

# TOTAL CREDITS NECESSARY: 30

## 17 COMPULSORY CREDITS

You need the following 17 compulsory credits to get your OSSD:

- 4 credits in English (1 credit per grade)
- 3 credits in mathematics (Grade 9, Grade 10 and 1 credit in Grade 11 or 12)
- 2 credits in science
- 1 credit in technological education (Gr. 9 or Gr.10)
- 1 credit in Canadian history (Gr. 10)
- 1 credit in Canadian geography (Gr. 9)
- 1 credit in the arts
- 1 credit in health and physical education
- 1 credit in French as a second language
- 0.5 credit in career studies
- 0.5 credit in civics and citizenship
- 1 credit from the [STEM-related course group](#)

### 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)

## 13 OPTIONAL CREDITS

- 4 Religion credits 1/year
- The other 9 can be anything you like!

### **Note:**

If you plan to go to University, you will need to research what the Gr 12 course requirements are for your chosen program.

- You will need 6 courses that end in “4U or 4M” in order to apply to University.

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- Programs differ in the courses they need.

## OTHER REQUIREMENTS TO GRADUATE

### Literacy Requirement

- Literacy test generally written in Gr. 10
- Can also take a course if not successful on test

### Volunteer Hours

- You need 40 hours (you can do more!)
- Must be for a Not For Profit Organization
- Not a job that someone would usually be paid for

### Online Learning

You must earn at least two online (E-Learning) credits in order to graduate.

### **OPT OUT:**

If you want to opt out of the Online Learning requirement, there is a form available in Guidance that your parents can fill out.