

# High school learning

# COVID-19

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## Learning continues

Students will focus on the core courses needed for graduation, including language (English, French and French language arts), social studies, mathematics, biology, chemistry and physics. Content from other courses will be delivered where possible.

Students will complete an average of three hours per course per week. Work will be done online or through other methods such as course packages and telephone check-ins.

## Diploma exams

Grade 12 diploma exams are cancelled through to the end of June 2020. Students currently scheduled to write diploma exams in April and June will receive exemptions, without having to apply.

Under special circumstances, students may request to write a diploma exam. Students with special circumstances may include some home-schooled students or adult learners. Students who do not study under a school authority can contact [exam.admin@gov.ab.ca](mailto:exam.admin@gov.ab.ca) for assistance.

## Graduation

Every student who is eligible to graduate from Grade 12 this year will graduate. Students moving on to post-secondary studies will not be penalized.

The provincial government will be working with post-secondary institutions to ensure these extraordinary circumstances do not prevent students from being eligible for admission to post-secondary studies in the upcoming school year.

## Credits to graduate

Students on track to receive 100 or more credits will still be eligible to graduate and receive a high school diploma.

Principals will have the ability to award up to 15 unassigned credits to students in Grade 12 whose program has been negatively impacted by class cancellations. For any courses that had started, schools will complete them with the student to the best of their ability. A final mark and credits will be awarded.

If the student is unable to complete a course that would have led them to achieve a high school diploma, such as a work experience or a career and technology studies course, principals have the ability to award credits to ensure the student graduates.

If students have questions about graduating this year, they should talk to their school principal. If students have additional questions, they can contact [StudentSupport@gov.ab.ca](mailto:StudentSupport@gov.ab.ca).



## Graduation ceremonies

It is still too early to know how long the current situation will last, but any plans being considered will have to follow the direction from the Chief Medical Officer of Health at that time. For the most up-to-date information, visit [Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) info for Albertans](#).