

PLAR for Mature Students Links to Web Resources

Policy/Program Memorandum 132

Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition for Mature Students – Revised Mandatory Requirements

Mature students typically complete their secondary education with specific goals and timelines in order to support their future career and education endeavors. It is important that mature students are supported to expeditiously achieve their Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) and efficiently move to sustainable employment, postsecondary education and/or apprenticeship.

Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition (PLAR) for Mature Students provides a process by which the prior experiences of adult learners, both formal and informal, can be recognized for secondary credit, minimizing duplication of learning, saving the learner time and opportunity costs, and providing them with an enhanced pathway to high school graduation.

[Ontario Ministry of Education - Policy/Program Memorandum-132 - PLAR for Mature Students](#)

Ontario Association of Adult and Continuing Education School Board Administrators (CESBA) Quick Fact Sheet about PLAR for Mature Students

The following questions will be answered via the link below:

- What is Prior Learning?
- What is Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition (PLAR) for Mature Students?
- How Does PLAR Work?
- Do All School Boards Offer PLAR?
- Are There Diploma Requirements for Mature Students?
- What if I have a completed Certificate of Apprenticeship or Post Secondary Diploma and/or Degree but require my OSSD for Employment Purposes?
- Who is a Mature Student?
- Is There a Cost?
- Where do I Find More Information?

[CESBA - PLAR for Mature Students Quick Fact Sheet: September 2023](#)

CESBA Summary of Key Revisions to PPM 132 - PLAR from the 2003 to the 2023 version

[CESBA Summary Table of Key Revisions to PPM 132 for September 2023](#)

PLAR for Mature Students Eligibility Video – CESBA

[CESBA YouTube Video - PLAR Mature Student Eligibility](#)

An overview of eligibility requirements for PLAR (Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition) for Mature Students, updated for the revised PPM 132 in 2022.

Maturity Credits vs. PLAR Video – CESBA

[CESBA YouTube Video Comparing Maturity Credits vs. PLAR for updated PPM 132](#)

Revised to include September 2023 PPM 132 updates

PLAR for Mature Students promotional video: Where your life experiences count

Produced by Clulow & Associates for CESBA, 2016.

[CESBA YouTube PLAR Promotional Video for Ontario Mature Students](#)

FULL SCRIPT:

- Is your incomplete high school education holding you back?
- You're closer to graduating than you think!
- Your school board has the power to grant secondary school credits for learning and skills you have acquired at home, at work, in training programs, and volunteer work.
- You can get your Ontario Secondary School Diploma in as little as six months.
- Contact your local school board and ask about PLAR for Mature Students. We'll help you map out your unique path to high school graduation, and beyond.
- PLAR for Mature Students - Where your life experiences count. Visit our website at www.cesba.com

PLAR for Mature Students promotional video 2017 - New to Ontario

[CESBA YouTube PLAR Promotional Video for New Arrivals to Ontario](#)

This promotional video is intended for prospective learners from outside of Ontario who may be eligible for PLAR.

FULL SCRIPT:

- Are you new to Ontario? Do you need an Ontario high school diploma for employment or higher education?
- Your school board has the power to grant high school credits for learning and skills you have acquired outside of Ontario and Canada; at home, at work, in training programs, and volunteer work.
- You can get your Ontario Secondary School Diploma in as little as six months, at no cost! Contact your local school board and ask about PLAR for Mature Students. We'll help you map out your unique path to a high school diploma, and beyond.
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