

English information on the bilingual vwo profile choice in year 3

Dear parents/caretakers,

In the third year of bilingual vwo, our students choose a profile for the last three school years, because from the fourth year on, our vwo students will take fewer subjects than in the first three years. This goes for all vwo students in the Netherlands. We've put together this information letter for parents who do not speak the Dutch language, so they can understand what the profile choice is.

There are a few compulsory subjects for every student in the last three years of bilingual vwo. The following subjects are compulsory for our bilingual vwo students.

Gemeenschappelijke vakken		
□ Tweetalig atheneum	□ Tweetalig gymnasium	
Nederlands	Nederlands	
English	English	
Coachuur	Coachuur	
Big history	Big history	
CKV	Physical Education	
Physical Education	Social Studies	
Social Studies	Final Thesis	
Final Thesis		
	Verplichte keuze:	
Verplichte keuze:	□ Latijnse taal & cultuur of □ Griekse taal en cultuur	
□ Duits of □ Frans of □ Spaans		
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	□ Duits of □ Frans of □ Spaans	

As you can see there is a difference between atheneum and gymnasium (with Latin/Greek). Gymnasium students can choose to switch to atheneum (until the end of year 4), but atheneum students cannot switch to gymnasium.

Students can choose between four "profiles": Culture and Society (C&M), Economy and Society (E&M), Nature and Health (N&G) and Nature and Technology (N&T). The specific list of subjects per profile and a list of names of the school subjects can be found on the next page, including the English translation of the subjects.

Our bilingual students have some extra hours of English-taught subjects in the 4th year: history & geography in the C&M and E&M profiles and chemistry and biology in the N&G and N&T profiles. Every student in these profiles has those two subjects in English in the 4th year, no matter if they chose them or not. From the fifth year on, most subjects have completely switched to Dutch and these extra English-taught subjects will mostly stop by then.

For higher education (bachelor studies in hbo and university) after vwo, students sometimes require certain subjects if they want to apply for a particular bachelor study. Technical bachelors mostly require math B and/or physics and/or chemistry. Economic bachelors sometimes require economics or business economics. But this list is far from complete. The complete list of profile requirements for higher education can be found on https://www.studiekeuze123.nl/van-profiel-naar-studie (in Dutch).

Once the fourth year has started, our students cannot change or switch their profile or subject choices.

If you have questions regarding the profile choice, please contact contact mrs. Rademakers (career counselor bilingual havo & vwo and campus): Irademakers2@stedelijkcollege.nl



Profieldeel				
□ C&M	□ E&M	□ N&G	□ N&T	
Verplicht:	Verplicht:	Verplicht:	Verplicht:	
Geschiedenis/History	Economie	Biologie/Biology	Wiskunde B	
Aardrijkskunde/Geography	Geschiedenis/History	Scheikunde/Chemistry	Natuurkunde	
Tekenen	Geography		Scheikunde/Chemistry	
	□ Wiskunde A	□ Wiskunde A	Biology	
	OF	OF		
	□ Wiskunde B	□ Wiskunde B		
Verplichte keuze:	Verplichte keuze:	Verplichte keuze:	Verplichte keuze:	
□ Wiskunde C	□ Aardrijkskunde	□ Aardrijkskunde	□ Biologie	
OF	OF	OF	OF	
□ Wiskunde A	□ Bedrijfseconomie	□ Natuurkunde	□ Wiskunde D*	
Vrije deel – kies 1 vak:				
□ Bedrijfseconomie	□ Aardrijkskunde	□ Aardrijkskunde	□ Bedrijfseconomie	
□ Duits	□ Bedrijfseconomie	□ Bedrijfseconomie	□ Biologie	
□ Economie	□ Duits	□ Economie	□ Economie	
□ Frans	□ Frans	□ Tekenen	□ Tekenen	
□ Spaans	□ Spaans	□ Wiskunde D*	□ Wiskunde D*	
□ Chinees elementair**	□ Tekenen	□ Chinees elementair**	□ Chinees elementair**	
	☐ Chinees elementair**			

^{*} Math D can only be chosen if combined with math B.
** Chinese language can only be chosen as extra subject

School subject Dutch name	English translation
Nederlandse taal (en literatuur)	Dutch language (and literature)
Engelse taal	English language
Franse taal	French language
Spaanse taal (elementair)	Spanish language
Chinees elementair	Chinese language
Aardrijkskunde	Geography
Geschiedenis en staatsinrichting	History
Natuurkunde	Physics
Biologie	Biology
Scheikunde	Chemistry
Wiskunde (A / B / C / D)	Mathematics (A / B / C / D)
Economie	Economics
Bedrijfseconomie	Business economics
Tekenen	Visual arts