

## Senior Years and Post-Secondary Education Considerations

### Homeschooling Options

A family may choose to homeschool in part or in whole during their child's senior years (Grades 9 to 12) education. The options below offer some suggestions for consideration; however, each family chooses a model of education that best meets their needs. Please note: homeschool students are subject to the requirement of studying to age 18 in Manitoba.

#### Homeschooling

During the senior years, homeschooled students are required to study in each of the four core areas (Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies). A minimum of 16 courses must be completed over the four years. As such, homeschooled students do not meet requirements for a Manitoba High School Diploma. The Homeschooling Office cannot review students course work for the purpose of granting credits leading to a Manitoba High School Diploma.

#### Combination Homeschooling and Public or Funded Independent School Enrolment

An example of combining homeschooling and attendance in a public or funded independent school is where a family homeschools for part of the student's senior years education (for example, grades 9 and 10) and then enrolls the student in a public or funded independent school for the other part (for example, grades 11 and 12). The school principal is responsible for making placement decisions as well as for determining whether homeschool courses qualify for credit. Students enrolled in public or funded independent schools who meet provincial graduation requirements receive a Manitoba High School Diploma. See [www.edu.gov.mb.ca/k12/policy/grad\\_require.html](http://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/k12/policy/grad_require.html).

To find a school [www.edu.gov.mb.ca/k12/schools/index.html](http://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/k12/schools/index.html).

#### InformNet

InformNet is an accredited online high school. InformNet courses provide students with daily instruction, assignments and evaluation through regular email and web-based interaction from a certified high school teacher. InformNet collaborates with Manitoba high schools, students, and parents to ensure effective educational support. Students complete credits which apply toward Manitoba High School Diploma requirements. Parents are responsible for any expenses incurred. See [www.informnet.mb.ca/](http://www.informnet.mb.ca/).

#### Teacher Mediated Option (TMO)

TMO delivers live high school instruction via a virtual classroom to Manitoba students under the age of 21. TMO is a semesterized program. Students join online or via a phone for in class sessions. All course credits earned go toward a Manitoba High School Diploma. Parents are responsible for any expenses incurred. See [tmopinecreeksd.weebly.com/](http://tmopinecreeksd.weebly.com/).

#### High School Apprenticeship Program (HSAP)

The purpose of [HSAP](#) is to provide an opportunity for early entry in the trades and build interest with youth. Students (minimum age 15) may enrol in HSAP for practical, paid, work experience with an employer. Students are able to transfer their hours of HSAP to a Level one apprenticeship training program. Contact the Homeschooling Office for more information. Apprenticeship Application forms [www.manitoba.ca/aesi/apprenticeship/generalinfo/forms.html#hsap](http://www.manitoba.ca/aesi/apprenticeship/generalinfo/forms.html#hsap).

### **MITT High School**

MITT High School is a public technical and trades high school within a post-secondary institution where Grade 11 and 12 students simultaneously earn credits toward their high school diploma and a trade certificate. Students may choose one of the following technical programs: Automotive Technology, Culinary Arts, Electrical Trades Technology, Hairstyling, and Welding Technology. MITT will assess educational credentials for admission eligibility for Homeschooling applicants. There is no fee to attend MITT High School. For more information, please email [highschool@mitt.ca](mailto:highschool@mitt.ca) or telephone 204-989-8328. See [mitt.ca/highschool](http://mitt.ca/highschool).

### **Adult Learning Centres (ALCs)**

Adult Learning Centres are located throughout the province and offer in class instruction with some online options. Students must be a minimum of 19 years of age to register. All courses are Manitoba accredited and are taught by certified teachers. Courses are delivered in class, online, via learning packages, or through any customized combination. Students can earn a Manitoba High School Diploma, a Mature Student High School Diploma, or upgrade their courses for post-secondary entrance requirements. See [www.edu.gov.mb.ca/all/learners/index.html](http://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/all/learners/index.html).

### **Canadian Adult Education Credential (CAEC) testing (replaces the GED)**

The [CAEC](#) replaces the GED in Manitoba. GED testing ended in Canada effective May 3, 2024. The CAEC is for Canadian adults who do not have a high school diploma but need an education credential to open new doors to training or employment opportunities. In Manitoba, test takers who successfully complete the CAEC are eligible to receive a High School Equivalency Certificate. Homeschooled students aged 17-18, who have completed their 12th year of education, may have the age 19 eligibility requirement waived. Contact the Homeschooling Office about this waiver.

## **Career Planning and Post-Secondary Education**

As students begin their senior years education, it is important to consider career planning and post-secondary education options. Homeschooling families are responsible to determine entrance or application requirements for further study or employment.

### **Post-Secondary Institutions**

Post-secondary institutions (colleges, universities, private vocational institutions, bible colleges) each set their own admissions requirements. It is recommended that families determine the admission requirements for the programs of interest to their child well in advance of submitting an application for admission. This will help students align their senior years course choices with program admissions requirements. Supporting documentation such as a resume, portfolio of work, Student Notification Forms, January and June Progress Reports may be required for admission.

### **Apprenticeship**

Apprenticeship programs are work-based post-secondary training that leads to a Certificate of Qualification in a skilled trade. Most trade programs take 2-4 years to complete and they combine approximately 80 percent paid on-the-job training with 20 percent technical training in the classroom. See [www.gov.mb.ca/wd/apprenticeship/](http://www.gov.mb.ca/wd/apprenticeship/).

### **Senior Years Transcripts**

Some post-secondary institutions may request a high school transcript for admission. The Homeschooling Office cannot provide student transcripts. Homeschooling parents may choose to create transcripts for their children. Sample transcript templates are available online.