



# WELCOME TO GRADE 10

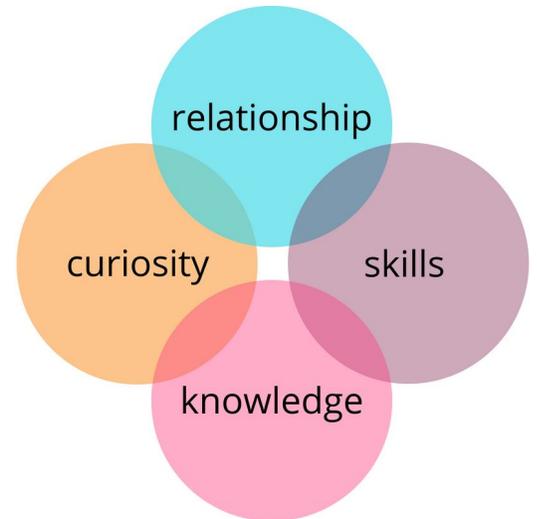
**In this welcome package you will find:**

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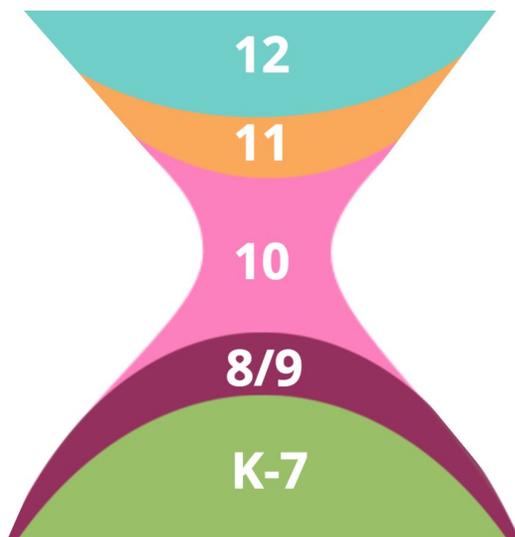
## Goals

Grade 10 at SelfDesign strives towards these goals:

- Inspire you to be excited and curious about learning
- Assess and grow core skills at the grade 10 level
- Support knowledge growth rooted in critical thought
- Learn through relationship



## Overview



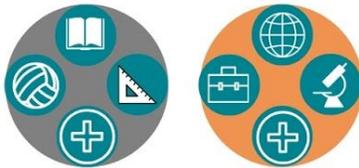
The Grade 10 foundational program is learning through relationship (learning consultant + learning specialist + peers) with integrated courses explored through two themes of interest over the year. The Grade 10 program supports you in meeting your future goals through core skill development essential to your success in future grades.

# WHAT TO EXPECT IN GRADE 10

**6+**  
COURSES



**2**  
THEMES



**20**  
HOURS



15-18+ Theme work

1 Learning Consultant  
Connect

2 Theme meetings

♥ OBSERVING FOR LEARNING  
WEEKLY CONNECTION WITH YOUR  
LEARNING CONSULTANT ♥

## LEARNER RESPONSIBILITIES



Learn how to make your thinking visible.



Build a foundation for interest-based personal challenge projects.



Engage with books, videos, articles, and activities - amazing resources about topics related to your chosen theme.



Complete weekly challenges that co-inspire and support development of the skills you need.

## CONTENT

Be responsible for content of real-time weekly meeting, either through participation (highly encouraged) or through other online engagement opportunities.

## What to expect in Grade 10

You will choose two themes over the year, based on your interests and passions!

What you can expect:

- ★ Courses that are grouped and integrated into a theme, which is a subject the learner is interested in such as animals, gaming or storytelling.
- ★ Opportunities to connect with your peers through group-based learning.
- ★ Additional math and second language courses offered in spring semester.
- ★ 20-plus hours of course-based learning each week, which includes 17-plus hours of coursework, one hour of weekly connection with a learning consultant, and two hours of connection with a learning specialist who shares your interests
- ★ Your learning year tailored to suit your interests and goals with the ongoing support from a dedicated learning consultant.
- ★ Creation of a Personal Challenge Project - a passion-lead project with your own personal interest as the focus.
- ★ Many possibilities to participate in camps throughout the province throughout the year.

Feel free to share your thoughts about Grade 10 with your learning consultant this spring.

**Questions?**

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## How learning is supported



At SelfDesign, learning begins with a parent or guardian who supports your growth.

### Learning consultant

Your learning consultant is your personal go-to support and you meet with them weekly. They will coach you in how to observe your daily activities and notice learning as it unfolds in everyday moments, and support you in developing and achieving personal goals. At SelfDesign Learning Community, we call this Observing for Learning. Your learning consultant will also support you in organizing and managing your time, guide you through theme selection and course registration, and will share in assessing your learning with your learning specialist on a seasonal basis.

### Learning specialist

Your learning specialist is your theme or course facilitator who you connect with on a weekly basis. They facilitate real-time meetings and have office hours where you can meet with one-on-one or in a small group. They guide you through the course competencies and content, comment on and assess your learning artifacts weekly, and share in assessing your learning with your learning consultant on a seasonal basis.



### Additional educators

You may be supported by additional educators such as a SupportEd Assistant or tutor who may connect with your learning consultant and learning specialist to support you.



### Peers

You have the opportunity to join peers in weekly real-time meetings in the themes, learning consultant-hosted group video chats, seasonal Learner Showcase celebrations, discussion forums and other online interactions, and take part in live camps and gatherings across the province. All of these are highly encouraged, but you can find ways to connect that feel most comfortable to you!

