

## THE STRUCTURE OF THE BASIC EDUCATION (PRE-PRIMARY TO GRADE 12)

### Primary Education

Level	Subjects
Pre-Primary (age 5/6)	Pre-primary education lays a solid foundation for learning throughout the formal education system. Pre-primary education focuses on the following learning areas: Language, Preparatory Mathematics, Environmental Learning, Arts, Physical Development and Religious and Moral Education.
Junior Primary (Grade 1 to 3)	Mathematics, English, a local language (Afrikaans, German, Khoekhoegowab, Namibian Sign Language, Otjiherero, Oshikwanyama, Oshindonga, Rumanyo, !Juhoansi, Thimbukushu, Rukwangali, Setswana, Silozi), Environmental Studies, Arts, Physical Education, Religious and Moral Education, <a href="#">Reading Period</a>
Senior Primary (Grade 4 to 7)  Grade 4	<p><b>Promotional subjects:</b> Mathematics, English, a local language (Afrikaans, German, Khoekhoegowab, Namibian Sign Language, Otjiherero, Oshikwanyama, Oshindonga, Rumanyo, !Juhoansi, Thimbukushu, Rukwangali, Setswana, Silozi) or a language of wider communication, Natural Science and Health Education, Social Studies.</p> <p><b>Support subjects:</b> Life Skills, Religious and Moral Education, Arts, <a href="#">Information and Communication</a>, Physical Education, <a href="#">Reading Period</a></p> <p>Learners take <b>five</b> promotional subjects and <b>five</b> support subjects.</p>
Grade 5 to 7	<p><b>Compulsory promotional subjects:</b> Mathematics, English, a local language (Afrikaans, German, Khoekhoegowab, Namibian Sign Language, Otjiherero, Oshikwanyama, Oshindonga, Rumanyo, Thimbukushu, Rukwangali, Setswana, Silozi) or a language of wider communication, Natural Science and Health Education, Social Studies.</p> <p><b>Elective promotional pre-vocational subjects</b> (with entrepreneurial skills integrated): Design and Technology, Elementary Agriculture and Home Ecology.</p> <p>Learners take <b>one</b> of the pre-vocational subjects, but schools may offer more than one subject.</p> <p><b>Support Subjects:</b> Life Skills, Religious and Moral Education, Arts, <a href="#">Information and Communication</a>, Physical Education, <a href="#">Reading Period</a></p> <p>Learners take <b>five</b> compulsory promotional subjects, <b>one</b> elective promotional pre-vocational subject and <b>five</b> support subjects.</p>

## Secondary Education

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Junior Secondary (Grade 8 and 9)	<p><b>Compulsory promotional subjects (7):</b> English (First or Second), Mathematics, Life Science, Physical Science, Geography, History and another language.</p> <p><b>Elective promotional subjects (2):</b> Learners take either two of the elective pre-vocational subjects or one elective pre-vocational subject and a third language (first, second or foreign). A learner may not take more than three languages.</p> <p><i>Pre-vocational subjects:</i> Agricultural Science, Computer Studies, Design and Technology, Accounting, Office Practice, Entrepreneurship, Visual Art, Integrated Performing Arts, Home Economics, Fashion and Fabrics, <a href="#">Hospitality</a>, <a href="#">Technical Drawing</a> and <a href="#">Technical Studies A, B and C</a>.</p> <p><i>Another language:</i> Any First, Second or Foreign language</p>							
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Senior Secondary Namibia Senior Secondary Certificate Ordinary (NSSCO) Level (Grade 10 and 11)	<p><b>Compulsory promotional subjects:</b> Mathematics, English and another language</p> <p><b>Elective subjects:</b> Accounting, Agricultural Science, Art and Design, <a href="#">Integrated Performing Arts</a>, Biology, Business Studies, <a href="#">Physics</a>, <a href="#">Chemistry</a>, Computer Studies, Design and Technology, Development Studies, Economics, Entrepreneurship, <a href="#">Health and Social Care</a><sup>1</sup>, Fashion and Fabrics, Geography, History, Home Economics, Office Practice, <a href="#">Hospitality</a>, <a href="#">Woodwork</a>, <a href="#">Building Studies</a>, <a href="#">Metalwork and Welding</a> and <a href="#">Motor Mechanics</a></p>							
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<sup>1</sup> Health and Social Care subject will not be implemented in 2019.

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<p><b>Support Subjects:</b> Life Skills, Arts, Information and Communication, Physical Education, Reading Period</p> <p>Learners take <b>two</b> compulsory promotional subjects, <b>another language</b>, <b>two</b> subjects from a field of study, <b>one</b> subject from the list of supplementary subjects plus <b>four</b> support subjects.</p> <p>A learner may (with special permission) take a one language curriculum.</p> <p><a href="#">Namibia Senior Secondary Certificate Ordinary (NSSCO) Level National Examinations</a></p>				

<b>Namibia Senior Secondary Advanced Subsidiary (NSSCAS) Level (Grade 12)</b>	<b>Elective subjects:</b> Biology, Geography, History, Computer Science, Mathematics, Business Studies, Design and Technology, Accounting, Economics, Art and Design, Agricultural Science, Chemistry, Physics, Entrepreneurship		
	Languages		
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<b>Support Subjects:</b> Information and Communication, Life Skills  Learners, who meet the entry requirements to Grade 12, will take <b>three to five</b> elective subjects from the subjects they pass on Ordinary Level. One of these subjects must be a language.  Namibia Senior Secondary Certificate Advanced Subsidiary (NSSCAS) Level National Examinations			