

What you need to graduate starting grade 9 in 2024 or later

If you started Grade 9 in 2024 or in later years you must earn

17 Compulsory credits

4 credits in English
3 credits in mathematics
2 credits in science
1 credit tech education (G9 or G 10)
1 credit in Canadian history
1 credit in Canadian geography
1 credit in the arts
1 credit in health and phys-ed
1 credit in French as a 2nd language
0.5 credit in career studies
0.5 credit in civics and citizenship
1 credit from the STEM-related course group

13 optional credits

Literacy graduation requirement

For most students, this means passing the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT) or completing the Literacy course in grade 12.

2 Online Learning Credits

**Opting out of the online learning requirement is available. Please ask in Guidance for more information.

40 Hours of Community Service

Everyone needs 40 hours of community involvement activities (volunteering) to get their high school diploma.

STEM-related course group

Of the 17 compulsory credits, you must complete 1 from the following group:

- business studies
- computer studies
- cooperative education
- mathematics (in addition to the 3 compulsory credits currently required)
- science (in addition to the 2 compulsory credits currently required)
- technological education (in addition to the 1 compulsory credit required)

English language learners:

You may count up to 3 credits in English as a second language (ESL) or English Literacy Development (ELD) towards the 4 compulsory credits in English. It does not matter what year you started Grade 9.

Your fourth credit must be a Grade 12 compulsory English course.

Grade 11 English: Understanding Contemporary First Nations, Métis and Inuit Voices course to meet the Grade 11 English compulsory credit requirement.



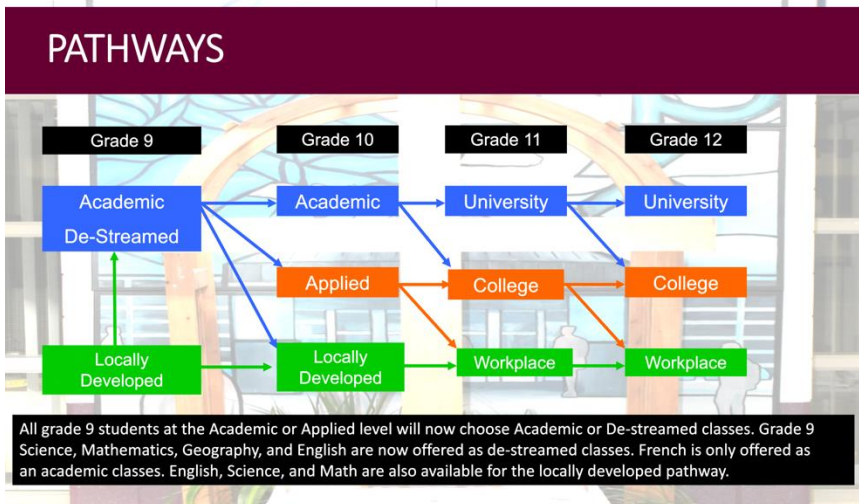
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Grade 8 to 9 Transition

Course Types

De-streamed Courses: grade 9 English, science, geography, and mathematics are available at the de-streamed level. These courses offer the skills required to succeed at the academic and applied level.

Locally Developed Courses: Learn the most essential concepts of a subject. Require teacher direction & instruction to complete activities. Need to improve basic literacy & numeracy skills. Learning skills need some improvement. Require consistent practice and reinforcement.



Can you change levels ?

9 locally developed to 9 de-streamed:

Students may be recommended to take locally developed courses in mathematics, English or science in grade 9. Students who perform extremely well in grade 9 (75%+) may decide, in consultation with parents & teachers, to take grade 9 de-streamed courses in these subjects in grade 10. *Students will still graduate at the same time as their peers.*

Choosing your courses in grade 9:

All students must select 7 compulsory courses.
English – locally developed (L), de-streamed (W)
Mathematics - locally developed (L) de-streamed (W)
Science - locally developed (L), de-streamed (W)
Geography – de-streamed (W)
French - academic (D)
Religion – open (O)
Physical Education – (O) male and female classes

Semestered School

Courses offered on a half-year basis

- 4 subjects from Sept. to January
- 4 subjects from February to June

Exams are written in January and June

Transportation

Yellow Bus pick up provided only to those students who live within the Monsignor Pereyima boundaries and outside the designated walking area. Contact Durham Transit to determine if you qualify for yellow bus transportation.

Uniform

Must dress in appropriate uniform each day. Uniforms must be purchased at McCarthy's – Ajax store. Must wear a McCarthy's golf shirt, McCarthy grey pants or kilt, solid black shoe or runners. www.mccarthyuniforms.ca