What do you need to Graduate from High School?

18 Compulsory Credits

Students must earn the following compulsory credits to obtain the Ontario Secondary School Diploma:

4	credits in English (1 credit per grade)*
3	credits in mathematics
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

Plus one credit from each of the following groups:

1	**Group 1:** • English or French as a second language** • a Native language • a classical or international language • social sciences and the humanities • Canadian and world studies • guidance and career education • cooperative education***
1	**Group 2:** • health and physical education • the arts • business studies • French as a second language** • cooperative education***
1	**Group 3:** • science (Grade 11 or 12) • technological education • French as a second language** • computer studies • cooperative education***

In addition, students must complete

- *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.