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Common Grade 12 Questions Answered:

Q: I want to check my credit count.

A: Go to My Pass and create an account, here you will be able to see your most up to date Credit count on your Detailed Academic Report (Unofficial transcript)

Instructions for setting up a MyPass Account are here: http://whcroxford.rockyview.ab.ca/Members/pmorck/my-pass-instructions/at_download/file

Graduation Requirements can be checked here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Hu-J4_sHjFw

Q: I need my high school transcripts for post-secondary institution or scholarships.

A: Most times a transcript is requested; it needs to come directly from Alberta Education as an Official Transcript. Students can order these through their Alberta Education My Pass account. They cost \$10 each and will be sent directly to the Out of Province institution or the Scholarship organization.

Alberta post-secondary institutions will not require an Official Transcript as they can automatically pull your transcript directly from Alberta Education. They may ask for an unofficial transcript which you can pull from My Pass for free as your Detailed Academic Report.

Q: How do I apply for post-secondary institutions?

A: In Alberta, students will apply online using Apply Alberta website. <https://www.applyalberta.ca/> You will set up a profile there and fill out all sections. And on the last page of this site, you will select your institution and this will take you to their site to complete your application. Be prepared with a credit card to pay application fees.

Outside of Alberta, you will need to do your application following instructions from your institution. Other provinces have similar websites to Apply Alberta, you will need to check with your institution for application information.

Q: On Apply Alberta, it asks for my grade 12 marks, how can I fill that out when I have not finished grade 12?

A: Here, they are asking you to make an educated estimate of what you believe your final marks will be. You will base this estimate on your past performance, as well as how you feel you will realistically do in this course. The key is to be realistic, students are offered conditional acceptance based on these grades, but if they are not realistic, you may have your acceptance withdrawn once final marks are published.

Q: When should I be applying for school if I want to attend next Fall?

A: Most post-secondary institutions open up their applications in the Fall the previous year. For example, if you hope to attend right after grade 12, you should be looking to apply in the Fall of grade 12. Check your preferred institution's application dates. It will be important that you get your applications in early as students have a better chance of being accepted if they are in the early admission pool.

Q: How do I know if I have the right courses or marks to get into a specific program?

A: All post-secondary institutions publish the information about entrance requirements on their websites. This is the best place to look for up to date program specific information. This information does change from time to time, so continue to monitor program entrance requirements. A grade 12 student should always strive for their highest potential marks in their grade 12 courses. Minimum entrance requirements are usually posted on web site, but it is important to understand that those are minimums, and the institutions usually take the students with the higher marks first. Students who are close to minimum requirements may not be offered a seat in the program, due to high numbers of applications competing for the same spot.

You can also check many programs coast to coast on www.myblueprint.ca All Students have an account with MyBlueprint.

Q: I definitely need scholarships; how do I get them?

A: Number one piece of advice, create a NEW email address for your scholarships. This way you will keep all scholarship information in one spot.

There are many scholarships available in a variety of places. A couple of places to start are:

1. Does your post-secondary institution offer entrance scholarships?
2. Do you qualify for Rutherford? <https://studentaid.alberta.ca/media/54471/alexander-rutherford-2015-course-requirements.pdf>
3. Check the School website for scholarships that we offer?
<http://whcroxford.rockyview.ab.ca/students/graduation/students/scholarships>
Make sure to apply when those applications open!
4. Create a profile at www.scholarshipscanada.com This is a website that offers over 80, 000 scholarships that might match your criteria!

Q: I will need a student loan; how do I do this?

A: There is a lot of great information on the Alberta Financial Aid Website <https://studentaid.alberta.ca/before-you-apply/>

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Q: Do I qualify for Alexander Rutherford Scholarships? How do I access them?

A: <https://studentaid.alberta.ca/scholarships/applications-forms/>

These applications don't open until the spring prior to attending post-secondary. Applicants have to have been ACCEPTED into a program at post-secondary prior to applying. This money is available for years after graduation, if you earned it, it is yours! You just have to submit an application to get it.

Q: Will Alberta Education mail me my diploma marks after I have completed the exams?

A: No, Alberta Education expects that all grade 12 students will have access to their diploma exam results through MyPass. Having this account will be very important as you navigate through high school and into your adult life. Once diploma exams are marked, students can see their up to date marks on MyPass approximately 3-4 weeks after diploma exam is written.

Q: Is it really important that I get a MyPass Account?

A: My Pass is a Government of Alberta Education Portal that all Alberta students should have access to.

- View Diploma exam results
- See up to date transcripts
- Order transcripts
- View Progress towards diploma
- Enroll for diploma exam re-writes

Q: When can I expect to get my high school diploma?

A: High School Diplomas are issues by Alberta Education and they come in the mail after all graduation requirements are met and diploma exams are marked. For example if a student finishes in June, they can expect to get their Official high School Diploma in the mail in August. It is very important that ALL students check their address with Alberta Education on MyPass, changes to this address can be made directly on MyPass.

Q: How can I get more information?

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