

## Department of Education Requirements in Government Schools

Curriculum programs must enable assessment and reporting of individual student progress against domains of the Victorian Essential Learning Standards (VELS).

Planning should take note of the knowledge, skills and behaviours described in the VELS, and school council responsibilities include the implementation of any guidelines and directions issued by the Minister.

Curriculum planning needs to incorporate the requirements for the satisfactory completion of the Victorian Certificate of Education (VCE) including VET in Schools, and the Victorian Certificate of Applied Learning (VCAL).

Planning must include the requirements for the provision of physical and sport education:

- 20-30 minutes per day of physical education for students in Prep–Year 3
- three hours per week of physical education and sport, with a minimum provision of 50 per cent of physical education for students in Years 4–6
- a minimum of 100 minutes each week of physical education and a minimum of 100 minutes each week of timetabled sport for students in Years 7–10 .

It also must take into account recommendations of daily two-hour literacy and one-hour numeracy blocks for students in the early years of schooling (Prep–Year 4). The recommendation of a minimum of 150 minutes of contact time per week for the teaching of languages other than English, and the provision of appropriate drug education prevention and intervention programs was also be taken into account.