

# Graduation Requirements

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### ***What Do Counsellors Do? We help people!***

- *We help answer your questions*
- *We help you plan for your future*
- *We help you understand yourself*
- *We help you succeed*
- *We help you pick courses*
- *We help you navigate relationships*
- *We help you graduate*
- *We help you learn about you*
- *We help you with LIFE*

***We do what we can to help you succeed!***

## **Keys For Success At NPSS**

1. Attend class regularly
2. Complete assignments on time
3. Actively engage in classes
4. Ask questions

## **BC Graduation (Dogwood Diploma) - Graduation Certificate**

- *French Immersion students are working toward a Dual Dogwood which has additional requirements. Indicated by FI in the following notes.*

## **Overall Graduation Requirements**

- Minimum **80 credits** total. Most courses are 4 credits each.
  - 52 credits of required courses (13 classes), 28 elective credits (7 classes)
- At least **16 credits must be Grade 12 level** (includes English 12 + CLC).
- Must include **at least 4 Indigenous-focused credits**.
- Must include **4 credits in Arts Education and/or Applied Design, Skill, or Technology**.
  - Examples: Woodwork, Foods, Computer Programming, Media Design, Art Studio...

## Grade 10 Required Courses

- Language Arts 10 (Composition + Lit Studies)
- Mathematics 10
- Science 10
- Social Studies 10 or *Sciences Humaines 10 (FI)*
- Career Life Education or *Éducation à la Vie Professionnelle (FI)*
- Physical & Health Education 10
- *Français Langue Seconde-Immersion 10 (FI only)*

## Grade 11/12 Required Courses

- Language Arts 11 (EFP Lit Studies & Writing 11)
- Math 11
- Science 11 or 12
- Social Studies 11/12 or *Explorations Sc. Humaines 11(FI)*
- Language Arts 12
- Career Life Connections
- *Langue et Culture de la Francophonie 11 (FI only)*
- *Français Langue Seconde-Immersion 12 (FI only)*

## Electives

- Minimum 7 elective courses (28 credits)
  - Any course taken in addition to the required courses is considered an elective course.
    - Examples: Math 12, Woodwork 11 or 12, Chemistry 11 (if another science at the grade 11 or 12 level has been completed)

## Assessments Required

- Grade 10 Numeracy Assessment
- Grade 10 Literacy Assessment
- Grade 12 Literacy Assessment
- *Évaluation de littératie 12 (for French Immersion only)*

## Graduation Notes

- Most students finish with between 88 – 92+ credits, some over 100.
  - Planning for exactly 80 credits can be concerning because it doesn't allow for any error.
- Students who meet requirements participate in June graduation ceremonies.
  - If specific courses or credits are missing - no participation in Grad ceremony.

## Grade 10 Matters

- Up to 40% of total grad credits can be completed.
- Math 10 + LA 10 marks may impact trades pathways.
- Failing a course reduces future schedule flexibility.
- It is a foundational year. It is an important year for exploring interests and post-secondary plans.

## Grade 10 Course Decisions

### 1. Math Choice:

- Foundations & Pre-Calculus 10 **or** Workplace Math 10.
  - You need to try your best in your grade 9 math class; your grade helps determine grade 10 math choice. *We recommend 67% or higher in math 9 in order to take Foundation and Pre-Calculus 10*
  - Ask your math teacher which course they recommend
  - Do you have a career in mind? Does it require a certain level of math.

### 2. Electives:

- Choose 2 main electives plus 4–6 alternate choices.