
School Choices

Students are encouraged to attend their home secondary school. However, there are several specialized programs to which interested students may apply. Port Credit Secondary School is home to two regional programs. Students must go through an application and screening process in order to be admitted into regional programs. Port Credit S.S. has two Specialized High Skills Major programs.

Port Credit's regional programs:

- Strings
- SciTech

Port Credit's SHSMs:

- Manufacturing
- Justice

Contact the school for further details about these programs



Choosing Your Courses in Grades 11 and 12

Students will choose courses based on their post-secondary destination:

College/University (M)
College (C)
Apprenticeship (C or U or M or E)
University (U)
Workplace (E)
Open (O)

Post-Secondary Destinations

It is essential that students do their research into the secondary school pre-requisite courses needed to go into specific college, apprenticeship and/or university programs.

Students may perform research by:

- visiting myBlueprint.ca/Peel
- reading the common course calendar online
- visiting the library in the back of the guidance office
- speaking with their guidance counsellor
- contacting the individual institution directly

All Peel students must login and update their myBlueprint educational planner twice annually, beginning in Gr.7. Please visit www.myBlueprint.ca/Peel to create or update your account.



Grade 8 Information Sharing:

Students will learn about Grade 9 choices during elementary school presentations by high school guidance counsellors and at our Open House in October at P.C.S.S.

Port Credit Secondary School



Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD)
Requirements:

✍ 30 Credits

✍ Successful achievement on the
Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT)
written in Grade 10

or

✍ Successful completion of the Ontario Literacy
Course (OLC400)

✍ 40 Hours of Community Involvement

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O.S.S.D. Required Credits

18 Compulsory Credits

- 4 English
- 3 Mathematics—at least one in Grade 11 or 12
- 2 Science
- 1 French as a Second Language
- 1 Canadian History
- 1 Canadian Geography
- 1 Arts (Drama, Music or Visual Arts)
- 1 Health and Physical Education
- 0.5 Civics and 0.5 Career Studies
- 1 of English, or French or a Native language, or Social Sciences, or Humanities, or Canadian and World Studies or Guidance and Career Education, or cooperative education
- 1 of Healthy Active Living or Business or the Arts or French or cooperative education
- 1 Science or Technological education, French or computer studies

Making Your Choices

In Grades 9 and 10, students will choose Academic or Applied in these courses:

- English
- Mathematics
- Science
- French
- Geography (Grade 9)
- History (Grade 10)

The following subjects will be OPEN level courses:

- The Arts (Drama, Music, Beginner Strings, Visual Arts)
- Business
- Technology
- Healthy Active Living Education
- Family Studies
- Civics and Career Studies

Will My Choice of Course Type Close Any Doors?

Different course types lead to different post-secondary destinations. If you change your mind about your post-secondary destination, you may need to take a transfer course or re-do a course at the appropriate level. Your Guidance Counsellor can help you plan for this.

Types of Courses

ACADEMIC

Courses focus on developing students' knowledge and skills by emphasizing theoretical, abstract applications of essential concepts and incorporating practical applications. Greater emphasis is on THEORY.

APPLIED

Courses focus on developing students' knowledge and skills by emphasizing practical, concrete applications of concepts and incorporating theoretical applications. Greater emphasis is on PRACTICAL APPLICATION.

OPEN

Courses that have one set of expectations for all students that enrich their education.

LOCALLY DEVELOPED

Courses that use relevant and practical activities that provide opportunities for students to develop their literacy, numeracy, problem solving, decision making and communication skills for the workplace.

ESL Courses

We offer a variety of ESL courses for students new to Canada. Please speak with your Guidance Counsellor.



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