## DE-STREAMING GRADE 9 MATH

| What is streaming? | Streaming refers to offering different course types at each grade  
|                    | Currently, in Ontario, secondary schools offer Academic, Applied,  
|                    | and Locally Developed (Essential) courses in Grade 9 & 10 for the  
|                    | subject areas of Math, English, Science, Geography, History, &  
|                    | French |
| What is de-streaming? | De-streaming means students would no longer select Applied or  
|                       | Academic courses |
| Why is the ministry de-streaming? | Research has shown that de-streaming offers a more equitable and  
|                                   | inclusive learning environment, resulting in better outcomes for  
|                                   | students  
|                                   | De-streaming at the Grade 9 level, means students in Grade 8 don’t  
|                                   | have to decide on a pathway or ‘stream’ until after they have had  
|                                   | experience in secondary school |
| Which courses are being de-streamed? | Grade 9 Math is being de-streamed for the 2021-22 school year  
|                                      | The Locally Developed Course or Essential Math course will still be  
|                                      | available in Grade 9  
|                                      | In future years, the ministry intends to de-stream other Grade 9  
|                                      | subjects |
| What is the difference between the Grade 9 De-streamed Math and the Locally Developed (Essential) Math? | The Locally Developed Math course focuses on math used in  
|                                                                                   | everyday life. Students recommended to take this course have  
|                                                                                   | engaged in a modified math program in Grade 7 & 8.  
|                                                                                   | The De-streamed Math Course builds upon and extends learning  
|                                                                                   | from Grade 8 concepts |
| What pathway options do students have after Grade 9 Math? | From the Grade 9 De-streamed Course, successful students will be  
|                                                         | prepared to select the Applied or Academic Grade 10 Math Course,  
|                                                         | which then lead into college or university pathways, or  
|                                                         | apprenticeship programs  
|                                                         | From the Grade 9 Locally Developed/Essential Course, successful  
|                                                         | students will be prepared to enter Grade 10 Essential, then into the  
|                                                         | Workplace Courses which lead to employment and some  
|                                                         | apprenticeship opportunities after high school |

*Math Pathways Chart & course information

*Video explanation of De-streaming & pathways