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Higher Mother Tongue (HMTL) and Third Languages

Higher Mother Tongue Option Deadline: Wednesday, 24 December 2025, 12pm.

Higher Mother Tongue Language (HMTL) Option Forms

HMTL Option Form (Form A)

Students who are eligible to take up HMTL will receive the option form (Form A) via Parents Gateway. Parents can accept the offer by giving consent via Parents Gateway.

Please complete the online registration by Wednesday, 24 December 2025, 12pm.

Registration for Third Language at MOE Language Centres (Bishan and Newton)

2025 Sec 1 Online Registration (Information from MOELC website)

1. For registration at MOELC, students are to confirm the acceptance of the offer and complete the online registration at <https://www.moelc.moe.edu.sg/>
2. Strictly drop off only at both campuses.

Nearest carparks:

Newton Campus – e.g., Newton Food Centre

Bishan Campus – e.g., Bishan Sports Stadium car park



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FAQs for Mother Tongue Languages and Higher Mother Tongue Languages

Question	Answer
What happens if I want my daughter to take HMTL in Secondary School?	If your daughter is eligible to take up HMTL in Secondary School, she will be given the option form through your Parents Gateway account. You can accept the offer by giving consent via Parents Gateway. An email will be sent to parents without a Parents' Gateway account. All HMTL lessons are held at our school.
My daughter has not been offered a Higher Mother Tongue Language. Can she appeal?	PG3 students who have not been offered a HMTL will have an opportunity to take HMTL (subject at a more demanding level) if they attain >75% (A1) for Mother Tongue Language (MTL) in Semester 2.
My daughter takes G2 MTL. Will she be offered G3 MTL if she performs well?	PG2 students who have not been offered G3 MTL will have an opportunity to take G3 MTL (subject at a more demanding level) if they attain >75% (A1) for Mother Tongue Language in Semester 2.
Is Hindi offered at CGS?	Hindi classes are held at our school, but the lessons are taught by a teacher engaged by the D.A.V Hindi Association. For the details on the class fees, students can approach the teacher during their first lesson.

If my daughter was given approval for the following in Primary School, do we need to reapply for approval at Secondary 1?

Approval at Primary level	Need to apply in Sec 1	No need to reapply in Sec 1
Students with approval to offer non-MTL, e.g., Chinese student offering Malay/Tamil as MTL in Primary level are required to continue offering the approved official MTL at secondary and pre-university levels.		✓
Non-Tamil Indian students are allowed to offer an approved non-Tamil Indian Language (i.e., Bengali, Gujarati, Hindi, Panjabi or Urdu) in lieu of an official MTL. Students who wish to do so must apply for approval from MOE. Students must receive this approval from MOE before attending their first NTIL (Non-Tamil Indian Language) lesson.	✓	
Non-Tamil Indian students who have obtained approval at the primary level are not required to re-apply. They are required to continue offering the approved NTIL at secondary and pre-university levels.		✓



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Students who have already been exempted from offering Mother Tongue Language in primary school.		✓
Secondary 1 student who have been away from Singapore's school system for many years and who have not kept up with the study of their MTL may apply for exemption from studying their official MTL or to study a non-official language such as French, German or Japanese in lieu of MTL. Applications should be made through the school and will be considered on a case-by-case basis.	✓	

FAQs for Mother Tongue Language Special Programmes

Question	Yes	No	Remarks
If my daughter did not get an offer letter from MOE to take Malay Special Programme (MSP) and Chinese Special Programme (CSP), will she be able to take the subject?		✓	The school has no jurisdiction in offering MSP and CSP for students. MOE will give students a letter of offer if they are eligible for MSP/CSP.
Are MSP and CSP offered in Crescent Girls' School?		✓	For students who are eligible and offered by MOE to take MSP or CSP, they are to attend lessons in MOELC or Centres that offer MSP/CSP. The students will need to register with MOELC. MOELC will inform students of the time and venue for lessons.

FAQs for Asian Languages

Is my daughter eligible to take any of the Asian Languages?

If your daughter is a Secondary 1 student, she can choose to learn any of the four Asian languages offered [in addition to MTL] if she meets the following criteria:

Asian Languages	CSP	MSP	Bahasa Indonesia	Arabic
Citizenship Requirement	No restriction		Singapore citizen/PR/ Daughter of a Singapore citizen/PR	
2 nd language prerequisite	Must not have offered Chinese/ Higher Chinese at PSLE	Must not have offered Malay/ Higher Malay at PSLE	Must not have offered Malay/Higher Malay at PSLE	NIL
Bonus Points for L1R5 at O-Level	Yes			No



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The score for this subject may be used in place of Humanities as part of the aggregate score for admission to JC/Centralised Institute.		
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To be eligible to apply for the following Third Language, applicants must satisfy all three criteria for the respective Third Language:

Foreign Languages (FL) • French • German • Japanese • Spanish	• Students must obtain a PSLE Score of 8 or better • For Japanese, students must have taken CL/HCL at PSLE • Students must be SC or SPR, or a child of a SC/SPR
Asian Languages (AsL) • Arabic • Bahasa Indonesia	• Students must obtain a PSLE Score of 24 or better. • For Bahasa Indonesia, students must not have offered ML/HML as their MTL at PSLE • Students must be SC or SPR, or a child of a SC/SPR
Special Programmes • Malay Special Programme (MSP) • Chinese Special Programme (CSP)	• Students must obtain a PSLE Score of 24 or better. • For MSP, students must not have offered ML/HML as their MTL at PSLE • For CSP, students must not have offered CL/HCL as their MTL at PSLE