

# Uddannelsesmuligheder efter folkeskolen



I'm a 16 year old person living in Denmark. I'm born in Denmark, but my parents are from The Republic of Korea. 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?

Thanks for sharing that — it's a great moment to think about your future path. Since you've just finished primary school in Denmark (9th or possibly 10th grade), you're at the stage where you choose between a few different **youth education programs (ungdomsuddannelser)**.

Here's a breakdown of your main options, and how to think about them:

## 1. Gymnasiale uddannelser (General Upper Secondary Education)

These are academically focused and prepare you for university.

#### Main types:

- **STX (Almen studentereksamen)** Broad academic program; ideal if you enjoy a variety of subjects like languages, humanities, sciences.
- HHX (Højere handelseksamen) Focus on business, economics, and international trade.
- HTX (Højere teknisk eksamen) Focus on science, technology, and innovation.
- **HF (Højere forberedelseseksamen)** 2-year general education, more flexible, good if you want a shorter academic path.

#### Recommended if:

- You're academically inclined.
- You're considering university later.
- You enjoy learning and are still exploring what you want to specialize in.

## 2. Erhvervsuddannelser (Vocational Education and Training, VET)

Combines school with paid work in a company. Leads to a profession (e.g., electrician, carpenter, social worker, hairdresser).

#### Recommended if:

- You prefer hands-on learning.
- You're eager to work and earn sooner.

• You have a specific trade or career in mind.

### **Personal Background Considerations**

Being fluent in Danish and having a Korean background can be a strength in many ways:

- If you're interested in **international business**, **diplomacy**, **or language**, HHX or STX (with language focus) could be good choices.
- If you're interested in **technology or engineering**, HTX gives a strong foundation.
- If you're drawn to **creative or hands-on work**, some VET programs or even creative schools (like design or multimedia-focused ones) might suit you.

## 👣 Suggested Steps

- 1. **Visit an educational counselor (UU-veileder)** They can help you with an individual plan.
- 2. Attend open house events at local gymnasiums and vocational schools.
- 3. Talk to your parents about your interests and future plans.
- 4. **Consider doing 10th grade (efterskole or normal)** if you're unsure it gives you time to mature and explore.

## My Recommendation (based on what you shared)

If you enjoy academic learning and are still exploring your interests, **STX or HHX** are great choices. They'll keep many doors open for university later, and your multilingual background can give you an edge — especially in international fields.

If you tell me more about what subjects you like or what kind of job you think you'd enjoy in the future, I can give you more tailored advice!