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EDB continues to provide support in wake of No. 5 alarm fire in Tai Po

Regarding the No. 5 alarm fire at Wang Fuk Court in Tai Po yesterday (November 26), the Education Bureau (EDB) today (November 27) continued to make all-out efforts to provide appropriate support for various stakeholders.

An EDB spokesman said that, as affected by the fire and obstructed traffic due to nearby road blockages, the following five schools will remain suspended tomorrow (November 28): CCC Fung Leung Kit Memorial Secondary School, Tai Po Baptist Public School, S.K.H. Yuen Chen Maun Chen Primary School, H.K. & Kowloon Kaifong Women's Association Sun Fong Chung College and Po Leung Kuk Lau Chun Kindergarten. For class suspension arrangements, parents are advised to pay attention to the latest announcements of the EDB and schools.

Regarding Primary One Discretionary Places, relevant schools have successfully contacted all affected parents today and made special arrangements for their children's registration procedures.

To assist schools in supporting students in need, the EDB has prepared a crisis management resource kit tailored for the fire incident, which includes counseling suggestions for schools and parents, special class period materials, and Q&As to help teachers and parents assist students in coping with the incident. This resource kit is available on the EDB's "School Crisis Management" webpage (www.edb.gov.hk/en/teacher/crisis-management/about-crisis-management/index.html).

Furthermore, the EDB has contacted the counsellors of the "Teachers' Helpline" (Tel: 8100 3361) for stepping up their telephone counselling and support for affected teachers and principals.

Educational psychologists and officers of the Tai Po District School Development Section of the EDB will maintain close contact with the schools and continue to provide them with necessary assistance.

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