



Chile – Country Card Additional Information

Country and Demographic Data

There is no official entrance age for secondary education, but there is a maximum age of 16 years old ([Ministry of Education of Chile, 2024](#)).

Physical Education Policy

For grades 11 and 12 (grades "3º y 4º medio", in Chile) of secondary education, physical education is an optional subject.

The time allocation for physical education varies according to the regime and the language taught:

1. No full-day school regime and indigenous language not taught:

- Grades 1 to 4: 114 pedagogical hours*/year
- Grades 5 and 6: 76 pedagogical hours*/year

2. Full-day school regime and indigenous language taught:

- Grades 1 to 4: 76 pedagogical hours*/year
- Grades 5 and 6: 76 pedagogical hours*/year

3. No full-day school regime and indigenous language taught:

- Grades 1 to 4: 76 pedagogical hours*/year
- Grades 5 and 6: 76 pedagogical hours*/year

*1 pedagogical hours = 45 minutes

In grades 11 and 12, in the courses of Formación Diferenciada Humanístico-Científica and Diferenciada Artística, there are 76 hours to be split for religion, arts, history and health and physical education (no minimum time is specified for health and physical education).

Physical Education Surveillance

Until 2018, Chile had a “National Physical Education Study”, that consisted of physical fitness tests. In 2024, a commission met to retake these evaluations to give them a more pedagogical approach, including the assessment of motor competence. This monitoring system will be tested by the year 2025, with no confirmation of its application by the year 2026 or later.