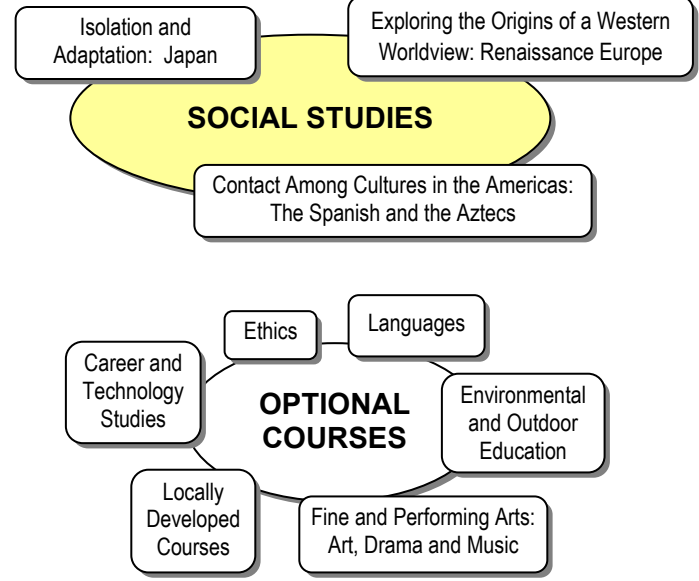
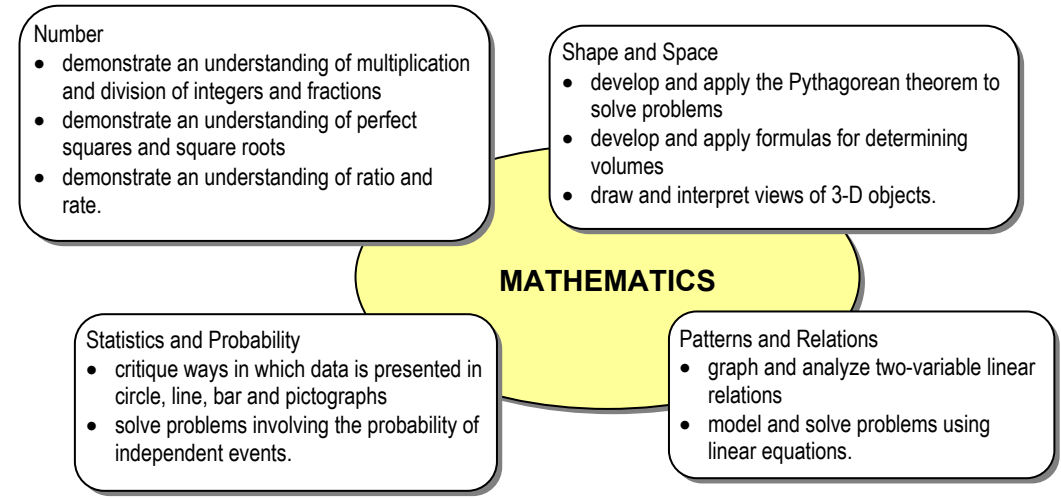
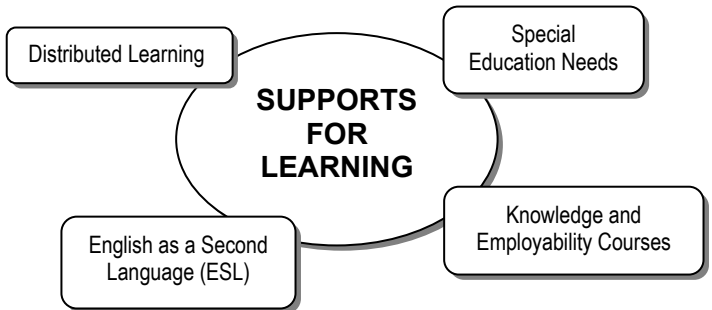


GRADE 8 AT-A-GLANCE



INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT). Students learn and apply ICT knowledge and skills while learning in content areas such as language arts, mathematics, science and social studies.

Information for Parents

Parents can access information about the curriculum and learning resources in a number of ways:

- your child's teacher or school
- Curriculum Summaries
- Curriculum Handbooks
- Programs of Study on the Alberta Education Web site.

How Can I Help My Child At Home?

Show interest in school activities by:

- asking questions
- helping with homework and projects
- setting aside time and a place for your child to complete homework.

Use Alberta Education and other resources produced for parents, such as

- **The Parent Advantage**—*Tips and strategies for helping with homework in grades 1 through 9.*
- **Make School Work for You: A Resource for Junior and Senior High Students Who Want to Be More Successful Learners**—*Information on knowing yourself, getting organized, making every class count, test taking, presenting learning, getting along with others and staying motivated.*
- **Working Together in Mathematics Education**—*Ways parents can support student learning in mathematics.*
http://education.alberta.ca/media/356481/mat_hprbk.pdf

- **LearnAlberta.ca Web site**—*Online multimedia learning resources that directly relate to the Alberta programs of study.*
<http://learnalberta.ca>
- **TELUS 2Learn Web site**—*An education-business partnership that provides Internet inservice, support and mentorship for Alberta teachers.* <http://www.2learn.ca>

Schooling in Alberta

Curriculum describes what students are expected to learn. Alberta Education develops the curriculum in consultation with teachers, administrators, parents, representatives from post-secondary institutions, and professional and community groups.

Teachers use the curriculum to plan learning activities that meet their students' needs and abilities. They regularly assess student progress, reporting to parents, students and administrators.

Students write provincial achievement tests in grades 3, 6 and 9.

Languages

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| ➤ Blackfoot | ➤ Italian |
| ➤ Chinese (Mandarin) | ➤ Japanese |
| ➤ Cree | ➤ Punjabi |
| ➤ French | ➤ Spanish |
| ➤ German | ➤ Ukrainian |

These languages as well as others may be available at your child's school. For more information, contact the local school board.

Where Can I Get More Information?

- The Alberta Education Web site
<http://education.alberta.ca/>
- Arts, Communications and Citizenship
Telephone: 780-427-2984
Fax: 780-422-3745
E-mail: curric.contact@education.gov.ab.ca
- Digital Design and Resource Authorization
Telephone: 780-427-2984
Fax: 780-422-3745
E-mail: curric.contact@education.gov.ab.ca
- Distributed Learning
Telephone: 780-674-5350
Fax: 780-674-6561
E-mail: DLB.General@gov.ab.ca
- First Nations, Métis and Inuit Services
Telephone: 780-415-9300
Fax: 780-415-9306
E-mail: FNMIServices@gov.ab.ca
- French Language Education Services
Telephone: 780-427-2940
Fax: 780-422-1947
E-mail: LSB@edc.gov.ab.ca
- Learner Assessment
Telephone: 780-427-0010
Fax: 780-422-4200
E-mail: LAcontact@edc.gov.ab.ca
- Mathematics and Science
Telephone: 780-427-2984
Fax: 780-422-3745
E-mail: curric.contact@education.gov.ab.ca
- Special Education Branch
Telephone: 780-422-6326
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