

# Subject Combination Briefing (Secondary 2E)

Thur, 9 Feb 2023

**Home Tutor Interaction** 

# TERM 1 & 2 CLASS ACTIVITIES & SCHOOL EVENTS

Crestian Learning Day	10 Feb, 24 Feb, 31 Mar, 26 May, 18 Aug & 13 Oct	
Term 1 Class Test	13 Feb – 23 Feb	
<b>Cheering Competition</b>	10 Mar	
Level Camp, Day camp	22 – 24 Mar	
Cross Country	28 April	
<b>Experiential Learning Day</b>	22 to 24 May	
Sec 1 – 3 PTM	26 May	

## **Overview**

- 1. Subjects Offered for Sec 3 (2023)
- Polytechnic Early Admissions Exercise (POLY-EAE)
- 3. Direct School Admissions Exercise-JC (DSA-JC)
- 4. Partnering Parents



## **COMPULSORY SUBJECTS (EXPRESS)**

	No	Cubicot	Chaicea	
	No.	Subject	Choices	
	1.	ENGLISH (EL)		
	2.	MOTHER TONGUE LANGUAGES (MTL)	(unless officially exempted)	
/	3.	MATHEMATICS		
	4.	HUMANITIES	Social Studies & Elective History OR Social Studies & Elective Geography OR Social Studies & Elective Literature	
	5.	SCIENCE	Pure Science OR Combined Science	

## Subjects Offered for Sec 3E (2023) (7 Subjects)

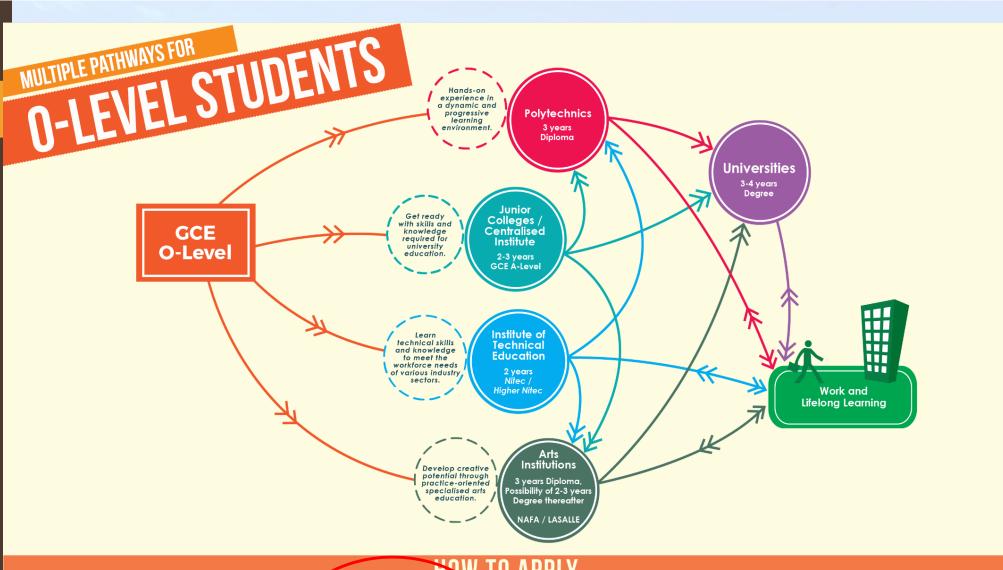
Compulsory	English	<b>/</b>
Subjects (CS)	Mother Tongue	<b>✓</b>
	Mathematics	<b>/</b>
Science	Science (Chemistry/Physics)	
Choose 1	Science (Chemistry/Biology)	
Humanities	Social Studies & Elective Geography	
Choose 1	Social Studies & Elective History	
	Social Studies & Elective Literature	
Others	Design & Technology	
OT1 Choose 1	Art	
Choose 1	Food & Nutrition	
	Music	
Others	Literature	
OT2 Choose 1	History	
Choose 1	A.Maths	

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English	<b>✓</b>
Mother Tongue	<b>V</b>
Mathematics	<b>V</b>
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s Chemistry, Physics	
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Social Studies & Elective Literature	
Biology	
Literature	
Geography	
	Mother Tongue  Mathematics  A. Maths  Chemistry, Physics  Chemistry, Biology  Social Studies & Elective Geography  Social Studies & Elective History  Social Studies & Elective Literature  Biology  Literature

# Criteria for Subject Selection (Express)

Subject	Criteria
Additional Mathematics	65% or better for Mathematics at Sec 2, ≥50% percentile considered
Pure Chemistry Pure Biology and/or Pure Physics	65% or better for Science at Sec 2, ≥50% percentile considered
Music	All interested applicants will have to go through a selection test and a practical audition.



#### JUNIOR COLLEGES/CENTRALISED INSITITUTE

- \* Joint Admissions Exercise (JAE)
- \* Direct School Admission-JC (DSA-JC) Exercise

#### **POLYTECHNICS**

- \* Joint Admissions Exercise (JAE)
- \* EarlyAdmissions Exercise (EAE)
- \* Direct Admissions Exercise (DAE)

#### INSTITUTE OF TECHNICAL EDUCATION

- \* Joint Intake Exercise (JIE) for Nitec courses
- \* Joint Admissions Exercise (JAE) for Higher Nitec courses
- \* Special College Admissions Scheme (SCAS)

#### ARTS INSTITUTIONS

- \* The Arts Institutions are the Nanyang Academy of Fine Arts (NAFA) and the LASALLE College of the Arts (LASALLE)
- \* Apply directly to the Arts Institutions
- \* Admissions information is available on the NAFA and LASALLE websites



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## Polytechnics Early Admissions Exercise (Poly EAE)

- an aptitude-based admissions exercise.
- conditional offers for admission to polytechnics prior to receiving students' O-Level examination results.
- greater flexibility to select and admit students based on their aptitudes and interests, apart from academic grades
- where relevant, the Polytechnics may also take into account students' talent and achievements in sports, arts, leadership, entrepreneurship and community service

## Polytechnics Early Admissions Exercise (Poly EAE)

#### **Student Selection**

- Polytechnics will have the discretion to determine their modes of assessment, such as:
  - portfolios, interviews and aptitude tests, where relevant and appropriate
  - participation in relevant co-curricular activities (CCAs), Applied Learning Programmes (ALP) and Applied Subjects,
  - as well as participation in activities such as work attachments and sustained involvement in projects that are related to the course students are applying for.

## Polytechnics Early Admissions Exercise (Poly EAE)

### **Entry Requirements**

#### O Level results: ELR2B2 score of 26 points or better

**English Lanuguage** 

1st Relevant subject:

**Mathematics** 

2<sup>nd</sup> Relevant subject:

Science/D&T/F&N/Humanities/MT

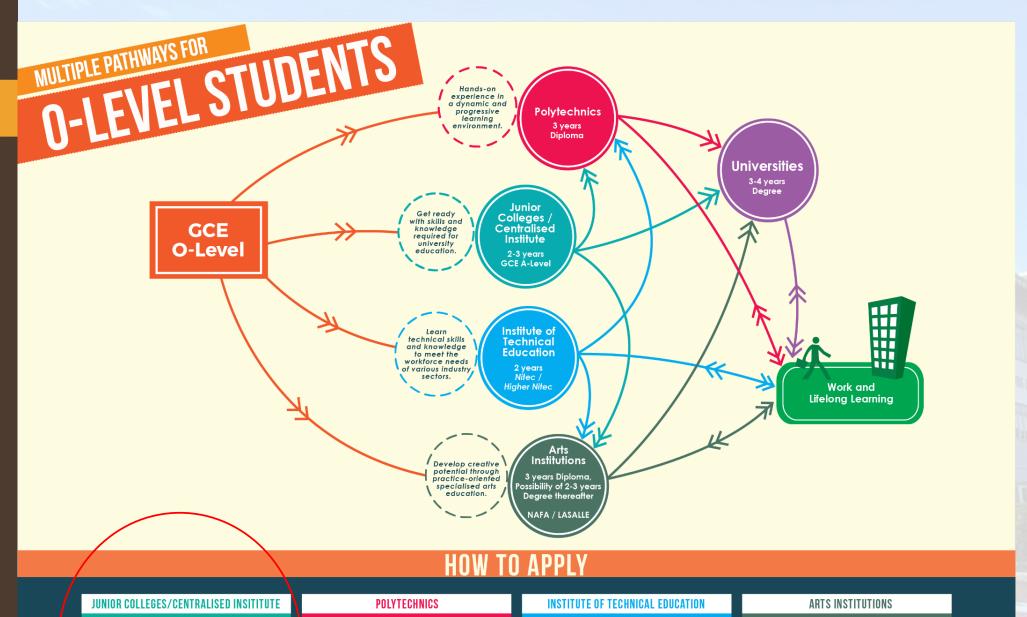
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#### **REMARKS**

Considerations for PRCS students would be:

 Almost all polytechnic courses requires Mathematics to be the relevant subject.



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## **Direct School Admission (DSA-JC)**

- allows students to seek admission to a junior college (JC) on the basis of talent in sports, CCAs and specific academic areas that may not be demonstrated at the O-Level examinations.
- enables students to enter suitable academic and non-academic programmes in junior colleges that can develop the students in these areas.

## **Direct School Admission (DSA-JC)**

#### **Selection Process**

- The selection process differs across schools, and for different DSA categories.
- Depending on the DSA area applied to, student may be asked to submit any of the following:
  - A portfolio showcasing talents and achievements.
  - Secondary school results.
  - CCA records.
  - A personal statement.
  - A character reference.

# Direct School Admission (DSA-JC) – JC admission eligibility

1. Have a gross L1R5 aggregate score of 20 and below.

I	Subject	REMARKS
	L1: English/ Higher Mother Tongue	Considerations for
	R1: Humanities/ Higher Art/ Higher Music/ Malay (Special Programme)/ Chinese (Special Programme)/ Bahasa Indonesia	PRCS students would be:
	R2: Mathematics/ Science	<ul><li>EL / HMT</li><li>Math</li><li>Sciences</li><li>Humanities</li><li>Any other best</li></ul>
	R3: Humanities/ Higher Art/ Higher Music/ Mathematics/ Science/ Malay (Special Programme)/ Chinese (Special Programme)/ Bahasa Indonesia	
	R4: Any GCE O-Level subjects (except Religious Knowledge)	subjects
	R5: Any GCE O-Level subjects (except Religious Knowledge)	

# Direct School Admission (DSA-JC) – JC admission eligibility

#### 2. Meet the following subject requirements.

Subject	Grade
English Language	1-6
Mathematics (Elementary/Additional)	1-7
Mother Tongue Language (MTL), such as CL, ML or TL <b>or</b> MTL-in-lieu such as Bengali, Gujarati, Hindi, Punjabi, Urdu, French, German, Japanese, Arabic, Burmese, Thai.	<ul> <li>•1-7</li> <li>•1-8 for Higher MTL*</li> <li>•Merit or Pass for 'B' Syllabus*</li> <li>*Note: There is no Higher level or 'B' Syllabus for MTL-in-lieu.</li> </ul>

#### **Conclusion**

- What does this mean?
- Importance of identifying one's strength and interests
- Doing research of the Polytechnic/JC courses available and their admission requirements
- Early preparation for portfolio/CCA records to be shown during interview (EAE/DSA-JC)
- Close monitoring of your child's attendance and ensuring good behaviour
- Take charge now in Secondary 2 by selecting the right subjects

## **Partnering Parents**

#### **Monitor**

- your child's homework and academic progress
- your child's time on the mobile phone, Internet, TV and online activity
- your child's attendance, by ensuring your child show up in school and are only supported with MCs if they are unwell. Excuse letters are only permissible due to special cases (eg: death, family-related issue). Maximum three letters per semester.



#### **Understand**

- the various choices, not just one choice
- your child's interest and qualifying criteria for post secondary education
- your child has to commit to the choice and no changes will be allowed in Sec 3

