Uddannelsesmuligheder efter folkeskole



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

Excellent — you're in a very good position actually. You're young, fluent in Danish, bicultural (Danish-Estonian), and just finished primary school — that gives you a lot of flexibility. Let's walk through your main options, depending a bit on your interests and personality.

General Upper Secondary Education (Gymnasiet / STX)

Who it fits:

- If you enjoy a broad academic education (Danish, history, math, science, languages, etc.)
- If you're aiming for university later (humanities, social sciences, natural sciences, law, etc.)

Pros:

- Keeps your options open.
- Good preparation for most higher education programs.
- Recognized everywhere in Denmark (and EU).

Cons:

• Not very practical; more theory-heavy.

Technical Upper Secondary Education (HTX)

Who it fits:

- If you enjoy technology, science, IT, engineering.
- You like more practical, hands-on learning combined with theory.

Pros:

- Strong focus on STEM.
- Leads easily into engineering, IT, tech university programs.
- Practical labs and real-world problem solving.

Business Upper Secondary Education (HHX)

Who it fits:

• If you're interested in business, economics, marketing, management, finance.

Pros:

- Strong preparation for business careers or further business studies.
- Many international options.
- Estonia-Denmark connection can be very valuable in business.

Vocational Education (EUD / EUX)

Who it fits:

- If you prefer to get work experience faster.
- Interested in skilled trades, crafts, healthcare, hospitality, or IT support roles.

EUX option: combines vocational training with academic courses, so you still qualify for university if you want later.

Pros:

- You enter the job market earlier.
- Less theory, more practical.
- High demand for skilled workers in Denmark.

[5] International Baccalaureate (IB)

Who it fits:

- If you're considering an international career.
- You enjoy studying in English.
- You're a strong academic student.

Pros:

- Globally recognized diploma.
- Opens doors internationally.
- Good preparation for foreign or Danish universities.

Cons:

- Harder than STX for some.
- Smaller classes, more pressure.

BONUS: Take advantage of your Estonian background



- Learning Estonian well (if you don't already) can open job opportunities between Denmark and Estonia in diplomacy, business, tech, EU institutions, or translation.
- Baltic-Nordic cooperation is quite active.

- Do you prefer practical or theoretical work?
- Any subjects you especially enjoy?
- Do you want to go to university later?
- Any career dreams (even very vague)?

...then I can give you a much more tailored recommendation. Shall we?