

Task Title: Comparing CAEC and OSSD

# OALCF Cover Sheet – Practitioner Copy

**Learner Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Date Started: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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| **Goal Path:** | Employment | Apprenticeship |
| Secondary School | Post Secondary | Independence |

**Successful Completion:**  Yes No

**Task Description:** The learner will review differences between the Canadian Adult Education Credential (CAEC) and Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD).

**Main Competency/Task Group/Level Indicator:**

* Find and Use Information/Read continuous text/A1.2
* Use Digital Technology/D.1

**Materials Required:**

* Pen/pencil and paper
* Computer or digital device

# Learner Information

Working towards your goals may require completing the Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) or Canadian Adult Education Credential (CAEC). Both are available to Ontario residents. Choosing to pursue one or the other may depend on your educational background and employment goals.

Go to the <https://www.ilc.org/pages/ossd-vs-caec> website and scan “CAEC vs OSSD: Which is right for me?”

# Work Sheet

**Task 1: What is the minimum age you must be, and the length of time you must be out of school, before you can register to write the CAEC test?**

Answer:

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**Task 2: If you are under 18, what are your options for getting your Grade 12?**

Answer:

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**Task 3: What is the time commitment required for the CAEC compared to the OSSD?**

Answer:

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**Task 4: What is the difference between the CAEC and OSSD when applying for post-secondary studies or entering the workforce?**

Answer:

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**Task 5: List the email addresses you could use to ask questions about the CAEC or OSSD.**

Answer:

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# Answers

**Task 1: What is the minimum age you must be, and the length of time you must be out of school, before you can register to write the CAEC test?**

Answer: 18 years, one year out of school

**Task 2: If you are under 18, what are your options for getting your Grade 12?**

Answer:If you are under 18 years of age, you cannot register for the CAEC but may continue working towards the OSSD at a high school or online through ILC.

**Task 3: What is the time commitment required for the CAEC compared to the OSSD?**

Answer: The CAEC is a 7.5-hour test that most candidates take 1 year to prepare for. The OSSD typically takes 4 years for completion of all credits required for graduation.

**Task 4: What is the difference between the CAEC and OSSD when applying for post-secondary studies or entering the workforce.**

Answer: With the CAEC, you will be able to apply directly to a workplace. With an OSSD, you will be able to apply to a university or college, or apprenticeship program, or apply directly to a workplace.

**Task 5: List the email addresses you could use to ask questions about the CAEC or OSSD.**

Answer:

CAEC: [caec@tvo.org](mailto:caec@tvo.org) OSSD: [ilc@tvo.org](mailto:ilc@tvo.org)

# Performance Descriptors

| Levels | Performance Descriptors | Needs Work | Completes task with support from practitioner | Completes task independently |
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| A1.2 | Makes connections between sentences and between paragraphs in a single text |  |  |  |
|  | Scans text to locate information |  |  |  |
|  | Locates multiple pieces of information in simple texts |  |  |  |
|  | Reads more complex texts to locate a single piece of information |  |  |  |
|  | Makes low-level inferences |  |  |  |
|  | Obtains information from detailed reading |  |  |  |
| D.1 | Follows simple prompts |  |  |  |
|  | Follows apparent steps to complete tasks |  |  |  |
|  | Interprets brief text and icons |  |  |  |

This task: Was successfully completed Needs to be tried again

Learner Comments:

Instructor (print): Learner (print):

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