



What is the Nova Scotia High School Diploma for Adults?

The *Nova Scotia High School Diploma for Adults* is a diploma issued by the Department of Labour & Workforce Development (formerly with Department of Education).

It recognizes the recipient as having completed a high school or secondary education.

Am I eligible to apply for the diploma?

You may be eligible to apply for this diploma if you:

- ✓ are 19 years of age or older and;
- ✓ have been out of public school for one full year or more and;
- ✓ do not already have a Department of Education recognized high school graduation diploma.

How can the diploma help me?

The *Nova Scotia High School Diploma for Adults* will help you to:

- ✓ improve your employability,
- ✓ gain entrance into post-secondary programs in colleges and universities,
- ✓ learn new skills and improve existing abilities.

Where is the diploma offered?

The diploma may be offered through:

- ✓ regional school boards
- ✓ Nova Scotia Community College (NSCC)
- ✓ Université Sainte-Anne

How many credits do I need to earn my diploma?

To earn your diploma, you will need to successfully complete 12 credits from any one or a combination of the following choices:

- ✓ *Grades 11 & 12 Public School Program* credits offered by regional school boards,
- ✓ *Adult Learning Program Level 4* credits offered by the NSCC,
- ✓ *Correspondence Study Program* credits offered through the Department of Education.

What credits do I need to earn my diploma?

You will need *6 compulsory* and *6 elective* credits.

The 6 compulsory credits are:

- ✓ 2 credits - English/French Language Arts or Communications (grade 11 and 12)
- ✓ 1 credit – Mathematics (grade 11 or 12)
- ✓ 1 credit – Science (grade 11 or 12)
- ✓ 1 credit - Technology, Mathematics, Science, or Social Studies (grade 11 or 12)
- ✓ 1 credit - Global Studies (grade 11 or 12)

The 6 elective credits are:

- ✓ Any courses in any subject area that may assist in meeting personal or professional goals.

You may be granted equivalency credits from prior educational courses in vocational, training and post-secondary programs.

You may also receive credits based on abilities and skills you have acquired through work and life experiences.

How do I decide which credits best meet my needs?

The credits you select to earn your diploma will depend on your educational and career goals.

Your regional school board or NSCC will discuss your credit requirements and assist in your credit choices at the beginning of the program.

Is there a cost to earn my diploma?

If you do not have a recognized high school graduation diploma, you will pay *no tuition* to earn your diploma (this includes correspondence studies as well). However, there may be registration fees and book costs. Those students who have a high school diploma and wish to upgrade previous credits will be charged fees.

Who can I contact for more information?

Northern Region

- ✓ Adult Education Office 893-7200
- ✓ Chignecto-Central Regional School Bd.
Truro Adult High School 897-8957
Amherst Adult High School 661-2482
New Glasgow Adult High School 755-8139
- ✓ Nova Scotia Community College
Cumberland Campus 597-3737
Pictou Campus 752-2002
Truro Campus 893-5346

Metro Region

- ✓ Adult Education Office 424-8421
- ✓ Halifax Regional School Bd. 864-7508
- ✓ Nova Scotia Community College
Akerley Campus 491-4900
Halifax Campus 491-4636

Cape Breton Region

- ✓ Adult Education Office 563-2270
- ✓ Cape Breton/Victoria School Bd. 562-5178
- ✓ Nova Scotia Community College
Marconi Campus 563-2450

Southwestern Region

- ✓ Adult Education Office 543-2376
- ✓ Southwest Regional School Board
Yarmouth Adult High School 749-2830
Queens Adult High School 354-7630
Lunenburg Adult High School 527-5990
- ✓ Nova Scotia Community College
Burridge Campus 742-0760
Lunenburg Campus 543-4608
Shelburne Campus 875-8640

Valley Region

- ✓ Adult Education Office 679-6204
- ✓ Annapolis Valley Regional School Bd.
Annapolis Comm. Learning Ctr. 584-4512
Hants West Learning Ctr. 796-6750
Kings County Learning Ctr. 690-3801
- ✓ Southwest Regional School Board
Digby Learning Ctr. 245-7530
- ✓ Nova Scotia Community College
Annapolis Valley Campus 825-2930
Kingstec Campus 679-7361

Strait Region

- ✓ Adult Education Office 625-4031
- ✓ Strait Regional School Board 625-7053
- ✓ Nova Scotia Community College
Strait Area Campus 625-4017

Acadian Community

- ✓ Adult Education Office 749-2260
- ✓ Université Sainte-Anne
Halifax 424-2630
St-Joseph-du-Moine 224-4100
Petit-de-Grat 226-3900
Pointe-de-l'Église 769-2114

Please note: Program schedule and course availability may vary from region to region, depending on enrolment and class capacity.