



Dear Families,

We would like to invite your child(ren) to participate in the SWIS program (Settlement Worker in Schools). SWIS is a school-based program that aims to help newcomer students and their families settle into school and the community by connecting them to services and resources. The Humboldt SWIS team offers various *FREE* interactive, educational, and fun programming that we encourage students and families to attend throughout the year.

SWIS is a partnership between Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC), The Humboldt Regional Newcomer Centre, Horizon School Division and Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools Division.

SWIS services include but are not limited to:

- ❖ Information and referrals
- ❖ School registration
- ❖ School Orientation for Newcomer Students
- ❖ Information Sessions
- ❖ Liaise between teachers, parents, students and support workers to accommodate meetings
- ❖ Promote cultural sensitivity in the school and community
- ❖ Provide translators for students/families with limited EAL ability
- ❖ Provide academic assistance
- ❖ Provide support with parents/teachers during parents/teachers interviews
- ❖ Connect families to community resources (extracurricular activities – funding if eligible)
- ❖ Free summer and after school programming

To participate in the SWIS program, please fill out and return a SWIS Release Form for your child(ren). Once received, SWIS will meet with your family to discuss the program and needs of your child.

Please note, due to the pandemic and return to school restrictions, our in-school services may be limited, however the SWIS team will continue to offer creative programming and ways to connect with our students. As we continue to receive information, we will adjust accordingly.

To keep up to date on programming, events and activities (virtual and in-person), join our [The Humboldt Regional Newcomer Centre Facebook Group](#) and [The Settlement Workers in Schools \(SWIS\) - Humboldt Regional Newcomer Centre Facebook Group](#).

The SWIS Team looks forward to meeting with you and your family.

Thank you,

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