



WHAT FAMILIES WANT TO KNOW ABOUT DE-STREAMING IN GRADE 9

DE-STREAMING	
What is streaming?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Streaming means separating students into different course types such as Academic, Applied and Locally Developed.
What is de-streaming?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> De-streaming means that schools will no longer be offering courses in the Applied Stream.
Why are courses being de-streaming?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Research shows that de-streaming results in better outcomes for students and particularly for those who are from marginalized communities.
How will student with Special Education Needs be supported?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teachers will implement the Individual Education Plan for students who have Special Education needs. Teachers will continue to work collaboratively with Special Education Resource Teachers to support students in Secondary School.

LOCALLY DEVELOPED-COURSES	
What are Locally Developed (or Essentials) course?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Locally Developed courses support the needs of students who have been receiving significantly modified programming in Grade 8. Locally Developed courses are offered at the Grade 9 and Grade 10 level in the areas of English, Math, Science and/or History. Locally Developed courses accommodate educational and/or career preparation needs that are not met through other courses. Programs at college and university as well as some apprenticeship programs may not accept courses in this pathway for admission.
Why is my child being recommended for a Locally Developed program?	<p>Students who are recommended to take the Locally Developed course may:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> be working on significantly modified curriculum expectations in Grades 7 & 8. not yet working at grade level and require additional support.
What questions should I ask if my child is recommended for Locally Developed programming?	<p>At what grade level is my child working independently without modifications?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What is my child's current achievement level? Is my child working with modifications (changes made in grade level expectations) or accommodations (supports that do not change course expectations)?
What pathway options (Apprenticeship, College, University, Workplace) do students have if they take Locally Developed courses?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students who complete Locally Developed courses in Grade 9 and 10 are being prepared to go directly into Grade 11 Workplace courses, which lead to employment and/or apprenticeship opportunities after high school. Students who successfully complete Locally Developed courses in Grade 9 could then take the same Grade 9 subject in a different course type, such as de-streamed. This pathway could then lead to college, apprenticeship or university courses and programs in Grades 11 and 12.