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Art and Music Elective Programmes (AEP & MEP Centres)

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Centre-based Learning for Arts programmes and subjects

- At the secondary level, students may offer programmes/ subjects not offered in their own schools through centre-based learning.
- Students would attend weekly classes for these programmes/subjects in the afternoon at a centre that could be hosted by another school.
- For the arts, these include the following:

Arts programmes/subject	Level
Art Elective Programme (AEP)	Sec 1-4
Music Elective Programme (MEP)	Sec 1-4
O-Level Music Subject*	Sec 3-4

 This presentation will cover the application into the AEP and MEP through centre-based learning, which takes place within the first 2 weeks of Sec 1.

*Note: Details on the application into <u>O-Level Music</u> through centre-based learning will be informed to all students in May of the secondary 2 year.

Art Elective Programme (AEP)

Art Elective Programme (AEP) is a flagship programme established to nurture students with interest, potential, and passion in art and design.



4-year Secondary Art Elective Programme

Art Elective Programme



The AEP curriculum aims to develop students as practitioners, scholars, advocates and leaders in the arts.

The curriculum includes:

- ✓ An extended and balanced art curriculum comprising studio practice
 and art criticism components.
- ✓ Exposure to a range of art materials, media and creative processes.
- ✓ Access to specialised studio facilities, equipment and resources.
- ✓ Collaborative learning experiences with other AEP students through combined schools events and workshops.
- ✓ Opportunities to learn from arts industry professionals, and higher education students and staff about the arts and creative industries.
- ✓ Opportunity to offer Higher Art syllabus at O-Level.

Art Elective Programme Centre-Based Learning @ NJC



National Junior College (NJC) operates as an AEP Centre which extends the programme to students from all non-AEP/EAP schools. Students will travel to NJC for their weekly lessons throughout the four-year secondary level programme and enjoy the same specialised and rigorous AEP curriculum in studio practice and art appreciation.

To apply for AEP @ NJC at Secondary 1:

- ✓ Must pass a selection exercise comprising short <u>art tasks</u> and a <u>portfolio</u> <u>interview</u>.
- ✓ Requires endorsement from student's own secondary school.
- ✓ Application window: 3- 16 January 2023

Art Elective Programme Centre-Based Learning @ NJC



To apply for AEP Centre at Secondary 1

The selection exercise typically:

- focuses on evaluating students' suitability based on basic art skills, imagination, expressive and conceptual capacities, artistic dispositions, etc.
- makes fair consideration for students who may have had less access to additional developmental experiences and resources relative to their peers.

Students' portfolio are <u>not expected to be extensive</u>. Portfolios should be assembled to best reflect students' artistic abilities and potential in relation to their own interests and experiences.

Suitable works done in school are perfectly acceptable.







Music Elective Programme (MEP)

Music Elective Programme (MEP)

is a flagship programme established to nurture students with interest, potential, and passion in music.



4-year
Secondary
Music Elective
Programme

Music Elective Programme



The MEP curriculum aims to develop students as practitioners, scholars, advocates and leaders in the arts.

The curriculum includes:

- ✓ An extended and balanced music curriculum that develops skills in Listening, Creating, Performing and Research
- ✓ An in-depth study of Asian, Classical, Jazz, Popular and Multimedia genres
- ✓ Access to specialised facilities such as practice studios, music technology equipment and other resources (e.g. scores and audio-visual materials).
- ✓ Opportunities to learn and collaborate with MEP and EMP students from other schools.
- ✓ Opportunities to learn from music industry professionals through masterclasses and studio sessions.
- ✓ Opportunity to offer Higher Music syllabus at O-Level.

Music Elective Programme Centre-Based Learning



Anglo-Chinese School (Independent) (ACS (I)) and Dunman High School (DHS) operate as MEP Centres which extend the programme to students from all non-MEP/EMP schools. Students will travel either to ACS (I) or DHS for their weekly lessons throughout the four-year secondary level programme and enjoy the same specialised and rigorous MEP curriculum in Listening, Creating, Performing and Research.

To apply for MEP Centres at Secondary 1:

- ✓ Must pass a selection exercise comprising an e-Audition, e-Listening Test and e-Interview.
- ✓ Requires endorsement from student's own secondary school.
- ✓ Application window: 3- 16 January 2023

Music Elective Programme Centre-Based Learning



To apply for MEP (Centres) at Secondary 1

The selection exercise usually involves an <u>audition</u>, <u>listening test</u> and <u>interview</u> to assess students' potential and interest. The exercise comprises:

- i. Audition: Perform 2 contrasting solo pieces on an instrument (e.g., piano, trumpet, rebab, erhu, sitar) or voice, lasting no longer than 5 minutes in total.
- ii. Listening Test: Listen to 8–10 short musical extracts, taken from both Western and non-Western musical traditions, and respond to 25 MCQ questions.
- iii. Interview: Share musical aspirations and interests with a panel of music teachers. Applicants who have composed music could upload their scores and/or recordings as part of their online application.





Should I apply for AEP/MEP Centres?







Enrolling in AEP/ MEP Centres needs dedication!
You would have to

- Manage your time well because you would need to travel to Centres for lessons one afternoon a week.
- ii. Commit to the scheduled lessons, assignments and additional projects.

I'm interested! What should I do next?







To apply for AEP/ MEP Centres at Secondary 1,

- i. When posted to a secondary school that does not offer AEP/MEP/EAP/EMP, apply for AEP/ MEP Centres in the first two weeks of January.
- ii. Pass Selection Exercise at the start of the Secondary 1 school year.
- iii. Begin AEP/MEP lessons from Sec 1, Term 2.

Important Dates (2023)

The dates reflected here may be subject to change. Please check the MOE websites for the latest updates on details of the Selection Exercises.



Dates	Events
3 – 16 Jan	AEP and MEP: Submit online application form
	Online application includes submitting
	AEP: e-portfolio
	MEP: audition videos
26 Jan	MEP: e-Listening Test (Selection Exercise Phase 1) and briefing for applicants and parents
27 Jan	AEP: Briefing for applicants and parents
Bet. 13 – 22 Feb	AEP and MEP: Interviews (Selection Exercise Phase 2)
By 1 Mar	AEP and MEP: Receive application outcome
From 20 Mar	AEP and MEP: Lessons start from Term 2 Week 1

Schedule (Lessons start from Term 2)



The schedule reflected here may be subject to change.

	Centres	Lesson Timings for 2023 Sec 1 Cohort
AEP	National Junior College	Lower Sec: Tuesdays
	37 Hillcrest Road	(3.00 – 6.00pm)
	Singapore 288913	Upper Sec: Thursdays
		(3.00 – 6.00pm)
MEP	Anglo-Chinese School	Lower Sec: Thursdays
	(Independent)	(3.30 – 5.30pm)
	121 Dover Road	Upper Sec: Fridays
	Singapore 139650	(3.00 – 6.30pm)
	Dunman High School	Lower Sec: Mondays
	10 Tanjong Rhu Road	(3.30 – 5.30pm)
	Singapore 436895	Upper Sec: Wednesdays
		(3.30 – 6.45pm)



Find out more!

Programme	Weblinks
AEP	https://moe.gov.sg/aep
MEP	https://moe.gov.sg/mep