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# APPLICATION FOR ART ELECTIVE PROGRAMME (AEP) CENTRE (2022)

### INFORMATION SHEET FOR APPLICANTS

### INTRODUCTION

1 Secondary 1 students from schools that do not offer the Art Elective Programme (AEP) or Enhanced Art Programme (EAP) can apply for the <u>centre-based AEP</u> at National Junior College (NJC) as an external student. Express, Normal (Academic) and Normal (Technical) students may apply. The application window for the 2022 intake will be open from 4 to 17 January 2022.

### **AEP CURRICULUM**

- 2 The <u>AEP</u> provides opportunities for students with artistic potential, abilities and passion to pursue a deeper and more comprehensive study of art. The AEP curriculum aims to develop students in their creativity, conceptual thinking and analytical thinking, and thereby develop them as practitioners, scholars, advocates and leaders in art. The extended and balanced Art curriculum covers both studio practice and art criticism, emphasising the engagement of a range of materials, media and creative processes. AEP students can expect access to specialised studio facilities, equipment and resources. They will receive enrichment opportunities to learn with like-minded peers from across the AEP schools, arts industry professionals and higher education students and staff.
- 3 At the end of the 4-year programme, AEP students sit for the GCE O-Level Higher Art examination. For more information on how Higher Art grade may be computed for admission to post-secondary institutions, please click on this link.
- In light of the required commitment to the programme, AEP students may take AEP in place of lower secondary Design & Technology (D&T) and Food & Consumer Education (FCE) lessons to manage their curriculum time and learning load. At the Upper Secondary level, they will hence not be eligible to offer D&T and Food and Nutrition (F&N).
- AEP Centre students attend lessons weekly at NJC, starting from Term 2 Week 1 for the 2022 cohort. They will attend these lessons in lieu of Lower Secondary Art lessons at their own schools. The Centre takes in students of both genders.

| Centre                  | Address           | Lesson days & timings for 2022 Secondary 1 cohort |           |
|-------------------------|-------------------|---|-----------|
|                         |                   | Lower Sec   | Upper Sec |
| National Junior College | 37 Hillcrest Road | Tuesdays  | Thursdays |
|                         | S288913           | 3 – 6 pm  | 3 – 6 pm  |

6 Upon enrolment, the AEP becomes part of the formal curriculum of the AEP Centre student. Prior to application, interested students and their parents are strongly encouraged to work closely with the students' secondary schools to ensure that their school timetable and commitments would allow them to participate fully in the AEP. Students who are selected and admitted into the secondary-level AEP are expected to commit to the programme for 4 years. Withdrawal from the AEP is strictly subject to the approval of MOE Arts Education Branch.

#### **HOW TO APPLY**

7 Key application dates are summarised in the table below. Please note that the dates reflected may change in accordance with COVID-19 Safe Management Measures. Applicants are advised to check the AEP page on MOE website for the latest updates on the selection exercise. Late applications will not be accepted.

| Dates<br>(2022)                                | AEP Selection Exercise Events  | For more information, please visit: |
|--|--|-------------------------------------|
| 4 – 17 Jan                                     | Phase 1: Online application window (Includes submission of student's e-portfolio)  | Online application form             |
| 17 Jan   | Deadline to submit online application form including e-portfolio   | How to Join AEP                     |
| 16 – 25 Feb  [for shortlisted applicants only] | Phase 2: e-Interview (via Zoom) held in the applicant's own secondary school  Students will be expected to share their ideas and art making experiences, with reference to their e-portfolios, with the interview panel. They may also be invited to participate in a short art task during the interview. Materials will be provided for this task, with no preparation needed. |                                     |
| 19 Feb   | Briefing for shortlisted applicants and their parents (via Zoom)   | NA                                  |
| By 4 Mar                                       | Receive final selection result via applicant's own secondary school  |                                     |
| From 21 Mar<br>(Term 2<br>Week 1)              | Commencement of programme at AEP Centre  |                                     |

#### PHASE 1 SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

8 Full requirements for the e-portfolio submissions are detailed in the table below.

## E-portfolio

# Specifications:

- Choose only 3 to 5 original works to submit.
- Compile works into a simple document using basic computing software, e.g. slides using MS Powerpoint, or pages using MS Word.
- Indicate titles for all works submitted.
- Include 1-2 paragraphs of no more than 60 words explaining what art making and enrolling in the AEP means personally to the applicant. (Parents are strongly encouraged to allow their child to fulfil this requirement independently.)

## Selection of works:

- Should reflect interests, experiences and artistic abilities and qualities.
- · Can include 2D, 3D and time-based works.
- Can include work-in-progress or documentation of processes.
- Can include works done in Primary school Art lessons and CCA.
- Should be works completed in the last 2 years.

#### Submission:

- Upload to Google Drive and provide the file sharing link on the online application form (see para.7)
- Ensure file-sharing permissions are set as 'Public' or 'Anyone with the link'



- File size limit: maximum 20MB
- To manage file size, videos should not be inserted directly onto the e-portfolio document. Instead, students can upload them online separately and provide the weblink for viewing/downloading.
- Acceptable file formats: .pptx, .pdf, .docx
- File name: school name applicant's full name
- 9 For more information about the AEP, visit the AEP page on the MOE website: <a href="https://www.moe.gov.sg/aep">https://www.moe.gov.sg/aep</a>. For FAQs about the AEP, click <a href="https://www.moe.gov.sg/aep">https://www.moe.gov.sg/aep</a>.
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