

# DESTREAMING

## INFORMATION FOR FAMILIES IN TLDSB

### WHY DESTREAMING?

The research on streaming too early is clear: Black, Indigenous, racialized, low income and students with special education needs are significantly more likely to be streamed into applied or locally developed classes which lead to fewer postsecondary options than those of their peers streamed into academic.



### BACKGROUND ON DESTREAMING

Prior to the 2022-2023 school year, Ontario was the only province in Canada to separate students into different pathways as early as grade 9. Academic streaming means separating students into Applied, Academic, and Locally Developed courses. Destreaming means schools will no longer offer courses in the Applied stream.

An effort to ensure all students can reach their full potential started with a new math course in September of 2021, and continued with changes to Science, English, French, and Geography in September of 2022.

A destreamed grade 9 program will create the conditions for all students to be successful, to be prepared for the senior program in secondary school, and to pursue any post-secondary pathway they choose.

### STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL EDUCATION NEEDS

Teachers will continue to implement Individual Education Plans (IEPs) for students who have Special Education needs in all classes. Our Special Education Teachers will also continue to support students in destreamed courses.

### COURSE CHANGES

#### PAST



##### English:

- Locally Developed
- Academic
- Applied



##### Geography:

- Academic
- Applied



##### MERi French:

- Academic
- Applied



##### Math:

- Locally Developed
- Destreamed



##### Science:

- Locally Developed
- Academic
- Applied



#### PRESENT



##### English:

- Locally Developed
- Destreamed



##### Geography:

- Destreamed



##### MERi French:

- Destreamed



##### Math:

- Locally Developed
- Destreamed



##### Science:

- Locally Developed
- Destreamed

### LOCALLY DEVELOPED COMPULSORY CREDIT COURSES

Locally Developed courses support the needs of students who have been receiving modified programming in Grade 8. Locally Developed courses are offered at the Grade 9 and Grade 10 level and 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.

### CHANGES TO GRADE 10 MATH

The ministry released an Addendum for each of the 2022-23 Grade 10 Academic and Applied Mathematics courses to support students in their transition from the destreamed Grade 9 Mathematics course to the current Grade 10 Mathematics courses.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION ON DESTREAMING



Read this Article: [Roadmaps and Roadblocks; Career and life planning, guidance, and streaming in Ontario's schools](#)



Go here: [The Ontario Ministry of Education's Curriculum and Resources site](#)



Watch this video: [A Brief History of Academic Streaming in Ontario](#)



Ask your student's incoming guidance team!