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Homeschooling Information

Requirements for Secondary Education Diploma

Overview

To earn the **DES**, students must accumulate **at least 54 credits** across Secondary 4 and 5, with **a minimum of 20 credits at the Secondary 5 level**.

Minimum passing grade for these courses is **60%**, per Québec regulations.

Quebec Secondary School Diploma (DES) – Required Courses

Secondary 4 (Grade 10)	1) Mathematics CST **OR** Mathematics SN* *required to pursue Science program in CEGEP	563-414 (4 credits) 565-426 (6 credits)
	2) Science & Technology **OR** Applied Science & Technology	555-444 (4 credits) 557-444 (4 credits)
	3) History of Quebec and Canada	585-404 (4 credits)
	4) Arts (**choice of one discipline**: Visual Arts, Music, Dance or Drama)	668-402, 669-402, 670-402, OR 672-402 (2 credits)
Secondary 5 (Grade 11)	5) English Language Arts	632-536 (6 credits)
	6) French Second Language de Base **OR** French Second Language Enrichi	634-504 (4 credits) 635-506 (6 credits)
	7) Culture and Citizenship in Quebec **OR** Physical Education	569-502 (2 credits) 543-502 (2 credits)

***Note that as of 2024-2025, reach back credits are no longer given therefore students MUST pass Sec. 4 courses to take Sec. 5 courses.**