Newcomers to Canada



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LINC

What is LINC?

LINC stands for Language Instruction for Newcomers to Canada. The LINC program is one of the immigrant settlement services provided by IRCC and is free to students. LINC provides basic and intermediate level English training for adult newcomers to Canada. LINC is available in French in some communities.

The importance of English or French Language skills:

In our community, most people speak English. Strong English language skills will help with:

- **Getting a job**
- **Going to school**
- **Accessing services**

- **Meeting and talking to people**
- **Helping your children with schoolwork**
- **Getting your Canadian Citizenship**

Eligibility

Who can take LINC?

You must be a newcomer to Canada, 17 years old or older, and approved for permanent residence. Canadian citizens, temporary visitors, temporary foreign workers, and refugee claimants who have not yet received a positive decision on their refugee status claim cannot take LINC classes within Greater Vancouver and Greater Victoria Regional Districts. You must have at least one of the following documents:

a) Permanent Resident Card and Number (PRC)

b) Confirmation of Permanent Residence (Form IMM5292)

c) Record of Landing (form IMM1000-issued prior to June 2002)

d) Notice of Decision from the Refugee Protection Division Board (IRB) confirming convention refugee status

e) Letter from Citizenship and Immigration Canada (CIC) giving approval to remain in Canada while application for permanent residence is being finalized (approval in principle)

f) CUAET permit for Ukrainians

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The Program

What are the LINC levels?

Classes are from LINC 1 to LINC 8, and pre-literacy classes for learners who have had minimal classroom experience. After you apply to LINC, you will be given an appointment for an English language assessment (test).

What is the assessment for?

The Canadian Language Benchmarks Placement Test (CLBPT) is designed to determine the level you should begin in the LINC program. It measures abilities in Listening, Speaking, Reading, and Writing. For example, if you score benchmark 3 in each of these skills, you are ready to start the program at LINC level 4.

The LINC assessment is for the purpose of placement into the LINC program. It is not accepted by IRCC as proof of language ability for citizenship applications. For this, you can take LINC classes in Langley and receive a certificate once you have attained the required Canadian Language Benchmark at LINC 4.

What can I do about childcare?

New Directions can assist with childcare for children aged 1 to 5. There is a provincial childcare subsidy to help families pay for childcare in addition to our IRCC support for newcomer children.

Make an appointment to see our childcare coordinator.