

# 2024 Student Summer Learning Program

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NEW BRUNSWICK VIRTUAL LEARNING CENTRE

The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development (EECD) is offering a **free** summer learning program for students. It is open to students entering grades 10, 11, or 12 in the upcoming school year and to those who graduate in June 2024. To be eligible, you need to be registered in a New Brunswick high school, in June of this year, in one of the four Anglophone districts.

This program allows you to earn a mark that will be added to your regular school transcript. These are full courses and take a significant amount of time to complete (~**4 hours each day**). If you want to improve a mark or get ahead in a course, *and you have the time to commit*, this program might be for you.

**This program requires daily attendance and participation. If you are unable to commit the required time, this program is not a good fit for you.** These courses will be available online coming school year as well.

## Key Dates

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Registration opens	June 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Courses begin	June 27 <sup>th</sup>
Last day to register	June 24 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of courses	July 25 <sup>th</sup>

## Courses Offered (note: some courses have prerequisites)

### English Language Arts

- English 122

### Humanities

- World Issues 120

### Sciences

- Chemistry 112 / Chemistry 122
- Physics 112 / Physics 122

### Mathematics

- Number, Relations, and Functions 10
- Foundations of Math 110
- Pre-Calculus 110
- Pre-Calculus A 120
- Pre-Calculus B 120

Students can take a maximum of one course.

## Important Guidelines for Success in the Summer Online Course Program

Our past experiences during summer courses have revealed a crucial factor: **consistent effort leads to success**. Students who diligently engage with the course content tend to achieve positive outcomes. Conversely, those who do not maintain a steady effort find themselves falling behind.

Here are some essential points to consider:

### 1. Consistency Matters:

- **Work Daily:** Commit to working on the course material every day. Consistency ensures that you stay on track and absorb the content effectively.
- **Avoid Delays:** Starting late or missing time can disrupt your progress. Consistent participation is key.

### 2. Course Removal Policy:

- We must address an uncomfortable reality: students who consistently neglect their coursework will be **removed from the program**.
- This serves multiple purposes:
  - **Teacher Time:** Our instructors need time to grade assignments and provide valuable feedback.
  - **True Learning:** Regular participation ensures that you genuinely learn and retain the material.
  - **No Last-Minute Rush:** Completing the course in the final two weeks is not feasible. Consistent effort is essential from the start.

### 3. Prioritize Your Commitment:

- If you cannot make this course your top priority, we strongly advise reconsidering your enrollment.
- Remember, success requires dedication and active participation.

## To Register

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Registration will take place through your school, in the same way as regular online courses. Check with guidance or administration at your school for information. Courses may need to meet a minimum enrollment threshold to be offered. Schools will be notified of any changes to the course list and other information.

## Information for students and families

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**Q.** What's the workload like?

**A.** It's an 18-week course done over one month. You can expect to be putting in several hours each day. This is not a self-paced course.

**Q.** How is the course offered? Who teaches it?

**A.** Courses will be offered in Brightspace, the same platform as regular distance learning courses. Courses are taught by NB teachers. You participate from home.

**Q.** Do I need to have taken the course before, like with regular summer school?

**A.** No, it's not necessary. You can take a new course for the experience or to free up your schedule. You do need to have the necessary prerequisites to be enrolled.

**Q.** Do I need to be available each day? When do I need to be online?

**A.** Yes, you need to demonstrate evidence of working each day. Teachers will be available in the morning and possibly other times by special arrangement.

**Q.** How is my mark recorded? What if I don't pass?

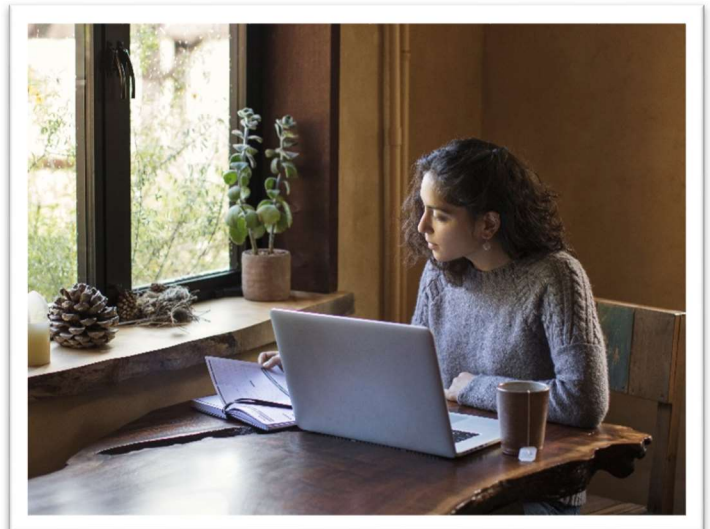
**A.** At the end of the course, we will send your final mark to your school. They will update your transcript. If you are unsuccessful, or you earn a lower mark on a repeat attempt of a course, it won't be recorded.

**Q.** What do I need for computer equipment?

**A.** You will need a computer to complete the course (PC or Mac). Where all content is online, internet access is required. For software, you need an up-to-date browser.

**Q.** Can I learn at my own pace?

**A.** Sort of, you're not moving through as part of a class. You can interact with the content as you like, for instance to rewatch a video or move quickly through a section you understand well. Assignments have due dates, and you need to hand in work based on timelines in the course.



**Q.** Why am I being asked to provide a phone number and/or outside email address?

**A.** Schools are closed. If we can't reach you through your student account, we will use this information.

**Q.** What information do I need to sign in? How will I know how to start? (<https://nbvlc.nbed.nb.ca>)

**A.** You'll use your regular NBSS username and password. Before the course starts, you'll receive an email from the teacher with information about how to get started. Courses will open on the first day.

**Q.** This isn't what I expected / I found a summer job / I no longer need to take this course... now what?

**A.** Please notify your online teacher and they will withdraw you from the course.

**Q.** I still have questions!

**A.** Throughout the semester we update schools with additional information. You can also email [distance.learning@nbed.nb.ca](mailto:distance.learning@nbed.nb.ca) with questions. Please include some specifics so we know how to best answer your questions.