Post-Secondary Pathways for AY2027 graduating students

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Goals of ECG

Develop students' self-directedness and confidence to **explore** education and career **opportunities** while respecting the value of all occupations

Nurture students' **self-awareness** to develop their life purpose and **discover** how they can meaningfully play a part in their community

Build students' **adaptability** and **resilience** to embrace the need for lifelong learning

Education & Career Guidance

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From 2028, more post-secondary options will be available.

Students taking at least	ITE Year 1 Entry	ITE Year 2 Entry	Polytechnic Foundation Programme (PFP)	Polytechnic Year 1	Millennia Institute	Junior College
6 **G3** subjects	✓	✓	NEW ✓	✓	✓	✓
5 **G3** subjects	✓	✓	NEW ✓	✓	✓	NEW ✓
4 **G3** + 1 **G2** subjects subject	✓	✓	NEW ✓	NEW ✓		
5 **G2** subjects	✓	✓	✓			
4 **G1** subjects	✓	NEW* ✓				

*For students who meet ITE's Year 1 academic requirements

Taken from: https://www.moe.gov.sg/microsites/psle-fsbb/assets/infographics/full-subject-based-banding/subject-level-requirements-post-sec.pdf

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Singapore-Cambridge Secondary Education Certificate (SEC) examinations

- AY2027 graduating students will sit for the Singapore-Cambridge Secondary Education Certificate (SEC) examinations at their respective subject levels (G1, G2, G3)

- SEC examination timetable will be consolidated into a single sitting

- Written examinations for EL and MTL will be conducted in September

- Other subjects from October to November

Revised Junior College (JC) Admission Criteria

From 2028 JAE

L1**R5** ⟶ L1**R4**

The qualifying threshold for JC eligibility will be revised from
L1R5 ≤ 20 to **L1R4 ≤ 16**

- Reduce the number of **subjects required for JC admission from six to five**

- **Free** up time from offering one fewer subject, to strengthen their development of 21st Century Competencies and pursue other interests

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Subject requirements for JC admission under revised L1R4 criteria

Component	Subjects	Now L1R5	2028 JAE L1R4
L1	English or Higher Mother Tongue	✓	✓
R1	Any 1 best-scoring subject from Humanities	✓	✓
R2	Any 1 best-scoring subject from Mathematics or Science	✓	✓
R3	Any 1 best-scoring subject from Humanities, Mathematics or Science	✓	✓
R4	Any 1 best-scoring subject	✓	✓
R5	Any 1 best-scoring subject	✓	

Taken from: https://www.moe.gov.sg/microsites/cos2025/

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Subject requirements for Millennia Institute (MI) admission under revised L1R4 criteria

Component	Subjects	Now L1R4	2028 JAE L1R4
L1	English or Higher Mother Tongue	English or Higher Mother Tongue	English or Higher Mother Tongue
R1	**Relevant** Any 1 best-scoring subject from Humanities, Mathematics or Science		**Relevant** Any 1 best-scoring subject from Humanities
R2	**Relevant** Any 1 best-scoring subject from Humanities, Mathematics or Science		**Relevant** Any 1 best-scoring subject from Mathematics or Science
R3	**Best-Scoring** Any 1 best-scoring subject		**Relevant** Any 1 best-scoring subject from Humanities, Mathematics or Science
R4	Any 1 best-scoring subject		Any 1 best-scoring subject

* **L1R4** ≤ 20 remains the same for MI

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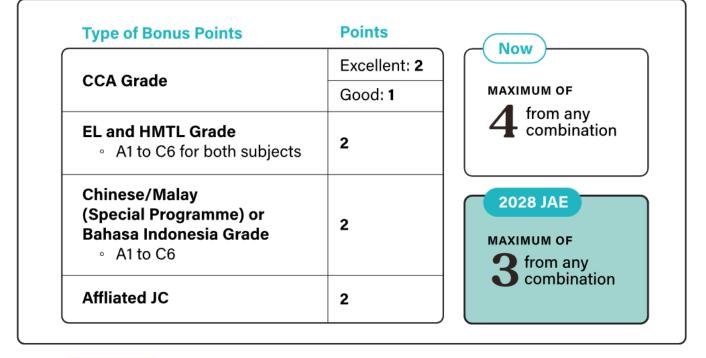**R**espect . **I**ntegrity . **S**elf-discipline . **E**mpathy

Grade requirements for specific subjects for JC/MI

Students must obtain the minimum grade requirements for the following subjects

Subject	Grade
English Language	1-6
Any 1 Mathematics	1-7
Any 1 Mother Tongue Language (MTL): • MTL: Chinese, Malay, Tamil • MTL approved by MOE in lieu of an official MTL (MTL-in-lieu): Bengali, Gujarati, Hindi, Punjabi, Urdu, French, German, Japanese, Arabic, Burmese, Thai	**HMTL:** • 1-8 at G3 **MTL:** • 1-7 at G3 • 1-5 at G2 • A-D at G1

Revised Bonus Point System

Type of Bonus Points	Points	
CCA Grade	Excellent: **2**	
	Good: **1**	
EL and HMTL Grade ◦ A1 to C6 for both subjects	2	
Chinese/Malay **(Special Programme) or** **Bahasa Indonesia Grade** ◦ A1 to C6	2	
Affliated JC	2	

Now

MAXIMUM OF
4 from any combination

2028 JAE

MAXIMUM OF
3 from any combination

No change

Additional 2 bonus points are still awarded if a student has applied and is selected for the Chinese, Malay, or Tamil Language Elective Programme.

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Admission to Polytechnic Year 1

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Admission to Polytechnic Year 1

- **Currently:** To enter Polytechnic Year 1, students have to take five O-Level/G3 subjects, and achieve a net ELR2B2 (English Language [EL], two relevant [R] and two best [B] subjects) aggregate score of 26 points or better

- **AY2028 intake**: one G2 subject can be counted as a [B] subject

- All students will be assessed on a **common benchmark of four G3 subjects and one G2 subject**, instead of five G3 subjects.

- Students who offer both [B] subjects at G3 will have their [B] subject with a lower grade mapped from G3 to G2 based on an empirically validated grade mapping table

- **Net ELR2B2 aggregate score of 22 points or better ***

* Meet **Minimum Entry Requirements (MERs)** of each course

Grade Mapping Table (G3 to G2)	
G3	**G2**
A1, A2, B3	1
B4, C5, C6	2
D7	3
E8	4
9	5
-	6

Admission to Polytechnic Year 1

- Example of a student taking G3 Cat C subject combinations:
  EL, MT, Mathematics, Humanities (SS, Geo), Science (Bio, Chem), NFS, POA

- ELR2B2-B aggregate score of 17 points

- Net aggregate score of 15 points (assuming 2 CCA bonus points)

Subject		Grade
EL	English	C6
R1	Mathematics	B4
R2	Humanities (SS, Geo)	A2
B1	POA	B3
B2	Science (Bio, Chem)	**C5 mapped to G2 Grade 2**
Aggregate Score		6 + 4 + 2 + 3 + **2** = 17 points

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Admission to Polytechnic Foundation Programme (PFP)

- **AY2028 intake**: students taking G3 subjects, or a mix of G2 and G3 subjects will be allowed to apply to PFP

- G3 subjects will be mapped to G2 based on the grade mapping table

- PFP eligibility remains at ELMAB3 raw aggregate score of ≤ 12

Subject specific requirements for PFP	
G2 subjects	**Minimum grade requirement**
English Language	3
Mathematics	3
Relevant Subject	3
Two "Best" Subjects	4

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Admission to Polytechnic Foundation Programme (PFP)

- Students will be admitted to the PFP in 3 broad clusters instead of a specific diploma course

	NP	RP	SP	NYP	TP
Cluster					
Sciences	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Humanities, Art, Media & Business	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Design, Engineering & Technology	✓	✓	✓		
Design Sub-cluster				✓	✓
Engineering & Technology Sub-cluster				✓	✓
Specific diploma					
Nursing	✓			✓	
Early Childhood Development & Education	✓				✓
Tamil Studies with Early Education	✓				

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Admission to ITE

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*For students who meet ITE's Year 1 academic requirements

- From AY2026 intake, all ITE courses will transition to 3 Year Higher Nitec courses

- From **AY2028 intake, students are able to apply for admission into Year 2 of all 3-Year Higher NITEC courses**

- **Admission requirements will be set at G2**

- Students who obtain an ELMAB3 aggregate score of 19 points or better may seek direct entry into Year 2 of Higher NITEC

- For those taking a combination of G3 and G2 subjects, G3 subjects will be mapped to G2 for the computation of the aggregate score

- Students who offer mostly G1 subjects may first progress to Year 1 of the 3-year Higher Nitec. If a student scores a GPA of 3.7 or better in Year 1 Sem 1, they can progress to Year 2 Sem 2 after a 3-month bridging programme. Course duration is reduced to 2 years 3 months.

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Poly progression guarantee for all Higher NITEC graduates with raw GPA of 3.5 and above

- From the AY2027 poly intake, Higher NITEC students with a GPA of 3.5 will be guaranteed admission to a polytechnic course **mapped** to their current Higher NITEC course

- Top 10% (~1,000) of Higher NITEC graduates across all courses will be guaranteed a place in a polytechnic diploma mapped to their ITE course

- The DPP pathway will cease from the 2028 ITE intake

- The minimum entry requirements for ITE students to progress to polytechnics will also be raised from GPA 2.0 to GPA 2.5 from the 2027 polytechnic intake

- ITE Work-Study Diploma and Technical Diploma, NAFA and LASALLE diplomas

Taken from: https://www.channelnewsasia.com/singapore/nitec-ite-polytechnic-gpa-moe-normal-admission-3644916

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Eligibility for 5th Year

- ELMAB3, computed at G2, will be used to determine students' eligibility for the 5th year

- Sec 4 students offering mostly G2 subjects progressing to 5th year to offer mostly G3 subjects can upgrade to all G3 subjects if ELMAB3 ≤ 19

Key considerations

Strengths – Which subjects do you understand without difficulty or able to overcome difficulties?

Interests – Which subjects are you interested in?

Workload – How will the overall workload be like?

Aspirations – Which post-Sec pathway to work towards?

For a G2 posting group student, may like to consider taking subjects at G3 to develop interest and deepen understanding in the subjects; and to access more post-Sec pathways

How can you better engage and support your children?

recognise that each child is **unique** and provide opportunities at home for them to discover their strengths and interests, and what they enjoy doing

be **aware** of the various education pathways available and how they cater to the strengths and interests of your children

guide them to set targets in working towards their **goals** and help them to embrace mistakes as opportunities for growth

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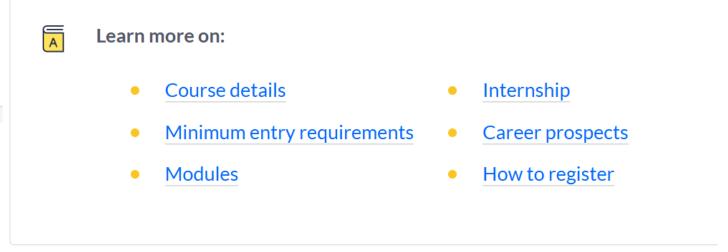POLYTECHNICS

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Aerospace Engineering

Course code: **N65**

☑ Admission Type: **JAE, DAE, JPAE, Poly EAE, PFP**

🏫 **Ngee Ann Polytechnic**

☑ 2025 JAE ELR2B2-C aggregate : 7 - 14

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- Minimum entry requirements
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- Internship
- Career prospects
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