

What do you need to graduate from high school?

<p>18 compulsory credits</p> <p>Students must earn the following compulsory credits to obtain the Ontario Secondary School Diploma:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 4 credits in English (1 credit per grade)*• 3 credits in mathematics (1 credit in Grade 11 or 12)• 2 credits in science• 1 credit in Canadian history• 1 credit in Canadian geography• 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	<p>Plus one credit from each of the following groups:</p> <p>Group 1:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• English or French as a second language**• a Native language• a classical or an international language• social sciences and the humanities• Canadian and world studies• guidance and career education• cooperative education*** <p>Group 2:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• health and physical education• the arts• business studies• French as a second language**• cooperative education*** <p>Group 3:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• science (Grade 11 or 12)• technological education• French as a second language**• computer studies• cooperative education***
<p>In addition to the compulsory credits, students must complete:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 12 optional credits†• 40 hours of community involvement activities• the provincial literacy requirement• earn at least two online learning credits	

**A maximum of 3 credits in English as a second language (ESL) or English literacy development (ELD) may be counted towards the 4 compulsory credits in English, but the fourth must be a credit earned for a Grade 12 compulsory English course.*

***In groups 1, 2, and 3, a maximum of 2 credits in French as a second language can count as compulsory credits, one from group 1 and one from either group 2 or group 3.*

****A maximum of 2 credits in cooperative education can count as compulsory credits.*

†The 12 optional credits may include up to 4 credits earned through approved dual credit courses.