Uddannelsesmuligheder efter folkeskolen



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from Bulgaria. I just finished primary school in Denmark and am now considering what my next step should be. I'm fluent in danish.

What educational path would you recommend for me?

Thank you for sharing a bit about your situation — it's actually great that you're thinking carefully about your next step. Since you've just finished primary school in Denmark (I assume you mean **9th or 10th grade, Folkeskolen**), let's look at some realistic options based on the Danish system and your background:

Gymnasiale uddannelser (Upper Secondary Education)

If you're interested in continuing general education and keeping your options open for university later, you can choose one of these:

• STX (Almen studentereksamen)

Broad academic program — good if you enjoy subjects like Danish, history, social science, languages, natural sciences.

• HHX (Højere handelseksamen)

Focus on business, economics, and languages — good if you're interested in business, trade, or management.

• HTX (Højere teknisk eksamen)

Focus on technology, natural sciences, IT — good if you like math, science, technology, or engineering.

• HF (Højere forberedelseseksamen)

A shorter, more practical upper secondary education (2 years) — good if you want something a bit more hands-on, but still keeping doors open for further education.

Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education and Training - EUD/EUX)

If you prefer more practical learning and maybe want to start working earlier:

• EUD (Erhvervsuddannelse)

Pure vocational training — for becoming e.g. a carpenter, electrician, chef, healthcare worker, mechanic, etc.

• EUX (Kombination af erhvervsuddannelse og gymnasial uddannelse)

A combination of vocational training and academic courses — gives you both a craft and a general qualification for further studies.

Other possibilities

• International Baccalaureate (IB)

If you like the idea of an international program in English (though you said you're fluent in Danish, this might give you an international edge given your Bulgarian roots too).

• Stay a year abroad / Exchange year

Some students take a year to study abroad or do a high school exchange, which can be an amazing experience if you're up for it.

A few things to ask yourself:

- Do I prefer academic or hands-on learning?
- Do I see myself going to university later?
- Do I have an early idea of a career (business, IT, healthcare, engineering, etc.)?
- Do I enjoy languages, sciences, economics, or more practical subjects?

My recommendation (if you're unsure):

- If you're pretty good in school and enjoy studying: **STX or HHX**.
- If you like more practical learning but still want future study options: **EUX**.
- If you're very sure you want to work with your hands or in a trade: **EUD**.

👉 If you want, you can tell me a bit more:

- What are your favorite subjects?
- Do you have any hobbies or interests?
- Do you already have some career ideas?

With a bit more info, I can give you a much more tailored recommendation.