# YISHUN TOWN SECONDARY SCHOOL DIRECT SCHOOL ADMISSION 2023 INFORMATION

## Important Information

Parents and students are encouraged to choose schools wisely based on the students' aptitudes and strengths, bearing in mind the schools' academic and non-academic requirements, and the programmes available to develop the area of talent.

Students who are successfully admitted to the school via DSA are expected to honour their commitment to the school, and participate in the activities related to the talent they are selected for throughout their course of study in YTSS.

Parents may refer to the selection guidelines stated below in the DSA application. **However, meeting** all the criteria does not guarantee the student will be shortlisted/given an offer.

Application for DSA-Sec can be submitted through the online DSA-Sec Portal. The application is free of charge and will be open from 4 May 2023, 11am to 31<sup>st</sup> May 2023, 3pm.(tentative) For more details, please refer to MOE website- www.moe.gov.sq/dsa-sec

### **Talent Categories**

- YTSS welcomes prospective students who demonstrate talent, passion and ability in our various talent categories. Successful applicants will join YTSS in January 2024. Generally, students who are keen to apply should possess strong level of motivation and commitment to the talent areas, and in other curricular and co-curricular activities offered by the school. While achievement level and mastery in their chosen area is key, we are also scouting for students who display strong potential in their areas of choice. Our DSA talents should also have the mind-set and learning disposition to cope well with other aspects of school life in YTSS.
- All shortlisted applications will be informed to attend (i) a technical trial in the specific talent area; and (ii) and an interview. The details of the technical trial will be specific to the talent area and made known to shortlisted candidates subsequently.
- Students admitted into Yishun Town Secondary School via DSA will have the opportunity to be trained and guided by professional coaches, instructors and experienced CCA Teachers incharge. Nurturing each individual's talent area, the school seeks to provide every DSA student with quality programmes, activities and opportunities to represent the school in competitions or public performances at various platforms. Besides development in their talent area, a teacher mentor will also be assigned to guide each DSA student, providing them with the necessary supervision in their academic performance. Hence, every DSA student will be able to excel in their endeavours in YTSS.

1. Category/ Criteria and Selection		
Sports and Games	Volleyball (Girls)	
	Basketball (Girls & Boys)	
	Shooting (Boys & Girls)	
	Table Tennis (Boys & Girls)	
	Bowling (Boys & Girls)	

- 1. Sportsmen/women who are passionate, motivated and demonstrate a strong desire to excel in the sport arena.
- 2. Representation in school, Singapore Schools, National Sports Association or Singapore in National Inter-School Sports & Games, Regional or International Sports & Games is preferred.
- 3. Representation in school in Zonal Sports & Games or JSA participation is preferred.
- 4. Representation in any sports club in related event will be considered.

## **Performing Arts**

#### **English Drama**

- 1. Talented youth with strong passion, motivation and demonstrate a strong desire to excel in performing arts;
- 2. Participation in SYF is preferred.
- 3. Stage experience with relevant achievements and experiences are considered.

#### **Performing Arts**

#### Chinese Dance

- 1. Talented youth with strong passion, motivation and demonstrate a strong desire to excel in performing arts, and with training in dance.
- 2. Participation in SYF is preferred.
- 3. Relevant stage experience with achievements and experiences are considered.

## Visual Arts, Design and Media Visual Arts

- 1. Talented youth with strong passion, motivation and demonstrate a strong desire to excel in visual arts, in particular art skills such as painting, batik painting, calligraphy, printmaking, pottery (ceramics) and other art forms (e.g. Digital Art, Sculpture)
- 2. Experience in volunteering in Art Events such as PassionArts, Singapore Night Festival or other similar events are preferred.
- 3. Member of any art-related clubs (e.g. CCA Art Club) are considered.
- 4. ONLY Shortlisted applicant will have to submit a portfolio of 5 artworks with 50 –words description for each work and a one minute video presentation on one of the artworks. (more details will be provided duly)

## Leadership and Uniformed<br/>GroupsBoys' Brigade

1. Minimum 2 years of experience in a leadership position in respective CCA or Student organization, preferably from the Uniformed Groups CCA/Prefectorial Board/Student Councilor.

Relevant achievement and experiences in the field of leadership are considered.

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- 1. Has strong grasp of the written and spoken language.
- 2. Demonstrate high competency and interest in language use, i.e. finesse with complexity in the spoken and written form.
- 3. Relevant achievements and experiences are considered.

2. DSA-Sec selection work-flow and Key Dates		
S/N	Key Date & Time Frame	Activity
1	18 <sup>th</sup> April	All CCA information on the school website will be updated.
		Generic DSA-Sec criteria for each talent area offered can be
		found on school website. For more information on DSA-
		Sec, please refer to MOE website at
		https://moe.gov.sg/dsa-sec
2	4 <sup>th</sup> May 9am – 31 <sup>st</sup> May 3pm	Application Period
3	31 <sup>st</sup> May	Close of DSA-application
4	15 <sup>th</sup> June – 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Download of application
5	26 <sup>th</sup> June – 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Only Shortlisted applicants will be informed to attend an
		interview and/or selection trials/ auditions / tests.
		Unsuccessful applicants will be informed via email
6	26 <sup>th</sup> June – 31 <sup>st</sup> Aug	Conduct of DSA Selection Sessions and Interview (in person
		at Yishun Town Secondary School).
7	By 12 <sup>th</sup> Sep	All shortlisted applicants will be informed of the results of
		DSA Selection Session by post or email