

## **COVID-19 PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES AND INSTRUCTIONS TO SCHOOL CANDIDATES FOR 2020 PRIMARY SCHOOL LEAVING EXAMINATION**

**(For PSLE Oral Examination to be conducted on 13 and 14 August 2020)**

1. Please read the **Instructions for School Candidates** which are found on the SEAB website [www.seab.gov.sg](http://www.seab.gov.sg) before your first paper.
2. As your safety and well-being are our priority, safe management measures are put in place. If you are on Home Quarantine Order, Stay-Home Notice, Leave of Absence or medical leave, do not report for examination. Please inform your teacher and stay at home. **For those on Approved Absence, you will be allowed to sit for the examination in separate rooms. Please inform your teacher that you are on Approved Absence.**

### *On The Day Of Your Oral Examination*

3. Check your temperature and health. If you are not well, e.g. having a fever (38°C and above), exhibiting flu-like symptoms, do not report for the examination. **Please note that candidates who are unwell or with fever or flu-like symptoms, regardless if the symptoms were due to COVID-19 virus, would not be permitted to enter the examination venues.** Inform your teacher that you are unwell and see a doctor. Your teacher will follow up with SEAB.
4. Arrive at your examination centre at least 45 minutes before the start of your paper.
5. Follow the procedures that are implemented by the examination centre, such as temperature taking, before you enter the examination venue. It is mandatory that you follow the procedures as only those who have completed the procedures are allowed to enter.
6. You will wear your face mask or face shield into the examination venues. During attendance taking, you may be asked to remove your mask for a short while to verify your identity. You will remove your face mask or face shield at the reading aloud and oral interaction segments during the Oral Examination. This is to minimise any impediment to the clarity of your oration during the examination.
7. As added precautions, a desk shield will be placed between you and the Oral Examiners and you will sit 1.5m away from the Oral Examiners. Oral Examiners will wear face shields and/or face masks during the Oral Examination. You may raise your hand and inform the Oral Examiners, if you are not able to hear the Oral Examiners clearly.

8. You will be informed by the Oral Examiner when to remove your face mask or face shield. After the Oral Examination, please put on your face mask or face shield before you leave the Oral Exam Station. You are to wear your face mask or face shield at all other areas including the holding/quarantine rooms and Silent Preparation Station.
9. At the end of the Oral Examination, the OEs will instruct you to:
  - wear your face mask;
  - wipe down the high-touch surfaces such as candidate's table, oral folder (for non e-Oral), mouse and desk shield (for e-Oral);
  - sanitise your hands before leaving the Oral Exam Station.

Waste bins will be placed nearby for you to discard the papers towels after the wipe down.

10. For the e-Oral Examination, you are not required to key your User ID and password in the e-Oral System. The Examination Personnel will help you to do this. In addition, no headphones would be provided for this year's Oral Examination. The audio for the video stimulus will be played directly from the laptop. Please alert the Examination Personnel if you encounter any audio issues. These measures are put in place as part of the precautionary measures due to the Covid-19 situation to safeguard the safety of all persons.
11. Always maintain at least 1m from other candidates or persons as part of the safe-distancing measure.
12. Do not talk to one another, gather in groups or crowd around any designated area or toilet. You will be dismissed from the examination/quarantine venue in smaller groups and at staggered intervals.
13. If you are unwell during the examination, please inform an Examination Personnel immediately. You will be accompanied by an Examination Personnel to a separate room. Your Principal or Vice-Principal will assess your condition and will decide on appropriate measures such as making arrangements for you to see a doctor or to send you home. They will follow up with SEAB.
14. In the event of a major disruption such as a major train service disruption or heavy rain, you should still make your way to your examination centre. You will be allowed to sit for the Oral Examination if you reach the examination centre within 30 mins after the start of the Oral Examination. If you are unable to reach your examination centre within 30 mins after the start of the Oral Examination, you will need to contact your school.

#### Key Precautionary Measures Taken by Schools

Your school has implemented precautionary measures to protect your safety and well-being. These include:

15. Mandatory temperature checking and health/travel declaration will be carried out for all Examination Personnel.

16. Oral Examiners will wear face shields and/or face masks during the Oral Examination. Other Examination Personnel will wear face masks at all times.
17. **Oral Examiners will sit at least 1.5m from candidates** during the Oral Examination.
18. **Set up a clear acrylic desk shield between the candidate and the Oral Examiners** during the Oral Examination.
19. Arrange candidates to be seated at least 1m apart (front and back, side to side) in the holding and quarantine areas.
20. Clean and disinfect examination venues and common facilities before and after each examination session. Clean and disinfect common shared items before the start of the Silent Preparation and Oral Examination for each candidate. Hand sanitisers are also available at the examination venue for use.

**SEAB will continue to monitor the situation and update schools if there are any changes to the precautionary measures.** With the evolving COVID-19 situation, you must also observe and comply with any additional instructions and procedures that SEAB may announce nearer to the examination dates. You may check with your school for updates of the instructions and procedures.

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