

QTSS Secondary 3 Parent Engagement Session

21 January 2022

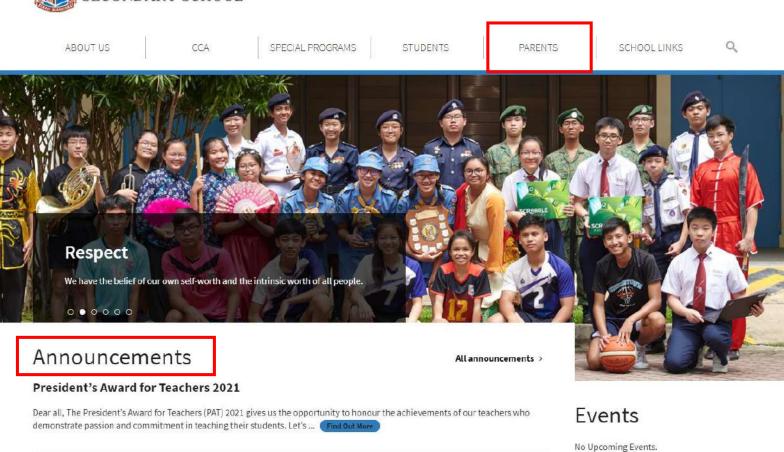
5:30pm - 7:00 pm



Programme Outline

Time	Activities	
5:30pm	Welcome address by Principal, Mr Sim How Chong	
5:35pm	Sharing by Vice-Principal, Mr Eric Chua	
5:55pm	Sharing by Year Head, Ms Kang Poh Geok and	
	HOD/CCE, Mr Tan Chee Tiong	
6:30pm	Interaction with Class Mentors	
7.00pm	End of Programme	

Slides shared during the webinar will be made available on school website on the next day.



Secondary 1 Parent Engagement Zoom Session



Welcome address by our Principal



Mr Sim How Chong



Sharing by our Vice-Principal



Mr Eric Chua



School Vision

Leaders for tomorrow, anchored in values, committed to serve.

Values

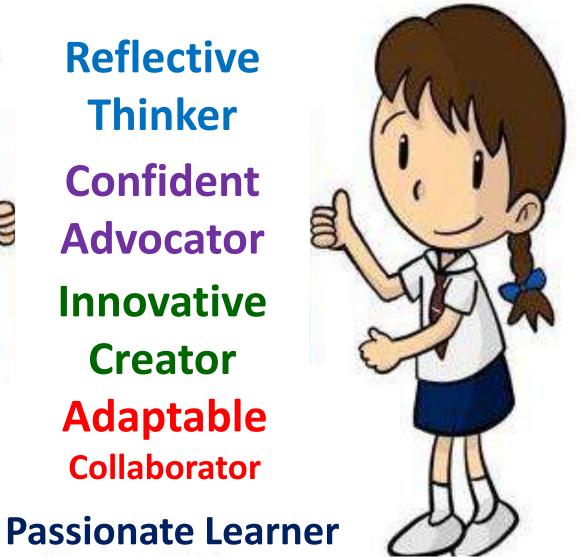
Respect. Resilience. Integrity. Service. Excellence

Student Outcomes





Reflective **Thinker Confident Advocator Innovative Creator** Adaptable **Collaborator**





Journey Thus Far

 Full Subject-Based Banding (FSBB) National Digital Literacy Programme (NDLP) •COVID-19

Supporting the Transition From Sec 2 to 3



Enhance Start Right Programme

- Friendships & Relationship Building
- Cultivate a sense of belonging to new class
- Deepen Teacher-Student Relationships
- Establish a stronger Queenstownian identity
- Enable personal discovery and growth







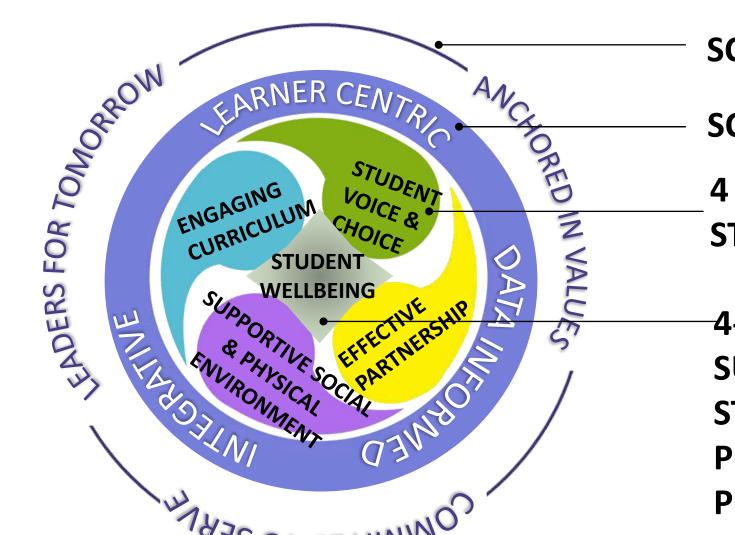
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CHALLENGES	DESIRED OUTCOMES
 New class, new friendships 	 Leverage social emotional competencies in maintaining existing friendships and building new ones
 Increase in academic rigor of subjects 	 Develop the right learning attitude, good study habits and routines
 Opportunities to serve as student leaders (Class, CCA, CYL, NYAA) 	 Develops the heart and will to lead and serve at home, in school and the community
 Increased expectations of being self- directed 	 A passionate learner who is a self-directed and manages multiple roles and expectations effectively
 Face multiple demands on his/her time and multiple expectations from different areas 	 Be able to prioritise tasks, practice self-discipline and good time-management. Be resilience, adopts a Growth Mindset and able to handle stress.
 Discover strengths and passion, and explore possible career options 	 A reflective thinker who works hard to achieve his/her dream, supported by parents and school.

QTSS Student Well-being Framework





SCHOOL VISION

SCHOOL APPROACH

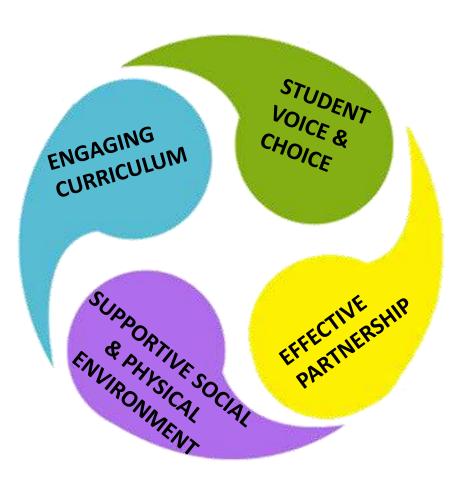
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4-FACE TIERED
SUPPORT
STRUCTURE OF
PROGRAMME
PROVISION

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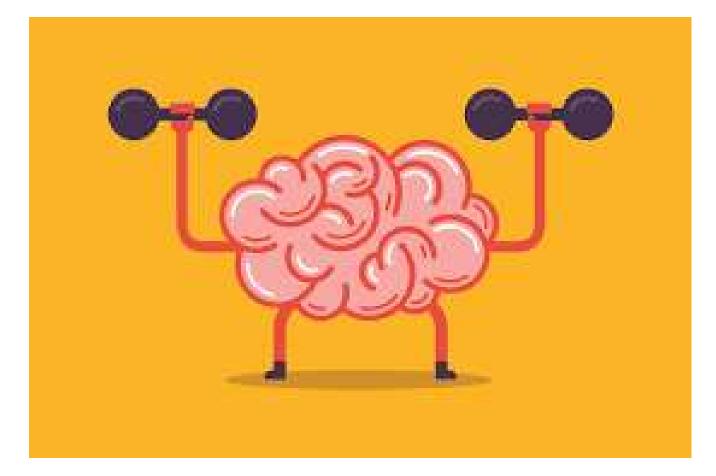
QTSS Student Well-being Framework





DOMAINS:

- Effective partnership:
 - Support from parents to enhance student presence, engagement and achievement in school
 - Leveraging on industrial, community partners and alumni to provide learning opportunities for students







Flip the Self-Talk (Positive Self-Talk)



Instead of

- I'm not good at this.
- I give up.
- It's not good enough.
- I can't make this better.
- This is too hard.
- My mistake is terrible.
- I just can't do this.
- I'll never be that smart.
- Things just don't work out.
- My friends are always better than me.



Try Thinking

- What am I missing?
- I'll use a different strategy.
- Is this really my best work?
- I can always improve.
- This may take some time.
- Mistakes help me to learn.
- I am going to train my brain.
- I will learn how to do this.
- There's always Plan B.
- I will learn from my friends.

How to encourage your child with a Growth Mindset



Not this

"You are so smart!"

"It's okay. Maybe you're just not cut out for this!"

"That's right! You did that so quickly and easily; great job!"

"That's not right. Are you paying attention in class? It seems like you're not even trying".

"That was really hard. I'm so glad it's over and you don't have to do that again."

Say This

"I can see you worked so hard on this!"

"It seems like it's time to try a new strategy."

"It looks like that was too easy for you. Let's find you something challenging so your brain can grow."

"That's not right. You don't understand this yet. What strategies can you try to understand this better?"

That was really hard. Your effort has paid off! Next time you'll be ready for this kind of challenge!"

What parents can do to support your child?



- P rioritise time for our child
- A ttentive to signs of stress
- R emind about goals and self-revision
- E ncourage our child to practice Growth Mindset
- urture his/her interests & holistic development
- alk to our child about his/her passion, interests and school
- Suspend judgement and see from child's perspective

Home-School Partnership

Phone Calls & Emails School Web Portal

Termly Parents Letters

Parent Gateway Parents
Engagement
(PES & PTM)

Mobile (Attendance) Social Media Facebook Instagram





Q Search



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Follow

836 posts

1,814 followers

Queenstown Secondary School
Official Instagram account of QTSS.
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www.queenstownsec.moe.edu.sg

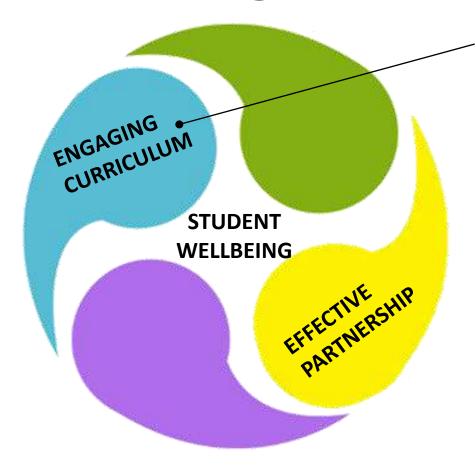


Holistic Development of every Queenstownian

Sharing by Ms Kang, Year Head and Mr Tan, HOD/CCE

Nurturing our students holistically





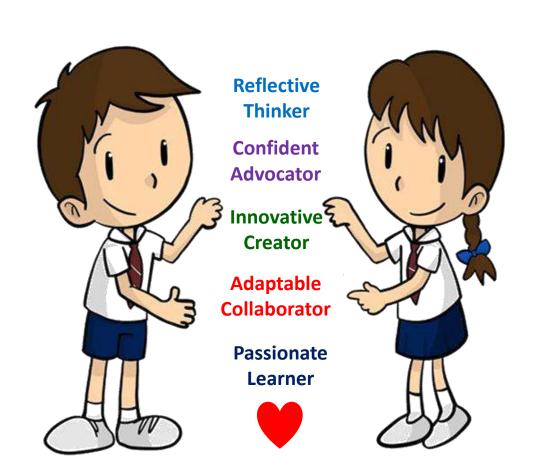
DOMAINS:

- Engaging curriculum
 - Develop knowledge, values and competencies in students
 - In alignment to school's VMV



Level outcomes for Secondary 3

- Live out the Queenstownian identity to be
 'Confident Advocators'
 - Be sensitive to the needs of people beyond the school community
 - Lead others to be active contributors of the society.
- Further sharpen critical and inventive
 thinking skills to be 'Innovative Creators'
 - Adept at problem solving and making decisions that are logical.



Engaging curriculum - Academic expectation

National
exams in
2023,
Beginning in
May/Jun,
Sep/Oct

Application for Postsecondary education Dec 2023 / Jan 2024

Transition from Sec 2 to 3

Weighted assessments (WA) in Terms 1, 2 and 3

No mid-year examinations

End-of-year examination 28 – 30 Sep, 3 -7 Oct

Students have started a 1.5 years course in preparation for the GCE N- or O-Level Examination

- Increase in academic rigor of subjects
- Increased expectations of being self-directed
- Face multiple demands on his/her time and multiple expectations from different areas





Level /	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
Assessment Weighting	Weighted assessment	Weighted assessment	Weighted assessment	End-of-Year examination
Sec 3	10%	15%	15%	60%

Academic expectation – Promotion criteria



Level/Course	Criteria for promotion	Pass
3/Express	Grade 6 or better in EL and 2 other subjects	Promoted to 4Exp
	Failed EL but obtained Grade 6 or better in 5 subjects	Advanced to 4Exp
3/Normal	Grade 5 or better in	Promoted to
(Academic)	a. EL and 2 other subjects OR	4N(A)
	b. 4 subjects	
3/Normal	Grade 5 or better in 2 subjects, one of which should	Promoted to
(Technical)	be EL or Math	4N(T)



What are the various Post-Secondary School options available?

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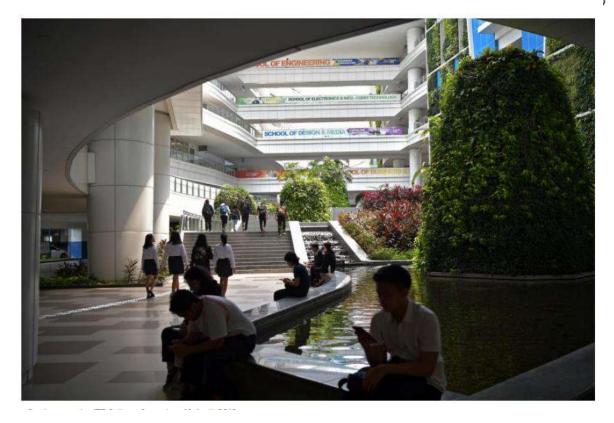
Better job prospects and pay for fresh polytechnic graduates last year



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92.2 % of Polytechnic graduates found jobs within 6 months of graduation in 2021.

ITE graduates to get more opportunities to attain diplomas



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More work-study diplomas offered



LEAPS 2.0

 As a recognition of the holistic development of Secondary School students

4 domains with levels of attainment

Leadership

Enrichment

Achievement

Participation

Service

 Can be converted to bonus points to be used for admission to JC / Polytechnics / Institute of Technical Education



Levels of Co-Curricular Attainment

- Excellent
 - Attained minimally a Level 4 and three Level 3s in all four domains.
 - 2 bonus points
- Good
 - Attained minimally a Level 2 in all four domains
 - 1 bonus point
- Fair
 - Did not managed to satisfy the criteria for "Good"
 - No bonus points
- Enhances the post-secondary options of Queenstownians together with their academic achievement[^].

[^] Student must first be eligible for the Institute of Higher Learning (IHL) before consideration of bonus points.

Engaging curriculum - Key programmes for Secondary 3



MOE-OBS CHALLENGE PROGRAMME

(Queenstown Secondary School)



Content

- What is the 2022 MOE-OBS Challenge Programme?
- What is the OBS course about?
- How does OBS ensure my child's safety?
- How can I help to prepare my child?



What is the MOE-OBS Challenge Programme?

A Holistic Education

- Develop well-rounded individuals
- Outdoor Education (OE) provides rich learning experiences outside the classroom and helps our students to develop holistically, building up their resilience and ruggedness
- Authentic learning experiences help our students to develop 21st century competencies as well as competencies for sustainable, active and healthy living





What is the OBS Course about?

"In time to come, OBS will be a rite of passage and a shared experience for all young Singaporeans, regardless of race, religion, or background."

PM Lee Hsien Loong



What is the MOE-OBS Challenge Programme?

3 Components



Pre-course lessons and preparation



OBS 2-day course



Post-course lessons and reflections

Integrating the blue and green spaces on mainland Singapore

OBS Heads to Mainland Singapore - Lianhe Zaobao











Outdoor Classroom



Develop character and learn values and skills through doing and reflection

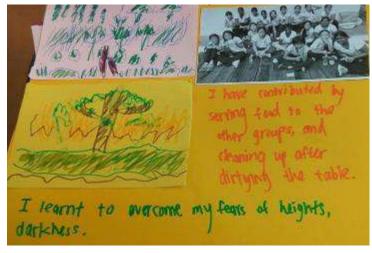


Classroom is the outdoors



Learning in the outdoors

Post-Course lessons and follow-up



Sample CCE Lesson Reflection Activity



Journaling



Post-course Lesson with Form Teacher



What are the safety measures?



OBS safety and operations





Pioneer in Singapore's outdoor adventure education delivering quality outdoor adventure programmes

 Professional practices in risk management and safety





Medical post manned by registered nurses

 Medical SOPs in consultation with OBS Medical Advisory Panel doctors

OBS safety and operations

People



Instructors

- Went through 6 8 months of training
- Manage a small group size of 12 14 students per Instructor
- Conduct daily, pre-activity and postactivity checks to ensure your child's well-being



Outdoor Nurse Practitioners

Full-time Outdoor Nurse
 Practitioners from various
 backgrounds i.e. Emergency
 Dept, Red Cross, ICU, etc.

OBS Safe Management Measures



OBS' COVID-19 screening measures and declaration



Participants will be grouped within the same class



All students to wear facial masks at all times and maintain safe distancing



Students to be at least 2m apart while performing strenuous activities without mask



Temperature-taking exercise



Enhanced personal and field hygiene practices



Staggered inprocessing of students



Stepped up site, facilities and equipment cleanliness and maintenance regime

Communication channel

Parents are to remain contactable during the 2-day course.







How can I help to prepare my child?

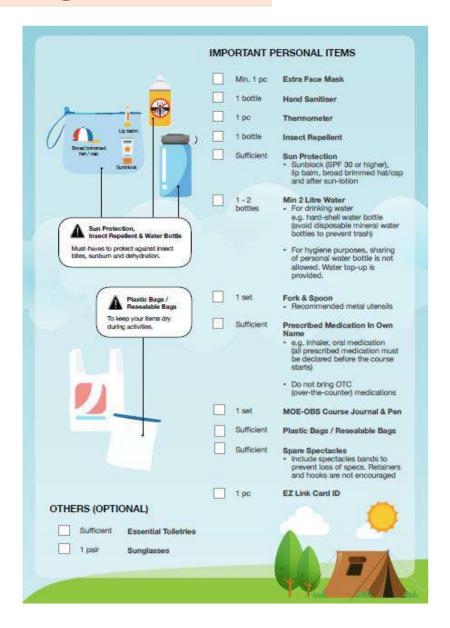
How can I help my child before course?

Note: Land and water activity items and equipment such as poncho, whistles, Personal Floatation Device (PFD) etc will be provided by OBS.

Students are encouraged to borrow from family/ friends/schoolmates instead of buying.

Packing List





Journey with my child

DOs

- Do listen to your child's concerns
- Do set goals with your child
- Do affirm your child's effort to make positive changes

DON'Ts

- Do not pack your child's bag for him/her
- Do not create anxiety with assumptions
- Do not frighten your child with "horror" stories

What advice can I give my child to help him/her have an enriching OBS course?



Participate actively

Immerse himself/herself in the experience and environment

Make responsible decisions



Be selfless, supportive and encourage his/her teammates



Queenstown Secondary School



OBS course dates:

To Be Advised

Teacher Co-ordinator:

Mr Koa Chee Meng

Email of Teacher Co-ordinator:

koa_chee_meng@moe.edu.sg



Personal Data Protection Act

- Photographs or video images of students, parents or guardians may be taken during school activities and events such as classroom lessons, CCA, school camps, or school concerts. The school may use and publish such photographs or video recordings in school publications, the school's website, social media channels, or other communication channels. Request for the exemption for these photographs or videos to be published must be made in writing to the school before the start of the academic year.
- The school may disclose students' personal information such as their name, class, NRIC, date of birth etc to approved school vendors for the purpose of conducting external enrichment & activities. Request for the exemption from these disclosure must be made in writing to the school before the start of the academic year.





Engaging curriculum - Community & Youth Leadership

A Distinctive QTSS Learning for life programme



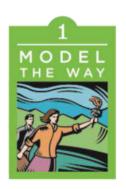


- Providing a Holistic Education
- Focus on the Values and skills inculcation
- Progressive build-up from
 - Sec 1 (Student-Planned)
 - Sec 2 (Student-Led)
 - Sec 3 (Student-Initiated)
 - Sec 4 (Student-Mentor)

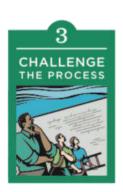


Focus for Secondary 3

- Class-based decision on identified cause
- Outcome:
 - A confident advocator initiating changes to the wider community
- Competencies in action:
 - Traffic Light Reflection
 - 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens
 - Kouzes & Posner Leadership Challenge Model

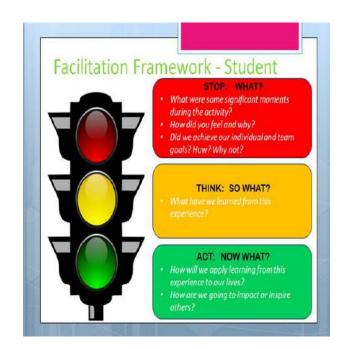














Focus for Secondary 3

- E.g.
 - Elderly (Lions Befrienders, Redhill Gardens RC, St.Andrews' Nursing Home)
 - Children with Disabilities (MINDS LGS)
 - Animals (SPCA, Mettacats & Dogs Sanctuary, Action for Singapore Dogs)
 - Environment (Sustainable Development)
 - National Issues (Cyberwellness, Food Waste, Racial Harmony Outreach)
 - Overseas Outreach (CYL-Overseas Service-Learning Programme)



Engaging curriculum - Community and Youth Leadership



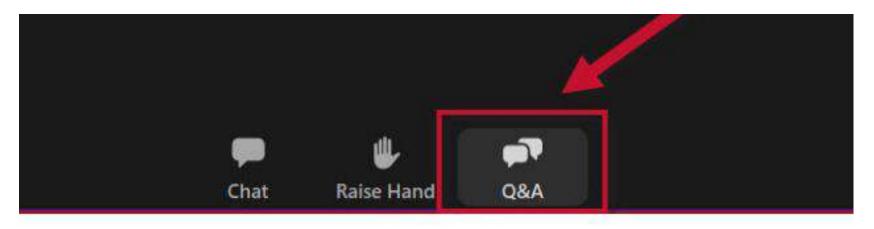
- NYAA (Silver)
 - Personal Mastery of Leadership
 - Outdoor Appreciation (24 hours with specific learning goal)
 - Healthy Lifestyle (32 hours over 12 months)
 - Service Learning (40 hours over 8 months)
 - Level 3 attainment for LEAPS 2.0 (Leadership)







Question & Answer





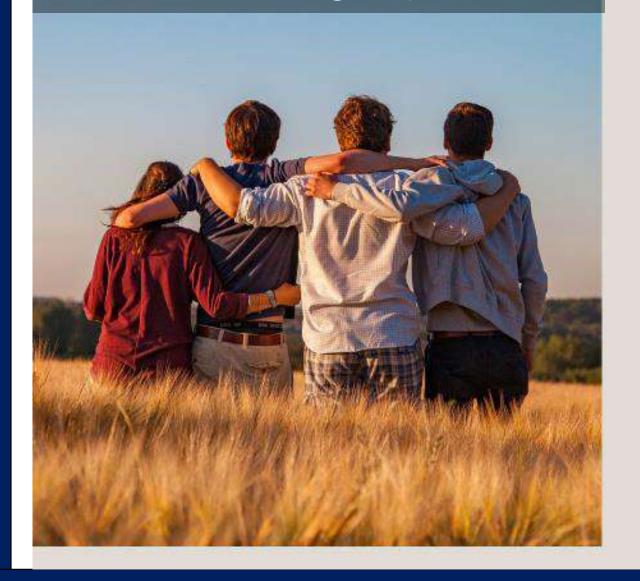
Bringing Family Life Education Closer to You





Mr Daniel Lim
Family Life Educator
daniel-lim@lakeside.org.sg

Please take of the seminar and sign up details.



SEMINAR SERIES

Positive Parenting Programme

22, 29 Apr and 6 May 2022 (Fri 8:00-9:00 pm)

Seminar 1 - Raising Responsible Teenagers

Seminar 2 - Raising Competent Teenagers

Seminar 3 - Getting Teenagers Connected

REGISTER HERE

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Interaction with Class Mentors



Post Secondary Education Pathways

Every student's journey is different and every journey is worthwhile



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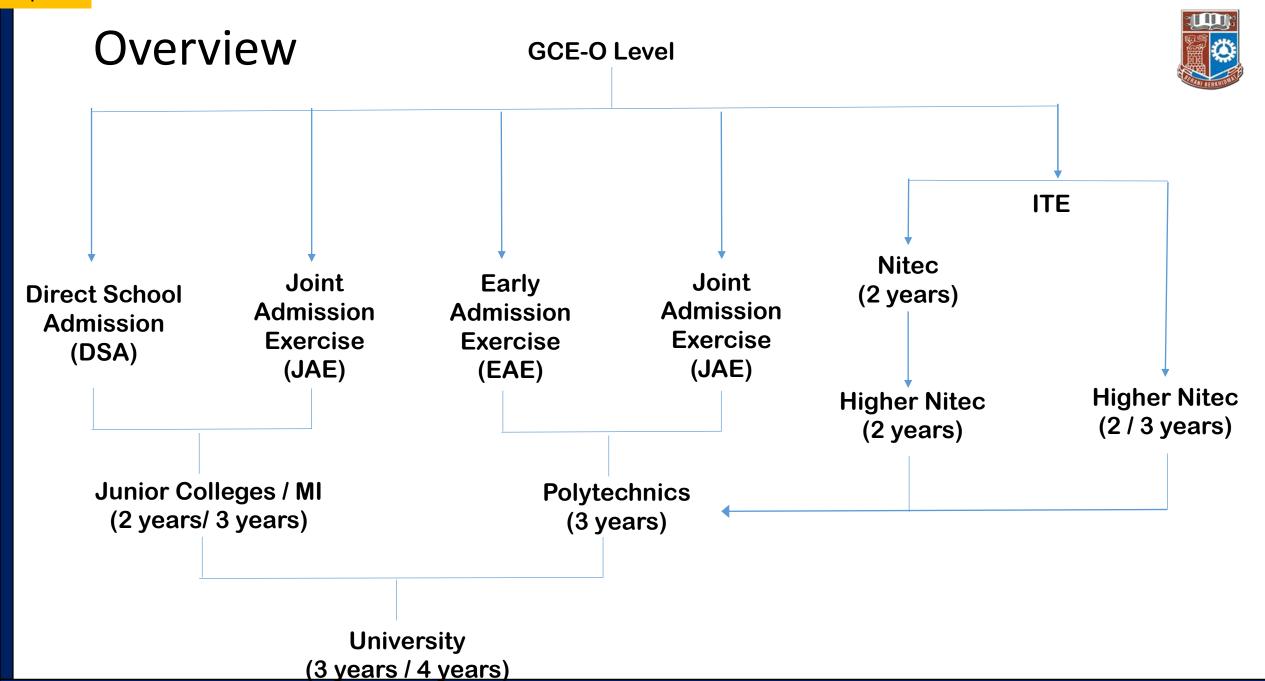


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Aggregate computation

- JC: L1R5 ≤ 20
- MI: L1R4 ≤ 20
- Polytechnic: ELR2B2 ≤ 26 except nursing ≤ 28
- ITE: ELB4, ELR1B3 or ELR2B2

Legend:

L1 = English or Higher Mother Tongue

R5 = 5 Relevant subjects

EL = English Language

B2 = 2 Best subjects

BONUS POINTS for computation of net aggregate score



1) CCA grades

'Excellent': 2 bonus points

'Good': 1 bonus point

(For admission to

JC/Poly/ITE)

4) Students who apply for and are accepted into

Chinese/Malay/Tamil LEP offered

in some JCs

2 points

2) Pass in English
AND Higher Mother
Tongue

3) Pass in Malay/Chinese (Special programme) or Bahasa Indonesia (BI) as 3rd Language

2 points for admission to **JC/MI courses**, **provided** these choices come **before** any Poly/ITE courses

Junior College / MI vs Polytechnic



Junior College / MI	Polytechnic	
Aggregate range for L1R5 / L1R4 ≤ 20	Aggregate range for ELR2B2 ≤ 26	
 Prepares students for the A-Level examinations at the end of the 2-year JC or 3-year MI course After completion of A-Level examination, depending on interests, strengths and learning goals, students may attend A university A polytechnic An art institute 	 Provides hands-on, practice-based learning experience Work attachments with industry partners Polytechnic graduates are workforce ready may be considered for admission to universities based on their diploma qualifications. 	

Eligibility for Junior College / MI



Aggregate range for L1R5 / L1R4 ≤ 20

What is L1R5 / L1R4?

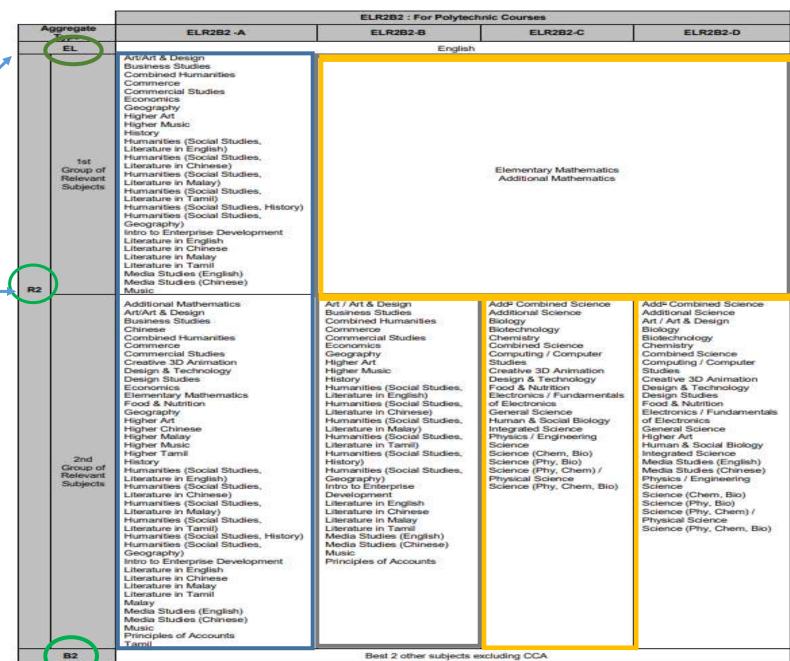
- L1 English or Higher Mother Tongue Language (MTL)
- R1 to R3 Humanities, Mathematics and/or Science
- R4 and R5 Any 2 GCE O-Level subjects

Express ELR2B2- B ELR2B2- C ELR2B2- D

Eligibility for Polytechnic

What is ELR2B2?

Students must also qualify for the minimum entry requirements for the course that they want to pursue



4 Broad Categories



ELR2B2-A

ELR2B2-B

ELR2B2- C

ELR2B2- D

	ELR282 : For Polytechnic Courses				
Aggregate	ELR2B2 -A	ELR2B2-B	ELR282-C	ELR2B2-D	
(EL)	Art/Art & Denion	English	Y		



ARTS & HUMANITIES

EG: ADVERTISING & PUBLIC RELATIONS, PSYCHOLOGY STUDIES



BUSINESS

EG: ACCOUNTANCY, BUSINESS STUDIES



SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

EG: BIOMEDICAL SCIENCE, ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING



DESIGN

EG: ANIMATION & 3D ARTS, PRODUCT DESIGN & INNOVATION

Direct School Admission (DSA-JC)



Why DSA-JC?

The DSA-JC is to provide students an opportunity to demonstrate a more diverse range of achievements and talents in seeking admission to a JC/Institution.

Who should apply?

Students with talents in Sports and Performing Arts and Sec 4 Mid-Year L1R5 ≤ 20

When is the application period?

June to July yearly (apply in graduating year)

How to apply?

Each JC has varied requirements e.g. selection and admission criteria, application procedure, details of auditions/trials and interviews.

Visit the participating DSA-JC school's websites to check their application dates, areas of focus, their selection criteria and selection processes.

Visit the JC virtual open-house to learn more.

Early Admission Exercise (EAE) - Polytechnic



Advantages of EAE

Confirmed place in Polytechnic prior to sitting for GCE O-Level examinations

(Note: Place is only secured if student passed interview and L1R4 ≤ 26 points. No change of course selected after the release of GCE O-Level result)

Who should apply?

Students who are interested in a specific diploma course in Polytechnic and have the aptitude for applied learning

Early Admission Exercise (EAE) - Polytechnic



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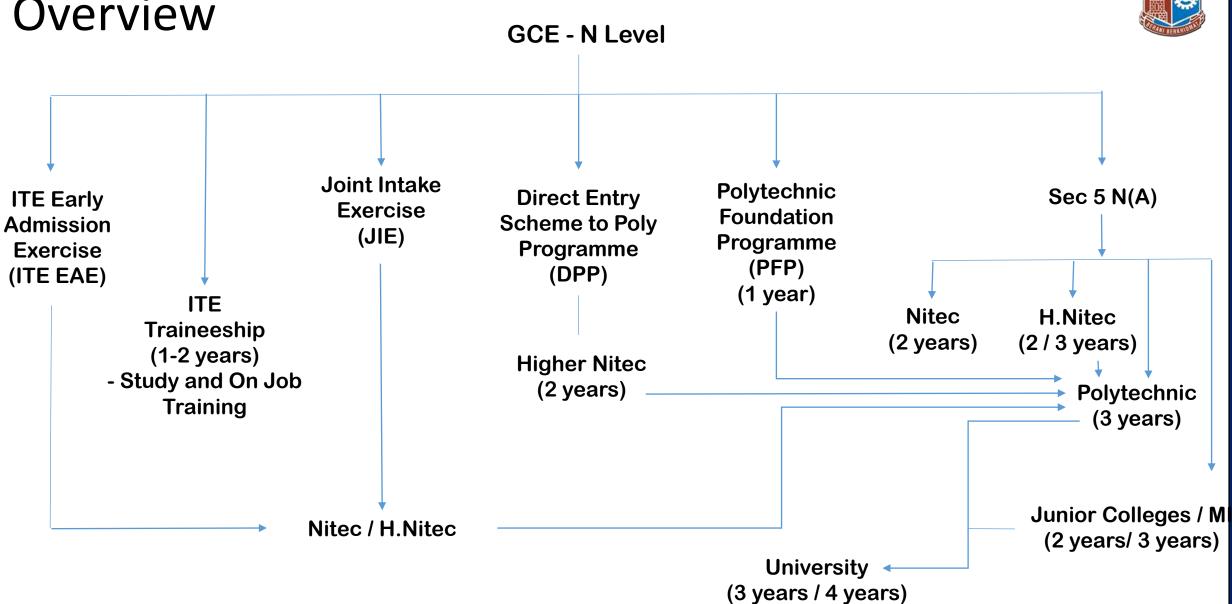
June yearly (apply in graduating year)

How to apply?

- Write-up on personal interests specific to diploma course and talents e.g. CCA achievement/ participation etc.
- Shortlisting for evaluation
- Evaluation is based on portfolio, interview or aptitude test



Overview



* Dependent on grades

Eligibility for Polytechnic Foundation Programme (PFP)

Who qualifies to apply for PFP?

- 10% of the Sec 4(A) cohort and wish to enter Polytechnic
- **ELMAB3** ≤ **12** (excluding CCA bonus points) AND
- Subject-specific requirements

Legend:

EL = English Language

MA = Mathematics

B3 = 3 Best subjects

How to apply?

 Eligible N(A) students will be invited to apply for the Polytechnic Diploma courses of their choice after the release of the 'O'-Level results

Note: Eligibility does not guarantee placement in the programme, subject to competition based on merit and the availability of places

Subject-specific requirements for PFP



For Courses featured in Group 1 e.g. Aeronautical engineering, Applied AI, Applied Chemistry, Biotechnology	Minimum Grades
English Language Syllabus A	3
Mathematics Syllabus A / Additional Mathematics	3
One of the following relevant subjects: - Design and Technology - Food and Nutrition - Science (Chemistry, Biology) - Science (Physics, Biology) - Science (Physics, Chemistry)	3
Any two other subjects excluding CCA	3

Subject-specific requirements for PFP



For Courses featured in Group 2 e.g. Accountancy, Business, Early Childhood Development & Education, Mass Communication	Minimum Grades
English Language Syllabus A	2
Mathematics Syllabus A / Additional Mathematics	3
One of the following relevant subjects: - Art - Geography - History - Humanities (Social Studies, Geography) - Humanities (Social Studies, History) - Literature in English - Principles of Accounts	3
Any two other subjects excluding CCA	3

Eligibility for ITE Direct-Entry-Scheme to Polytechnic Programme (DPP)



Who qualifies to apply for DPP?

- 4N(A) students who do well in GCE N-Level examination
- ELMAB3 ≤ 19 (excluding CCA bonus points) AND
- Subject-specific requirements

Legend:

EL = English Language

MA = Mathematics

B3 = 3 Best subjects

How to apply?

Eligible N(A) students may apply after the release of GCE N-level results

Note: Eligibility does not guarantee placement in the programme, subject to competition based on merit and the availability of places

Subject-specific requirements for DPP



For Higher Nitec DPP courses in applied sciences, engineering or info- communications technology course	Grade range
English Language Syllabus A	1 to 4
Mathematics Syllabus A / Additional Mathematics	1 to 4
3 other best subjects, excluding CCA	1 to 5 for each subject

• Students under the DPP can also assured of a place in a relevant polytechnic diploma course if they meet the qualifying Grade Point Average (GPA) requirements upon graduation from ITE.

Subject-specific requirements for DPP

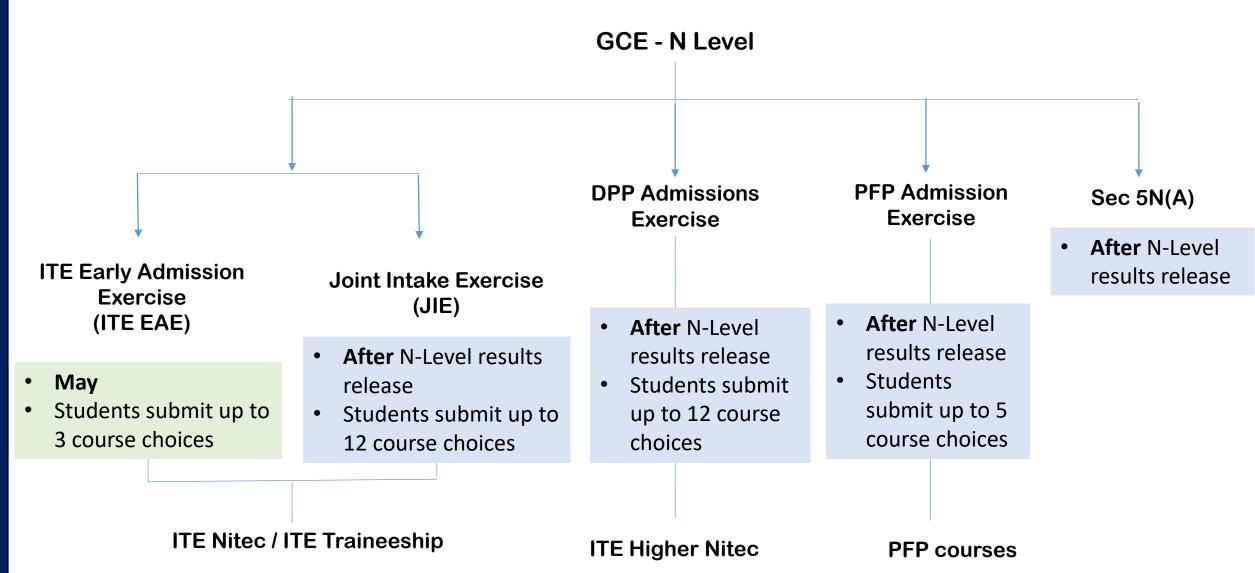


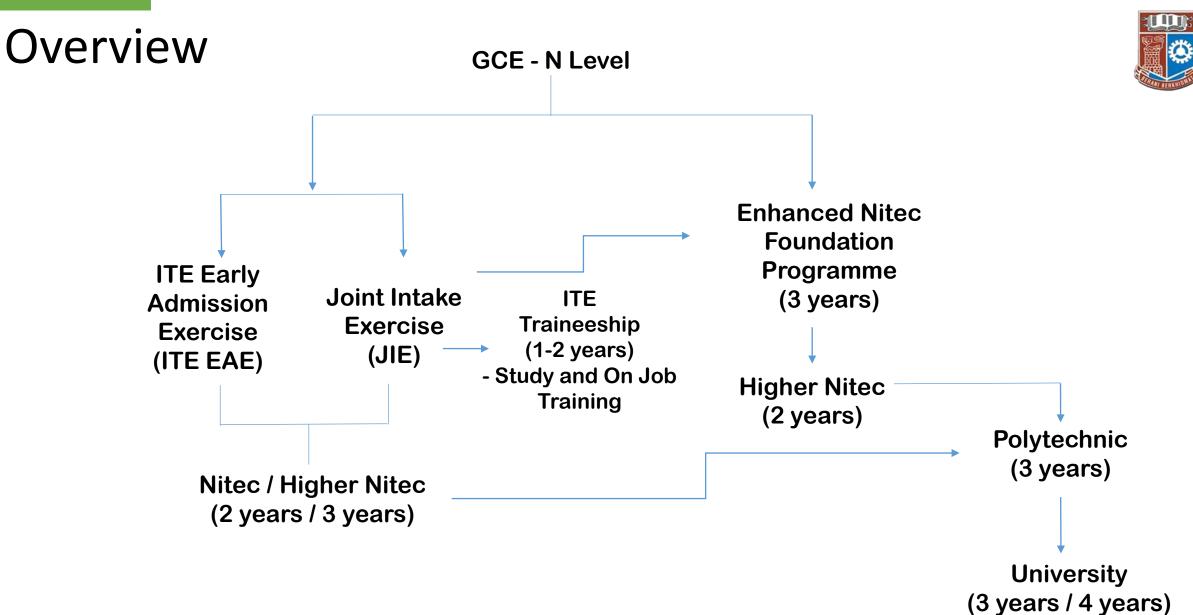
For Higher Nitec DPP courses in business & services or hospitality	Grade range
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Mathematics Syllabus A / Additional Mathematics	1 to 4
3 other best subjects, excluding CCA	1 to 5 for
	each subject

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Application Period

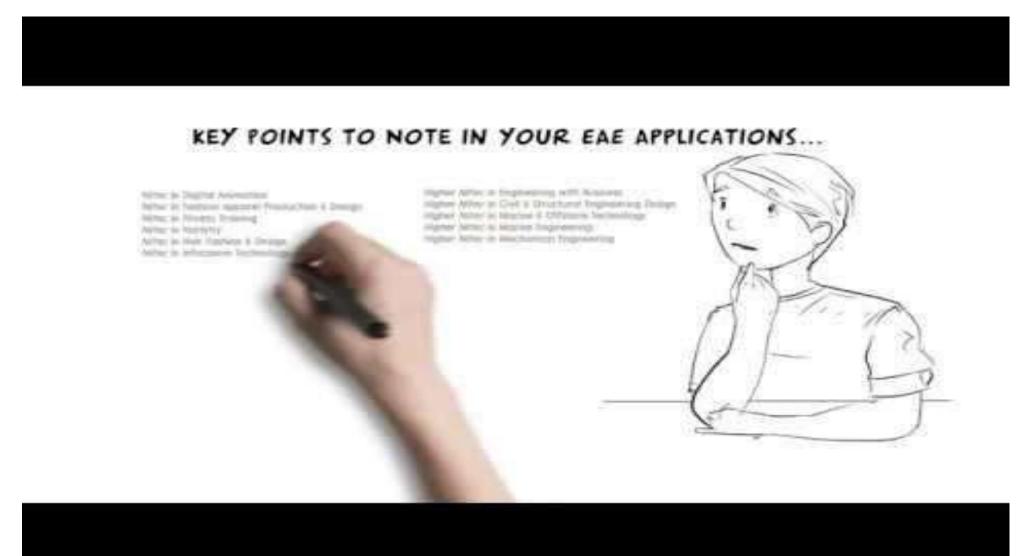








What is ITE Early Admissions Exercise (ITE EAE)?





ITE Early Admissions Exercise (ITE EAE)

Why ITE EAE?

 Aptitude-based admissions exercise that allows students to apply and receive conditional offers for admission to ITE before receiving N-Level results

How to apply?

- Submit application from May to June (apply in graduating year)
- Submit up to 3 courses



ITE Early Admissions Exercise (ITE EAE)

Eligibility

- Pass various modes of assessment to assess aptitude and interest for the courses
- As part of selection process, students may need to submit portfolios, undergo interviews and aptitude tests.
- Selection will also consider student's achievement in sports, arts leadership, entrepreneurship and community service (participation in CCA is important)
- If student has received conditional offer through ITE EAE, he/she must still meet the **minimum entry requirements** of the course to confirm the placement.



Post-Sec Pathways for N(T) Students

ITE *Nitec* courses

ITE EAE

Conducted <u>before</u> N-Level examinations (in May), students submit up to 3 course choices

Joint Intake Exercise

Conducted <u>after</u> N-Level results are released, students submit up to 12 course choices

GCE N-Level