

# Reaching Ahead: Frequently Asked Questions

## **Q: Where is the course offered?**

A: Reaching Ahead sections are created according to enrolment. A full class of students must commit to the course to be able to offer the course in a specific area.

## **Q: What will students learn?**

A: Our mission in this program is to ensure that students feel welcome and prepared for high school in the fall. We discuss study strategies, organizational habits, employability skills that are useful for finding a part time job, literacy and numeracy skills, and many other useful topics that will help students in their transition to secondary school.

## **Q: When is the deadline for registration?**

Friday, May 31st, 2019.

## **Q: How do I register?**

A: Students can register using the Career Cruising program that is used to register for grade 9 courses. Instructions for registration through Career Cruising can be found on the [www.reachingahead.ca](http://www.reachingahead.ca) website.

## **Q: How do I register if I am currently attending another school board?**

A: Students who are transferring into the GECDSD in the fall can complete an application and submit it to the Mason Educational Centre, 284 Cameron, Windsor ON, N9B 1A1.

## **Q: How many hours each day are students required to spend earning this credit?**

A: Students are required to complete 110 course hours to receive this credit. Students will attend classes for 4 hours each morning (including breaks), Monday through Friday, and are required to complete an additional **2 hours online** each afternoon or evening.

## **Q: What do the students need for the course?**

A: Because the course is blended (partly online), students who register must have reliable access to the Internet. No additional software is required as the course is hosted through the Desire2Learn eLearning platform. Students will also need a binder, pens, and paper for the classroom component.

## **Q: How many days can a student miss?**

A: The Reaching Ahead program follows the same expectations as summer school courses. Students cannot miss more than 2 days of classes as this jeopardizes the time required to earn the credit.

## **Q: Are there classes or work assigned on the week-ends?**

While students are welcome to complete work online during the week-end, the expectation is that students complete their work during the allotted classroom times and online sessions Monday through Friday.

## **Q: How much does it cost?**

A: The program is free for all students.