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I'm on an adapted program and am working toward a Dogwood Diploma. What will grades 10-12 at SelfDesign look like for me?

Learners on adapted programs will choose two themes over the year, one per semester, based on your interests and passions. Your learning consultant and learning specialist will work together, with our grades 10-12 SupportEd team, to tailor the program to fit the adaptations you need. This could mean extra support for organizational and executive functioning skills as well as extending timelines on a weekly basis or extending your overall timeline for graduation.

I'm on a modified program and will be working toward a school completion certificate. What are my options for grades 10-12?

Learners on a modified program have a few options. You can choose to join one of the grade 10-12 themes: Developing MySelf 10, Guiding MySelf 11, or Being MySelf 12, where you'll learn about transitioning to adulthood with an academic focus. There are offerings to stimulate the heart, body, and mind with the goal of generalizing these skills to the learner's independent environment. You can also choose to join a general program theme based on your interests and your learning consultant and learning specialist will work together with you and your learning team to create an individualized plan for your learning.

For parents, when a theme is chosen, the theme becomes the foundation of your child's learning for the year. There are ways to build in your child's passions and external

programs, but the themes are the foundation and require communication and participation. The theme is the base and you can add in additional programming as required for your child. It is a commitment with many benefits and support!

I'm on a combined program, what will my program look like?

Learners on combined programs will also choose two themes over the year, one per semester, based on your interests and passions. Your learning consultant and learning specialist will work together, with our grades 10-12 SupportEd team, to tailor the program to fit your individual needs. This may mean participating in less than three courses at a time and/or using the foundation of the theme to bring in your own interests, goals, and activities. This offers flexibility in timelines, varying the number of challenges and artifacts you'll do, or extra support for organizational and executive functioning skills.

My goal in a few years is to obtain my Adult Graduation Diploma, what does that look like?

Connecting with your learning consultant about your goals is important, and is a natural part of the learning plan conversation. Your learning consultant will help you to chart whichever completion path best suits you as a learner. Our guidance team will help support you, your learning consultant and your learning team to make the right decisions and create a plan. An individualized plan will then be created for you, which could mean taking less than three courses at a time, extending timelines on a weekly basis, or extending your overall timeline for graduation.

My child works with a third party service provider, can they successfully participate in the themes?

Learners who spend time with service providers can participate in our themes. Great communication between the SupportEd assistant (SEA) or other service providers, learning consultant, learning specialist and parents is the key to success. All learners in grades 10-12 choose a theme each semester based on interests and passions. Exploring the theme content and developing skills through the weekly challenges can be facilitated by the service providers, in addition to working towards individualized education plan goals.

I have a tutor. Do I have to work on my grade 10-12 theme content with them?

Yes. This is highly recommended. Some learners will need support to navigate grades 10-12 and publish learning artifacts you are proud of. Having a tutor or SupportEd assistant support is a great idea! Many learners have their own projects on the go as well, and SupportEd assistants and tutors can help you to integrate your passions and interests into grades 10-12 at SelfDesign.

I need some support with organization and time management. Are there any resources to help me in grades 10-12?

Your learning consultant will be able to offer resources, communicate with your parent/guardian, SupportEd assistant or tutor, and your learning specialist to create systems that work for you. For many learners, this is one of the biggest learning experiences of grades 10-12 at SelfDesign!