



INFORMATION ABOUT BILINGUAL EDUCATION IN KAJAANI

Kajaani offers bilingual education (Finnish-English) on grades 1-6. The education is based on Finland National Curriculum. ([perusopetuksen opetussuunnitelma](#))

Half of the education will be conducted in English and the other half in Finnish. Each subject will be taught in both languages during the elementary school. The aim of the education is to give a good starting point for a lifelong language learning in Finnish and English.

Grade 1-2 students study at Seminaari school, and the grades 3-6 at Keskuskoulu. Each year the students for grade 1 will be having an admission assessment, which includes a written test and an interview. This will take place at Seminaari school in January.

The applicants are assessed for their Finnish skills and ability to follow instructions and in task focus. Good behaviour will be expected from the chosen students. The students and their families should commit to the bilingual program for the entire period of elementary school. The city will provide transportation for those students who live further than 3 km away (grades 1-2) and over 5 km for grades 3-6.

The details about the language assessment will be sent via email to the applicants. The applicants will be informed about the result by the end of February.

For additional information:

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Principal Erna Huhtala 040 167 7268 (Keskuskoulu G3-6).