

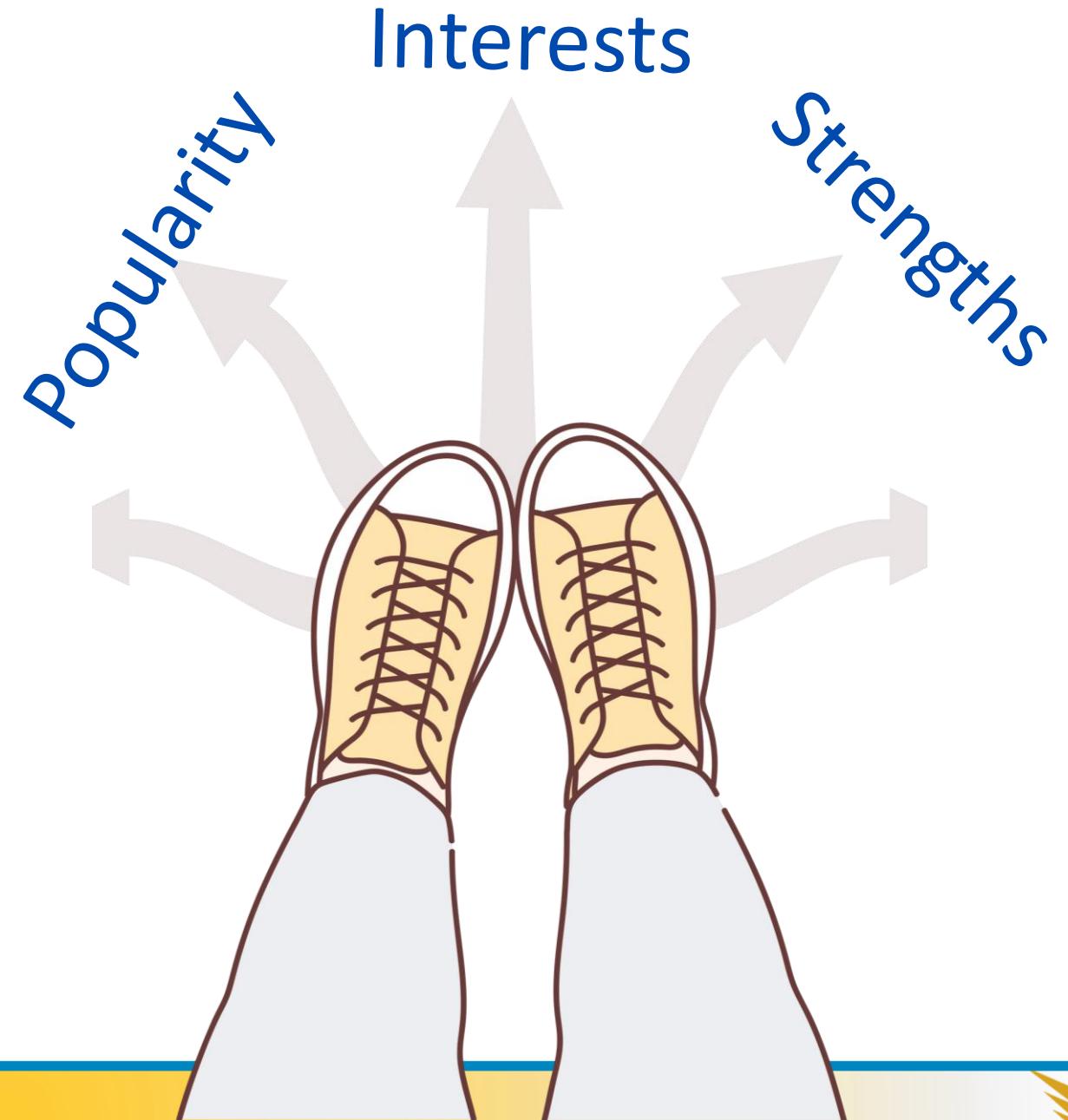
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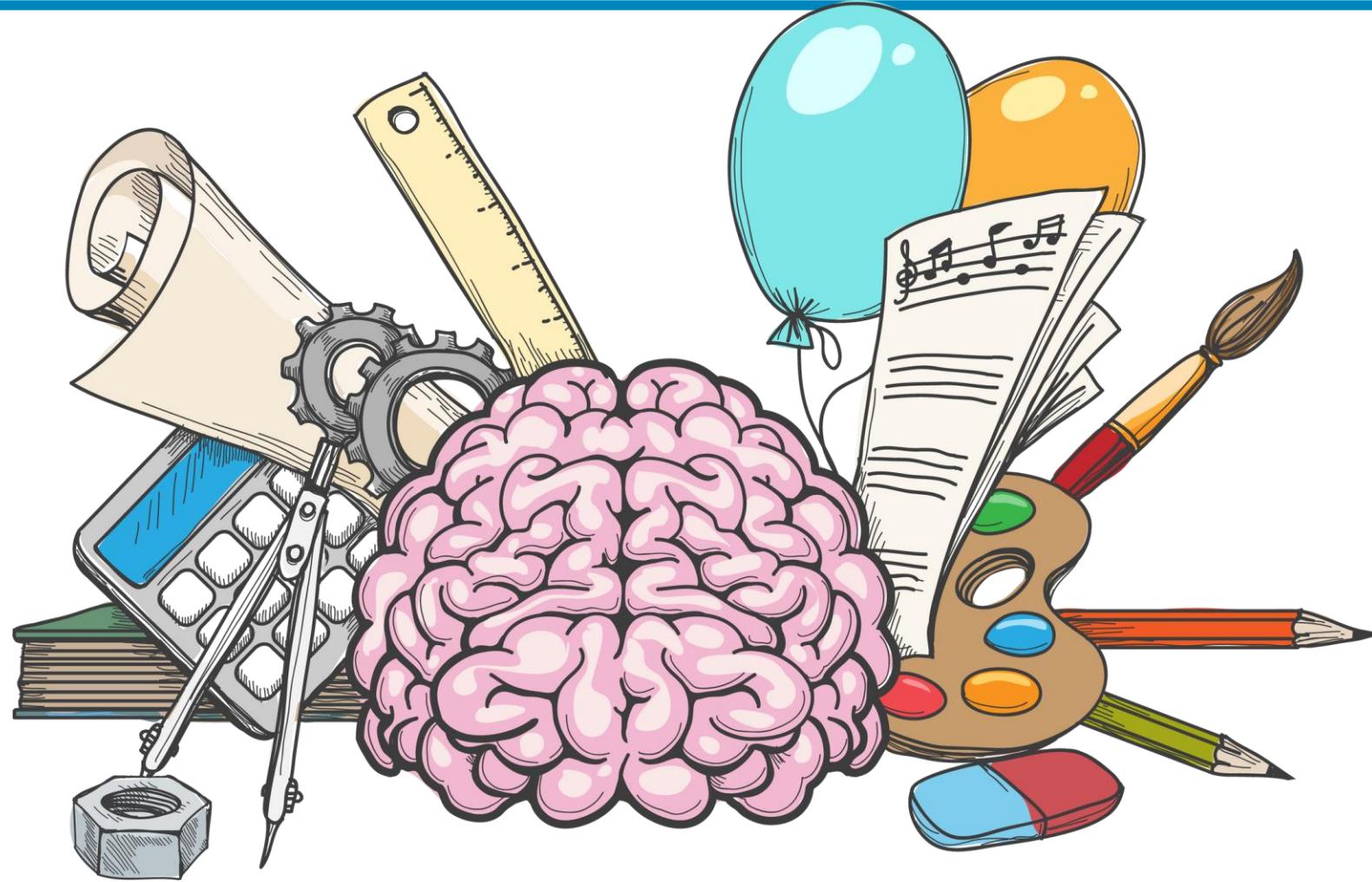
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**Sec 2 ECG Parents
Engagement**
5 July 7.30 – 8.50 pm



How should I choose?





Knowledge-
based



Skills-
based



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*Divisional Director/ETD
Former head of MOE's Sciences Branch*

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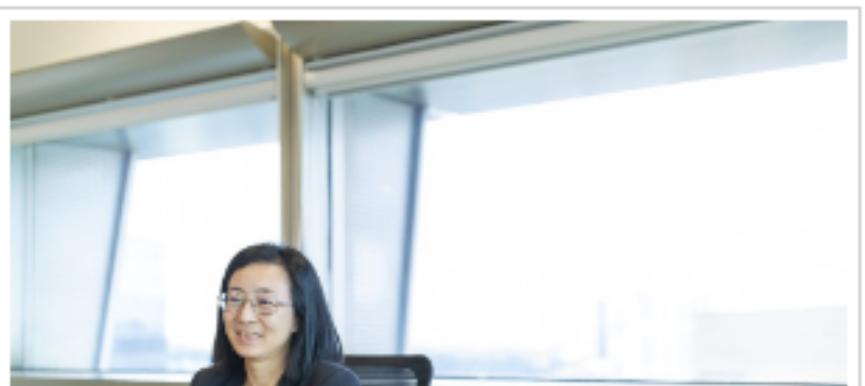
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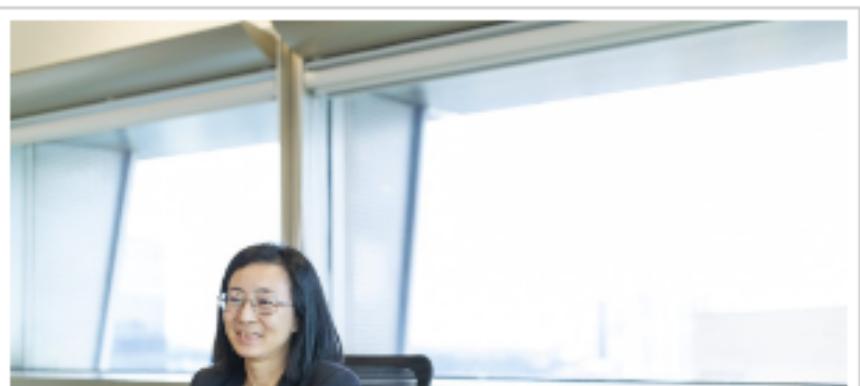
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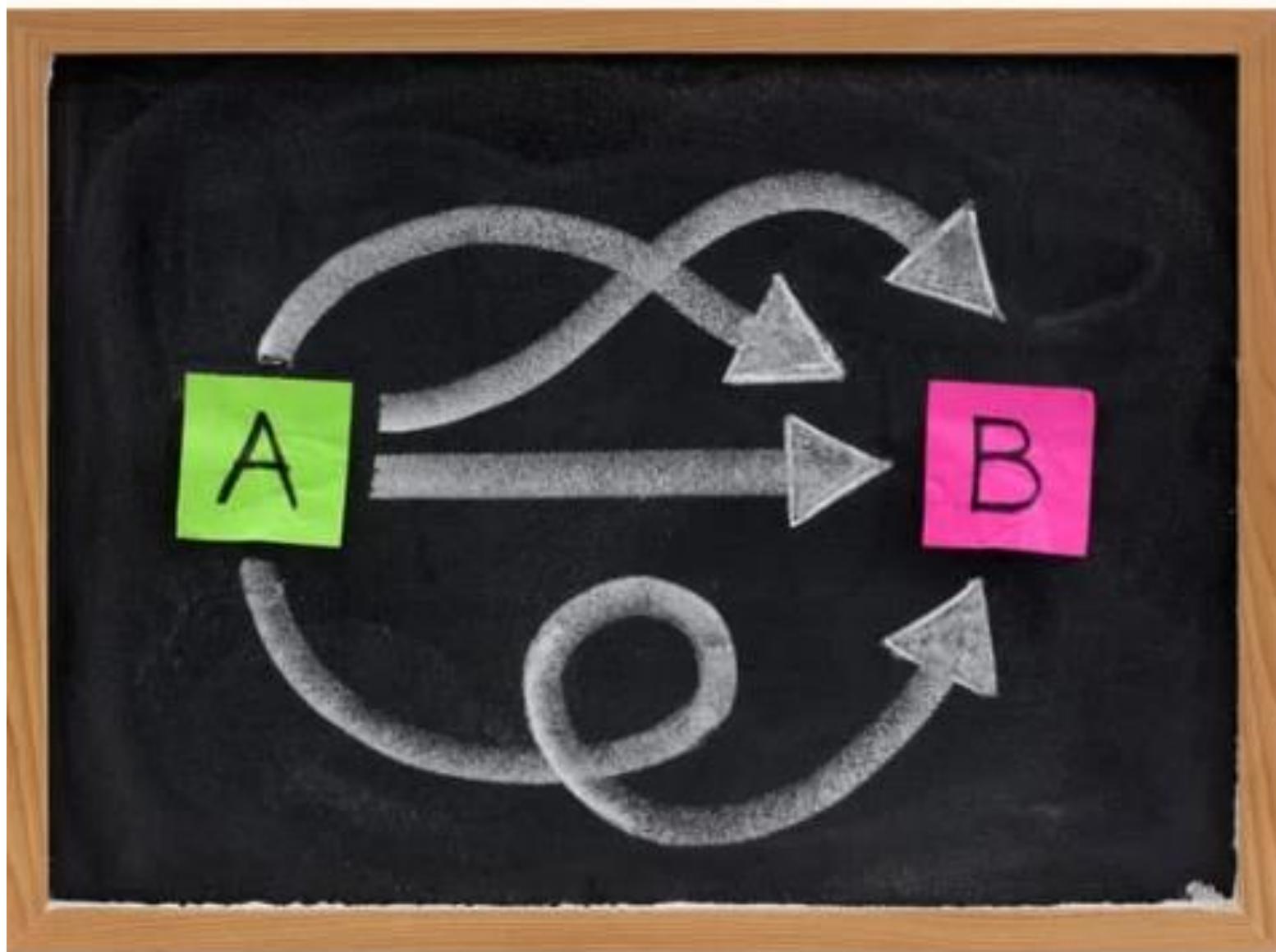
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*In the garden of setbacks, the seeds of growth are sown.
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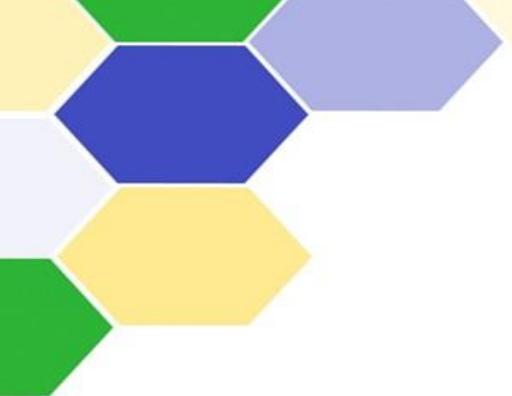




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Subject Combination and Supporting Your Child's ECG Journey by ECG Counsellor Ms Yap Hwee Hoon



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Sharing

- 1) Education & Career Guidance Support for your child
- 2) Factors to consider in selecting upper secondary subjects and its impact on post N/O-Level pathways
- 3) Tips on Parent-Child ECG conversation

My Education & Career Guidance Journey @ NBRSS



We are here!

Secondary 2

Career Awareness
(RIASEC career exploration,
Selection of Sec 3
Subject Combination)



Post-tertiary

Further education or
Join the world of work



Adulthood



Secondary 1

Self discovery and exploration
(RIASEC exploration,
Show and Tell)



Secondary 3/4/5

Career Planning and Exploration

(Exploration of post-secondary education institutes, industries, portfolio development, preparation for EAE/DSA, interview workshops, Career Day)

Education & Career Guidance Support For Your Child

Every Mon & Wed

★ 1:1 and Small Group ECG Counselling

★ Workshops

★ Talks

★ Share industries & education resources

Increase awareness of interest & strength



Explore industries and careers



Right-sizing subjects combination



Explore post N/O-Level Plans



Defining Success

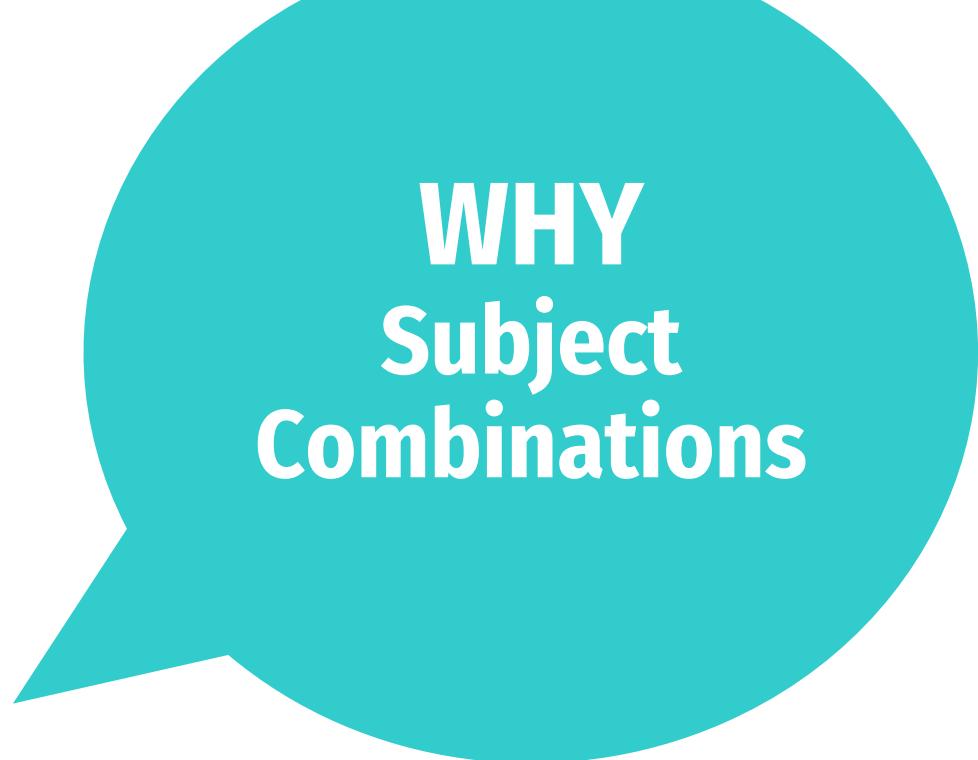


Education & Career Guidance

Home-School Partnership, we guide your child to

- develop their **life purpose**,
- explore **opportunities**, and
- stay **relevant**,

so that they can ***define their own success***



WHY Subject Combinations

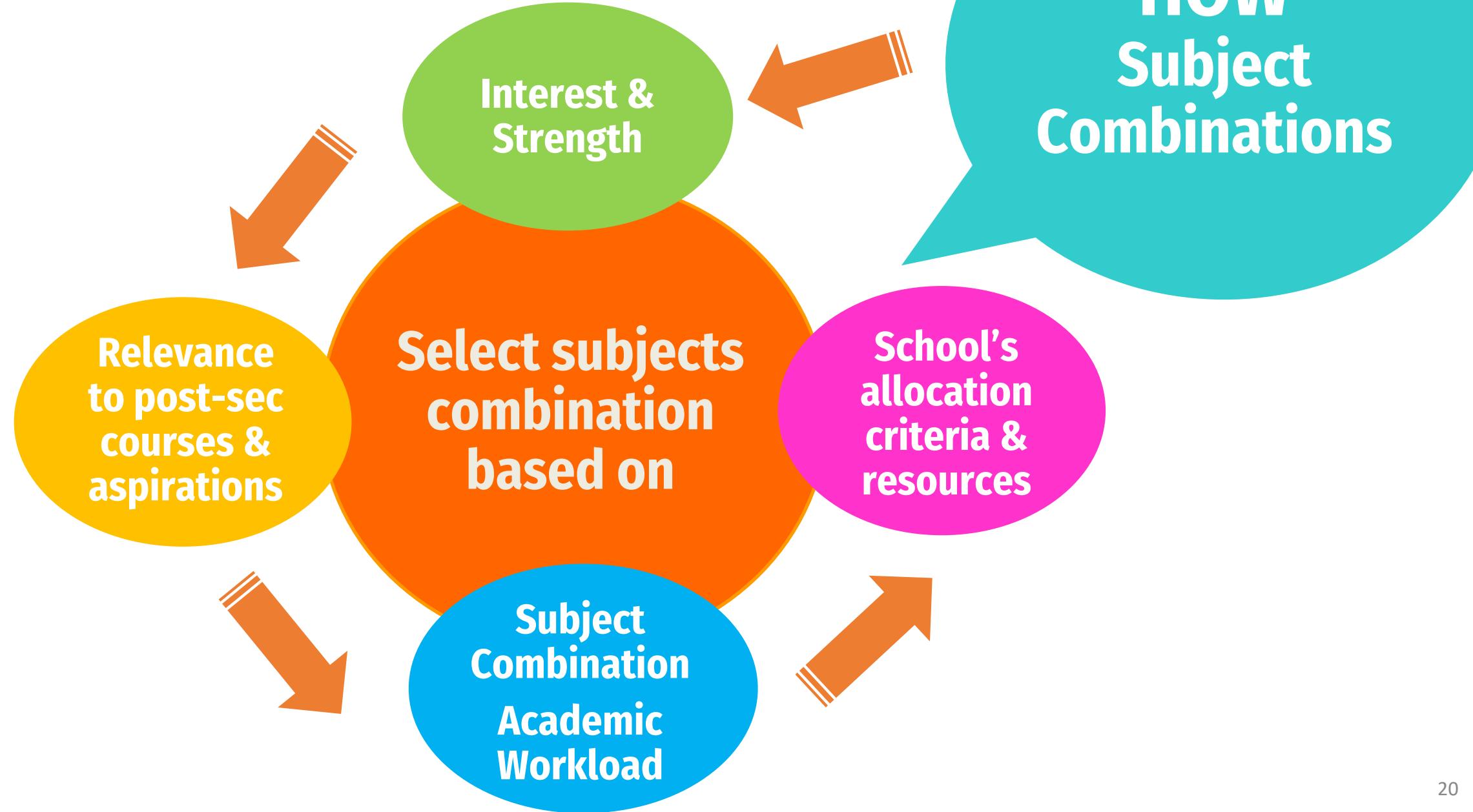
- Deeper learning of subjects at upper secondary level
- Prepare your child for post N/O-Level courses in ITE / Pre-Universities / Polytechnic / Arts Institutions that are aligned to their Values, Interest, Personality, Strength (V.I.P.S) and aspirations

WHAT Subject Combinations

- Select 5 – 7 subjects, depending on your child's exam type (*ie, Normal Academic, Normal Technical, Express*)
- What subject level to take? (*ie. Normal Academic, Normal Technical, Express*)
- Which electives to take?
- Choose a subject combination that are aligned to child's Values, Interest, Personality, Strength (V.I.P.S), aspirations and post N/O-level courses child wish to enrol in



4 Factors To Consider



Your Child's Subject Interest and Strength

Who am I? *Discovering Purpose*

Interest

E.g. drawing, dismantle & reassemble toy cars, science, tech, subjects child like

Personality

E.g. hands-on, creative, like variety, 1 task a time

Strength

E.g. people person, problem-solving, curious, numeracy skills

Aspirations/

Areas to contribute to

E.g. food sustainability, environment, cyber wellness



Aeronautic Technology

Air Force Museum



Changi Xperience Studio



Forensic Science

Subject Combi Relevance to Post-Sec Courses

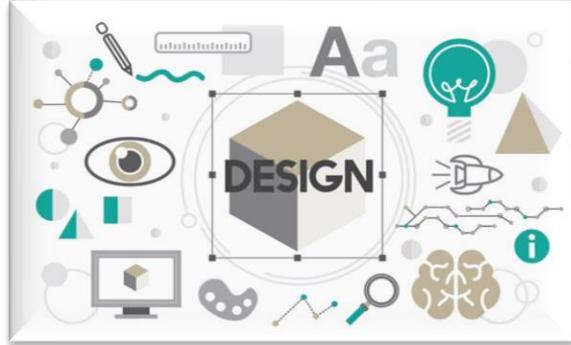
Where do I want to go?
Exploring Opportunities



Keep up-to-date with changing industries
and education landscape

Understand the subject combination
required for post-sec courses

Opportunities in the Changing Industries Landscape



Design & Tech related

E.g. design interior space, video production, architect



Sustainability related

E.g. protect biodiversity, research and solve issues of pollution, waste

Emerging Industries



Biopharmaceutical Manufacturing

E.g. research and test new drug, manage manufacturing plant's operations



Engineering related

E.g. design and test new aircraft, improve quality of medical care products

New Job Roles



Business related

E.g. finance, marketing, office admin



Food Science related

E.g. develop food process engineering technology, create new food source

Transferable Soft Skills

16 Critical Core Skills for Employability

Firms prioritise skills over academic qualifications, say top leaders from Google and LinkedIn



Photo Credit: The Straits Times, YouTube



Photo Credit: MySkillsFuture Website



INTERACTING WITH OTHERS

Skills to Build Skills

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STAYING RELEVANT

Understand post-sec pathways and relevance of subject combination to post-sec courses



Relevance
to post-sec
courses &
area to
contribute

Post-Secondary Pathways

Poly



Arts
Institution



ITE



hands-on and practice-based learning experience in various fields of study

Graduate with diploma and join World of Work or further studies at university

3-Year diploma

- E.g.
- Diploma in AI & Data Engineering
 - Diploma in Biomedical Science

Graduate with Higher Nitec and join World of Work or pursue Poly / ITE Diploma

2 or 3-Year Higher Nitec

- E.g.
- Diploma in Music
 - Diploma in Interior Design

- E.g.
- Higher Nitec in Cyber Network and Security
 - Higher Nitec in Sports Management

Junior College (JC)/
Millennia Institute (MI)

Take GCE A-Level

Upon graduation,
progress to university

2 or 3-Year GCE A-Level

- E.g.
- Science Stream
 - Art Stream
 - Commerce Stream (MI)



Multiple Post N/O-Level Progression Pathway

**Available
Pathway for both
NT, NA & O-Level
Students**

ITE 3-Year Higher Nitec

Progress to

- 1) ITE Work-Study Diploma
- 2) ITE Technical Diploma
- 3) Poly Diploma
- 4) Arts Institution Diploma

**Additional Pathway
for NA-Level
Students**

1) Sec 5 for
O-Level

2) Poly
Foundation
Programme (PFP)

3) ITE Direct Entry
Scheme to Poly
Programme (DPP)

4) Nanyang Academic of
Fine Art Foundation
Programme (NFP)

Graduate with a Diploma

**Additional Pathway
For O-Level
Students**

1) Junior College/
Millennia Institute
(GCE A-Level)

2) ITE 2-Year
Higher Nitec

3) Poly
Diploma

4) Arts Institution
(Nanyang Academy of
Fine Arts / LASALLE
College of The Arts)

Progression to pathways subject to meeting eligibility criteria

ITE & Poly Pathway for NT, NA & O-Level Students

Authentic Learning Simulating Workplaces

Workplace@Campus, Campus@Workplace



Training Kitchens @ CW



Automotive Hub @ CW



Centre for Healthcare Simulation @ CE



Aerospace Hub @ CC



ITE-Sembcorp Centre for Sustainable Solutions @ CE



Horticulture Technology Hub @ CE

Augmented with 6-month internship for learning at the workplace

Industry Exposure and Progression

ITE students get LKY Technology Award for coming up with prototype for cheaper ventilators



Industry Competition

Ex-ITE student's dream comes true as he joins 2,000 graduating from Singapore Institute of Technology



Progression to university

FPT Software enters into a partnership with Nanyang Polytechnic



Microsoft opens Asia's first Datacenter Academy in Singapore with ITE

Nov 17, 2022 | Singapore News Center



Industry Partnerships

Sample Course Clusters at ITE / Poly

ITE

Hospitality

Engineering

Business &
Services

Applied &
Health Science

Design & Media

Electronics and
Info-Comm
Technology

Poly

Maritime
Studies

Humanities

Built
Environment

Design &
Media

ITE Pathway: Relevant Subjects

2-Year Higher Nitec (O-Level Students)

Depending on course:

- English
- Elementary OR Additional Mathematics
- Pure Science or Science
(Chemistry/Physics)/(Chemistry/Biology)
- Computing

3-year Higher Nitec (NT, NA & O-Level Students)

Depending on course:

- English
- Elementary OR Additional Mathematics
- Science

Poly Pathway: Relevant Subjects (R1 & R2)

ELR2B2 (Require 5 O-Level subjects) / EL: English, R: Relevant Subject, B: Best Subject



	Group A Social Sciences	Group B Business	Group C Science / Engineering / ICT	Group D Design/Media
Example of courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arts & Theatre Management Law & Management Mass Communication 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accountancy Food & Beverage Business Hospitality & Tourism Management 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AI & Data Engineering Biomedical Science Food Science & Tech 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Animation, Games & Visual Effects Landscape Design & Horticulture Product Experience & Design
R1	Art, Geography, History, Literature		Elementary Mathematics OR Additional Mathematics (E or A Maths)	
R2	E or A Math Art Design & Technology Nutrition & Food Science Geography, History, Literature Higher MTL Music	Art Humanities Geography History Literature	Combined Science Biology Chemistry Physics Design & Technology Nutrition & Food Science	Art Combined Science Biology Chemistry Physics Design & Technology Nutrition & Food Science
B1, B2	Any Best 2 Subjects			

GCE A-Level Pathway: Relevant Subjects for Junior College / Millennia Institute

Junior College (JC): 2-Year Programme (Require 6 O-Level subjects)

Number of subjects	L1R5 - 6 subjects
L1R5	Relevant subjects
L1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• English OR• Higher Mother Tongue
R1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Humanities
R2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Math
R3	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Science
R4 & R5	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Any 2 best-scoring subjects except religious knowledge

Millennia Institute (MI): 3-Year Programme (Require 5 O-Level subjects)

Number of subjects	L1R4 - 5 subjects
L1R4	Relevant subjects
L1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• English OR• Higher Mother Tongue
R1, R2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Any 2 best-scoring subject from Humanities, Math or Science
R3, R4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Any 2 best-scoring subjects except religious knowledge

Support for ITE graduates

For ITE graduates aged 30 and below:

- **S\$5,000 top-up** to Post-Secondary Education Account when an ITE graduate enrols in a diploma programme
- Further **S\$10,000 top-up** to CPF Ordinary Account when the ITE graduate gets their diploma



Support for ITE Graduate

THE STRAITS TIMES

From Academic Year 2027, students pursuing a **Higher Nitec qualification at ITE will be guaranteed admission to a polytechnic course related to their Higher Nitec course**, if they attain a grade point average **(GPA) of 3.5 or above**, the Ministry of Education (MOE) said.

Progression from ITE to Poly

More pathways to polys for ITE students from 2027



ITE College West graduate Muhammad Celciel Razali won the Singapore Business Federation Gold Medal. ST PHOTO: GAVIN FOO

Aptitude-Based Admissions

THE STRAITSTIMES

SINGAPORE

More aptitude-based varsity admissions to shift emphasis away from academic grades



Direct School Admission – JC (DSA-JC)

ITE Early Admission Exercise (ITE EAE)

Poly Early Admission Exercise (Poly EAE)

**Encourage child to explore and participate in different inside and outside school activities and keep records of their participation.
(eg. photos, certificates, skills learnt)**

These records will be useful for aptitude-based admissions in the future.

Academic Workload and School's Offering

How do I get there? *Staying Relevant*

**Subject
Combination
Academic
Workload**

**School's
allocation
criteria &
resources**

- Understand school's subject combination offering
- Understand the eligibility criteria
- Right-sizing subject combination to manage academic rigor
- Set goals; E.g. required grades for the subject combination
- Be open to consider different subject combination
- Be adaptable and resilience

In Selecting Subject Combination, Think About

Areas of Interest

Subject requirements
in relation to
post-N & O-Level pathways

Selection of
subjects

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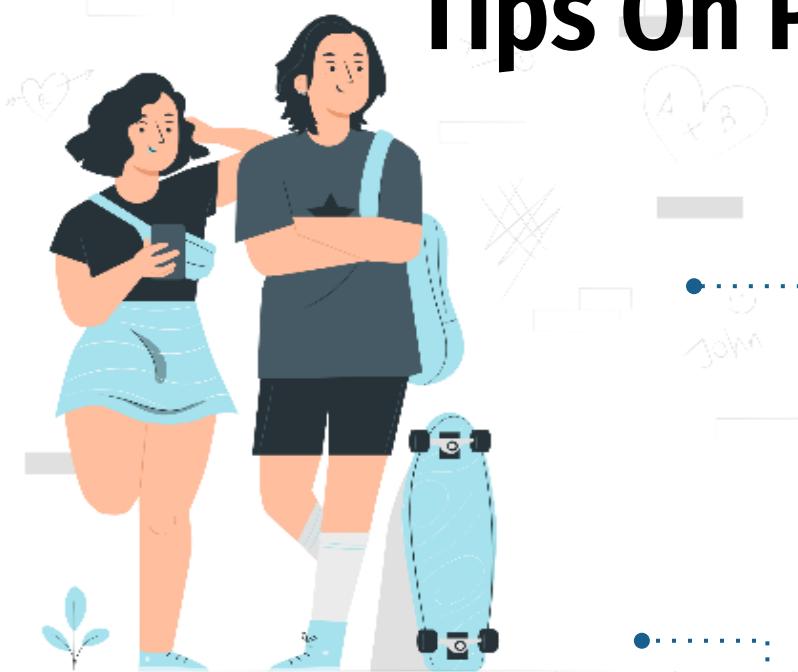
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- Business related
- Engineering related
- Environment related
- Art related
- General

- 5 to 8 (depend on stream)
- Interest in the subject
- Subject strength
- Manage academic rigor

Select a subject combination that align to your child's Values, Interest, Personality, Strength, aspirations, and open-up multiple post N/O-level possibilities.

Tips On Parent-Child ECG Conversation

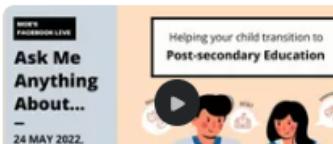


Journeying With Our
Children, Achieving Their
Aspirations

Choosing subjects for Sec
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Video Recording: Helping Your Child Transiting to Post-Secondary Pathways: Panel discussion between ECG Counsellor, Parent and his teens



Have regular
conversation with child,
hear their thoughts

Understand child's values,
interest, personality,
strength, aspirations

Research with child on
emerging industry trends
& careers to make an
informed decision

Encourage child to
explore opportunities, be
open-minded, adaptable
and embrace a growth
mindset

ECG Resources

:Padlet
ECResource + 3 + 2d

Education & Career Guidance (ECG) Suggested Resource for Students and Parents

Use the 3 ECG Questions to guide you in your exploration and make an informed decision for your education and career pathways: 'Who Am I? (discovering your purpose)', 'Where Do I Want To Go? (exploring opportunities)' and 'What Can I Do? (developing your portfolio)'

There are Multiple Pathways to reach your aspirations.

ECG Consultation & Contacts

- Sign Up:** Gain experiences & develop your portfolio
- Parent & Child ECG Conversation**
- ITE EAE 2024**
- Poly EAE 2024**

What is Education & Career Guidance for you?

YouTube video thumbnail showing a person holding a medal.

Connect with Ms Yap Hwee Hoon, ECG Counsellor

YouTube video thumbnail showing a person holding a medal.

Discover On My Way: Connect with seniors at ITE, Poly, JC, Uni or sign-up for job tasters

NYC logo.

Choosing subjects for Sec 3: Put interest before popularity

Photo of three students in a classroom setting.

21 to 28 May: ITE EAE Application dates for 2025 Intake

Photo of students working on a schoolbag.

Poly EAE Application Template

XLSX file icon.

ITE 3-Year Higher Nitec & 2-Year Nitec Courses for EAE Application

ITE logo.

20 - 26 June: Poly EAE Application Opens for 2025 Intake

Republic Polytechnic logo.

Education & Career Guidance Padlet

<https://go.gov.sg/ecg-resource>



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Browse and sign-up for external ECG events, Watch career videos, Suggested research websites for industries and educational pathways, Read inspiring stories, Ms Hwee Hoon's contact and ECG Appointment Link



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Join 'On My Way' Telegram
for talks, events and job
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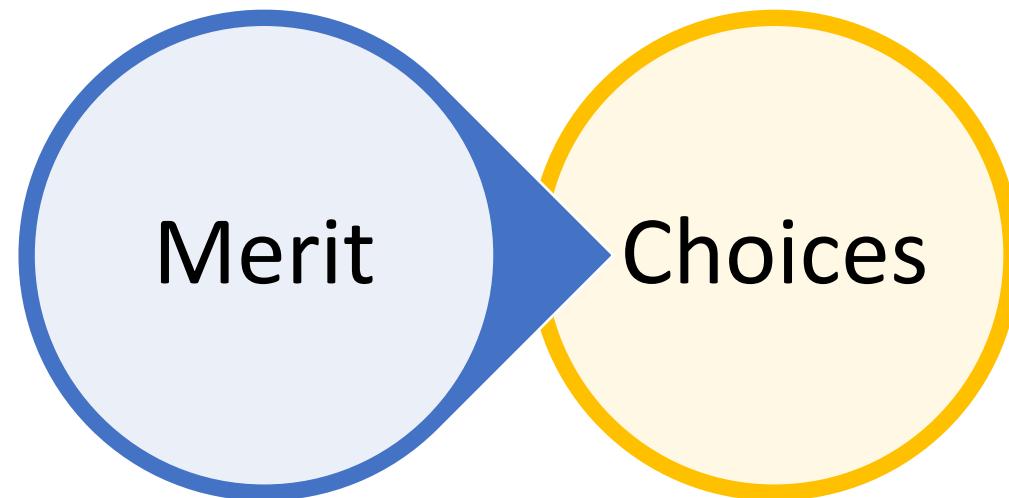
Outline

- # Key Considerations in Subject Offerings and Allocation

 - Timeline for Subject Selection Exercise
 - Subject Information and Subject Combinations
 - Sec 2 Assessment Structure
 - Criteria for Promotion/Lateral Transfer
 - Further Queries

Key Considerations

Students are allocated to their Sec 3 subject combination based on the following:



Overall percentage
of all subjects at
Sec 2 and subject
eligibility criteria

Rank order –
1st choice will be
considered if
students' results
meet the subject
eligibility criteria



Key Considerations

For GCE ‘O’ and ‘NA’ Level, a minimum of 6 subjects is required.

For GCE ‘NT’ Level, a minimum of 5 subjects is required.

Note: Students who takes more than 6 subjects will have longer curriculum hours. Subjects offered are centred on the best interests of the student, progression pathways and availability of resources.



Secondary 3 Express Subject Eligibility Criteria

Subjects	Criteria (Based on Sec 2 <u>Overall</u> Results)
Additional Mathematics	A good pass* in Mathematics
Pure Sciences	A good pass* in Science
Social Studies + Literature	A good pass* in Literature and English Language

* A good pass in a subject depends on the overall performance of the cohort.



Secondary 3 Normal (Technical) Subject Allocation

Subject	Criteria (Based on Sec 2 <u>Overall</u> Results)
Elements of Business Skills (EBS)	A good pass* in English Language

* A good pass in a subject depends on the overall performance of the cohort.



Secondary 3 Express Combinations

Subj	C1	C2	C3	C4	C5	C6	C7	C8	C9	C10	C11	C12	C13	C14
1														
2														
3														
4	HUM (SS and elective <u>GEO or LIT</u> <u>or HIS</u>)	HUM (SS and elective <u>LIT or</u> <u>GEO</u>)	HUM (SS and elective <u>GEO or</u> <u>LIT or</u> <u>HIS</u>)	HUM (SS and elective <u>GEO or</u> <u>LIT or</u> <u>GEO</u>)						HUM (SS and elective <u>GEO or LIT or HIS*</u>)				
* Students choosing Elective HIS cannot select C6 and C11														
5	Physics	Physics	Biology	Biology										
6	Chemistry	Chemistry	Chemistry	Chemistry	AM	HIS	ART	DT	NFS	AM	HIS	ART	DT	NFS*
7	AM	HIS	AM	HIS										

*Note: Nutrition & Food Science (NFS) was formerly known as Food & Nutrition



Secondary 3 Normal (Academic) Combinations

				Combined Humanities	Combined Science	Elective
6 subjects	EL	MT	Math	Social Studies & Geography elective OR Social Studies & History elective	Physics & Chemistry OR Biology & Chemistry	Design & Technology OR Nutrition & Food Science* OR Art

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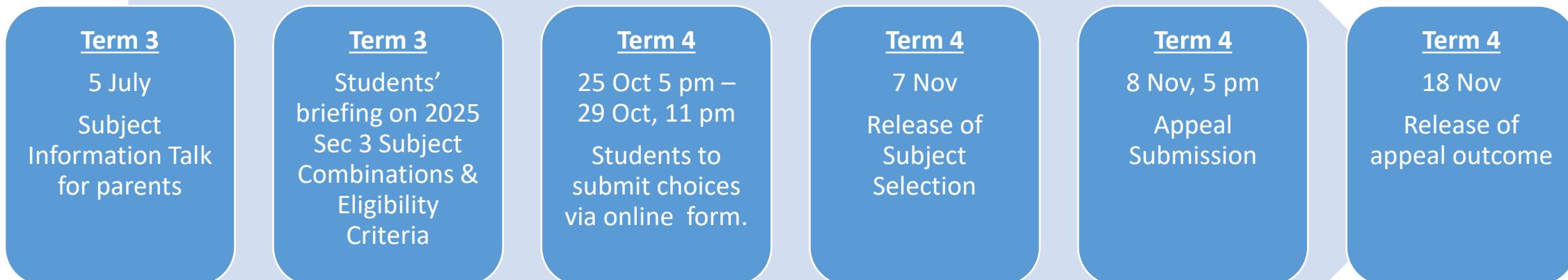


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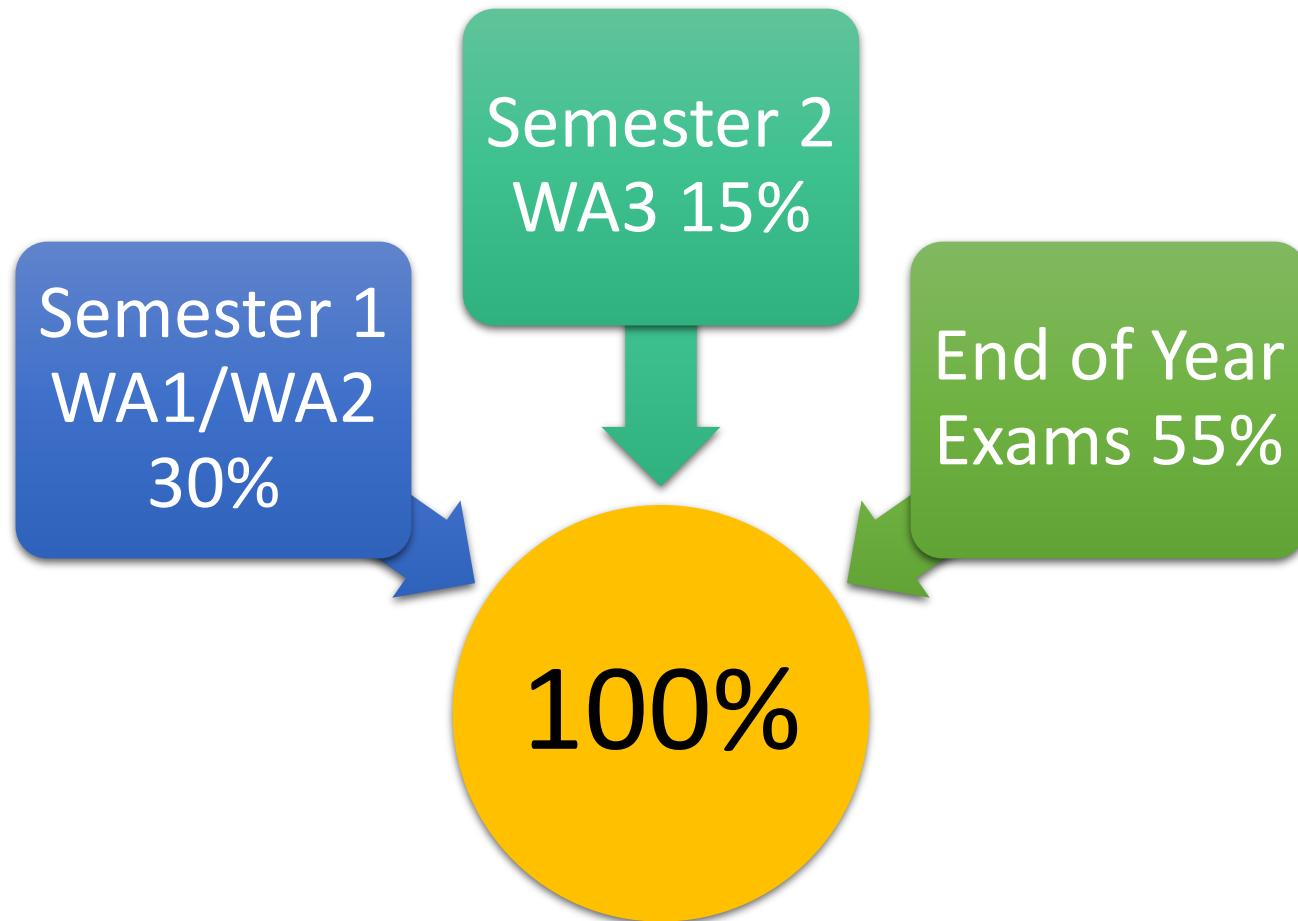
	•					Elective
6 subjects	EL	Basic MTL	Mathematics	Science	Computer Applications	NFS
						OR
						D&T
						OR
						Elements of Business Skills



Timeline for Subject Selection Exercise



Sec 2 Assessment Structure



Sec 2 Promotion Criteria

Express

- Pass in EL and 50% in average of all subjects.

Normal Academic

- Pass in EL & 2 other subjects or pass in any 4 subjects

Normal Technical

- Pass in EL or Maths and 1 other subject



Criteria for Lateral Transfer

2024 Sec 2 NA may laterally transfer to 2025 Sec 3 Exp

- Pass in all subjects
- At least 70% in 2 of the following subjects (EL, Maths, Science) taken at NA Level
- Minimum 70% in average of all subjects.

2024 Sec 2 NT may laterally transfer to 2025 Sec 2 NA

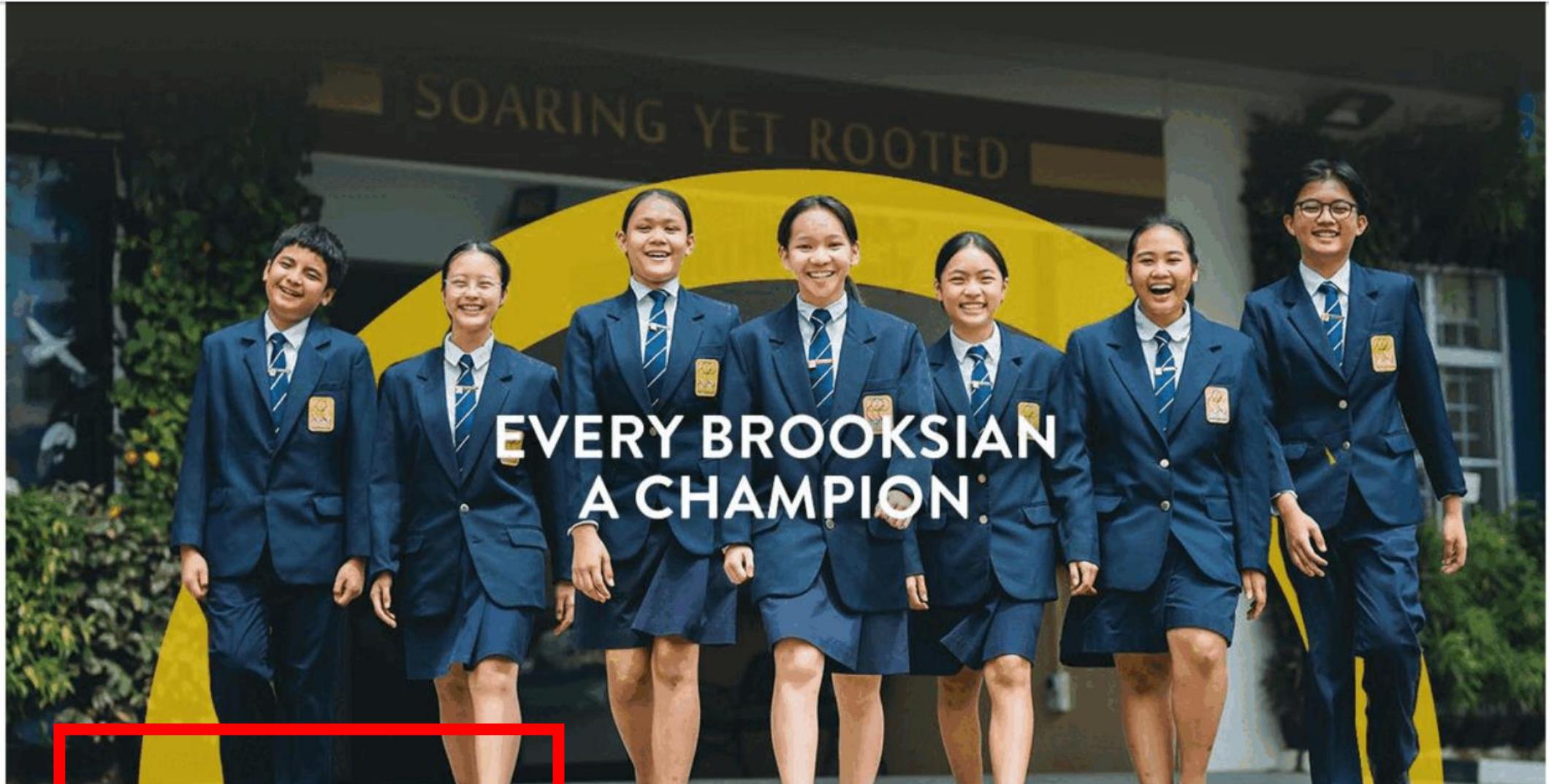
- Pass in all subjects
- At least 70% in 2 of the following subjects (EL, Maths, Science) taken at NT Level
- Minimum 70% in average of all subjects.



Subject Information and Subject Combinations

- To help students and parents make more informed decisions, information on the different Sec 3 subjects (Humanities, Sciences and Coursework) is also made available via the School Website.





NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

ACHIEVEMENTS

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