

Subject Combination Briefing (Secondary 2NA)

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Home Tutor Interaction

TERM 1 & 2 CLASS ACTIVITIES & SCHOOL EVENTS

10 Feb, 24 Feb, 31 Mar, 26 May, 18 Aug & 13 Oct
13 Feb – 23 Feb
10 Mar
22 – 24 Mar
28 April
22 to 24 May
26 May

Overview

 Subjects Offered for Sec 3 (2023)
 O-Level pathway
 Direct Entry Scheme to Polytechnic Programme (DPP)
 Polytechnic Foundation Programme (PFP)

Subject Combination

Compulsory Subjects (Normal Academic)

No.	Subject	Choices
1.	ENGLISH	
2.	MOTHER TONGUE	(COMPULSORY unless officially exempted)
3.	MATHEMATICS	
4.	HUMANITIES	Social Studies & Elective History <u>OR</u> Social Studies & Elective Geography
5.	SCIENCE	Chemistry & Physics <u>OR</u> Chemistry & Biology

Subjects Offered for Sec 3 (2023) Normal (Academic) (7 Subjects)

Compulsory	English	v
Subjects	Mother Tongue	~
CS	Mathematics	v
Science	Science (Chemistry/Physics)	
Choose 1	Science (Chemistry/Biology)	
Humanities	Social Studies & Elective Geography	
Choose 1	Social Studies & Elective History	
Others	Design & Technology	
OT1 Choose 1	Art	
	Food & Nutrition	
Others	Literature	
OT2 Choose 1	Additional Mathematics with O Level Math*	
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Others	O Level English*	
OT3 (Optional)	(*Only one O level Subject)	

Out of Stream (Considerations)

Subject Examples:

- O level Math or O level English Language (EL)
- These students are offered 8 subjects.

In PRCS:

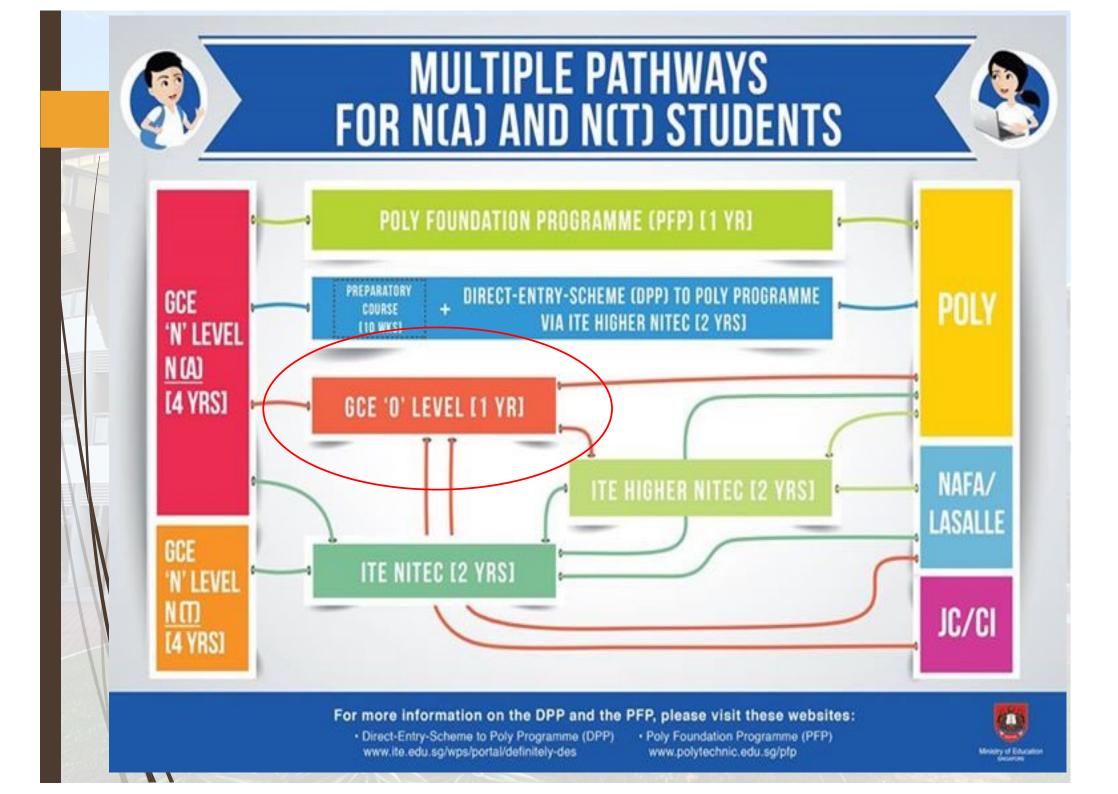
Students who take O level Math will take N level Additional Math concurrently

Depends on:

- . Student demand
- 2. Availability of resources

Criteria for Subject Selection for N(A)

Subject	Criteria
O-Level Mathematics +	
N-Level Additional	70% or better for
Mathematics	Mathematics at Sec 2
+	
N-Level Mathematics	
O-Level EL + N-Level EL	70% or better for EL at Sec 2



O Level Pathway

- Continue secondary education in Secondary 5
- Sit for a more challenging national exam with the Secondary 4E cohort
- Intent should be graduating towards postsecondary education in:
 - 1. Junior College (2 years)
 - 2. Polytechnic (3 years)

O Level – JC admission eligibility

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

Subject L1: English/ Higher Mother Tongue R1: Humanities/ Higher Art/ Higher Music/ Malay

(Special Programme)/ Chinese (Special Programme)/ Bahasa Indonesia

R2: Mathematics/ Science

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)

R5: Any GCE O-Level subjects (except Religious Knowledge)

Considerations for PRCS students would be:

REMARKS

- EL/HMT
- Math
- Sciences
- Humanities
- Any other best subjects

O Level – JC admission eligibility

2. Meet the following subject requirements.

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

O Level (Polytechnic)

Entry Requirements

<u>O Level results:</u> ELR2B2 score of 26 points or better

English Lanuguage

1st Relevant subject: **Mathematics**

2nd Relevant subject: Science/D&T/F&N/Humanities/MT

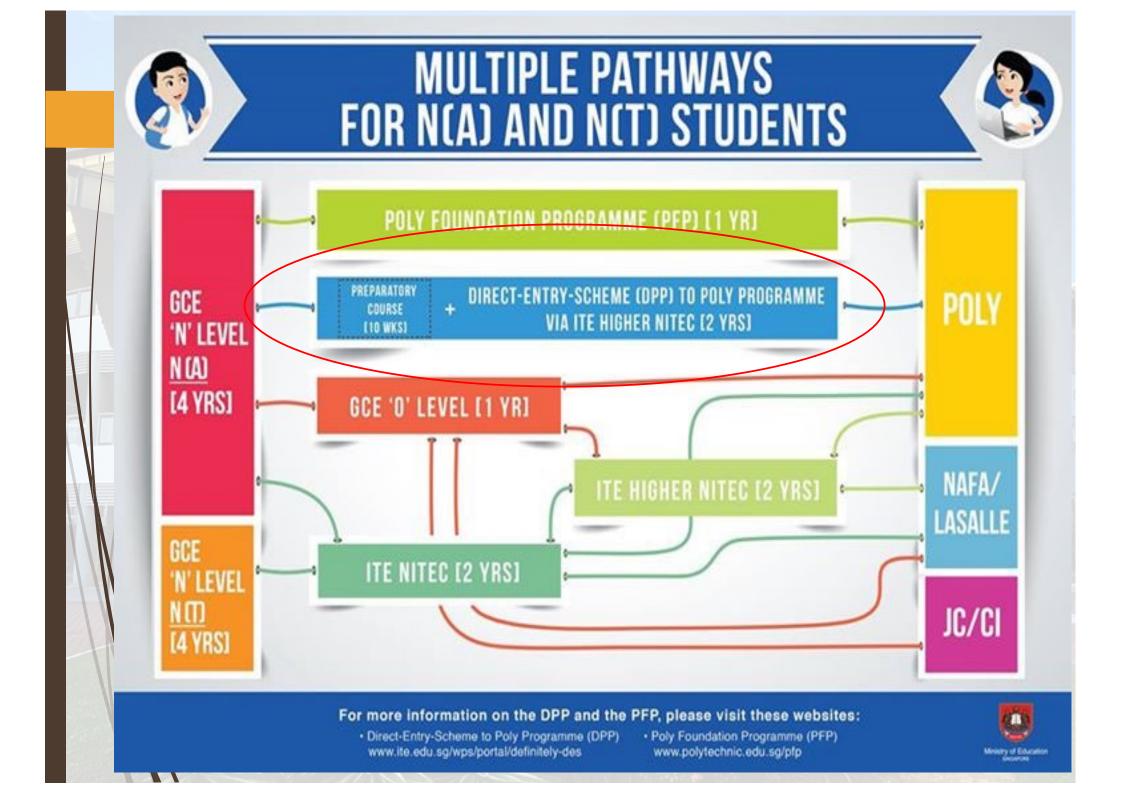
Any best subject

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REMARKS

Considerations for PRCS students would be:

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



Direct Entry Scheme to Polytechnic (DPP)

For students who have **performed well in the N-Level examination** and would like to benefit from a more hands-on preparation at ITE.

DPP enrols student in a 2-year *Higher Nitec* course at ITE and subsequently be assured of a place in a related polytechnic course, provided the qualifying Grade Point Average (GPA) score in the *Higher Nitec* course is achieved.

Direct Entry Scheme to Polytechnic (DPP)

Who can apply?

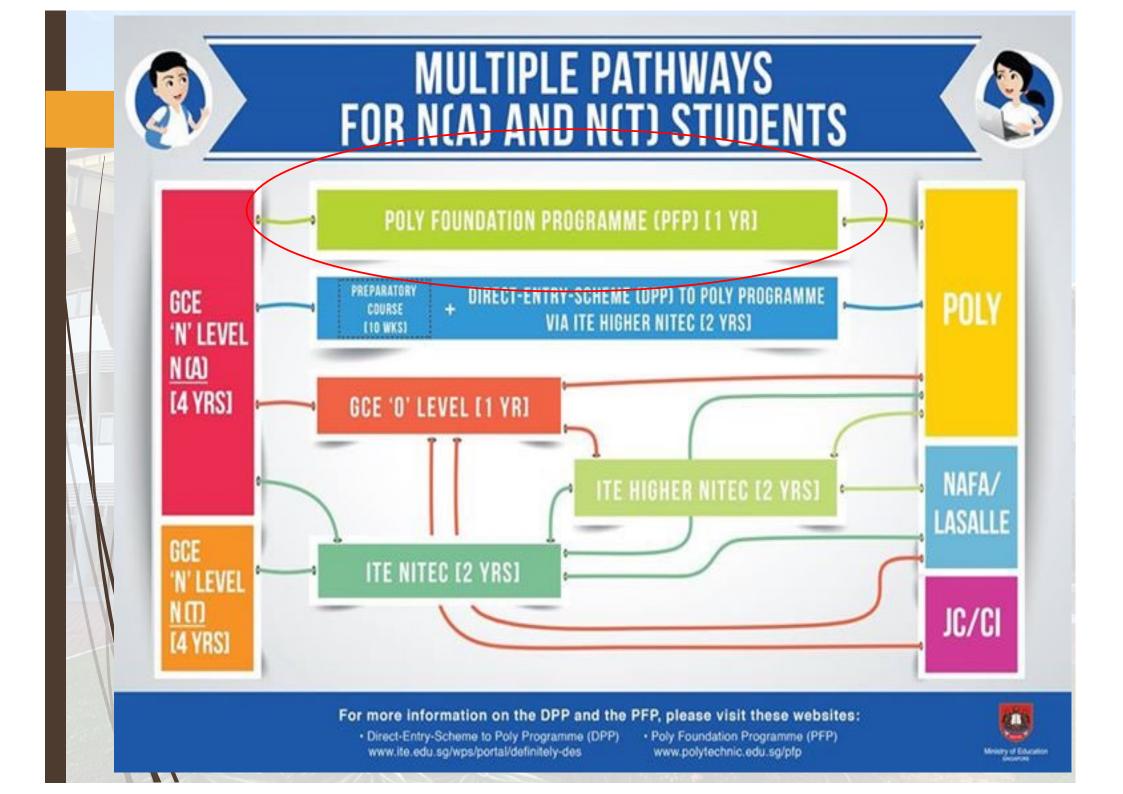
- Sec 4NA students at the GCE N Level examinations in 2024 will be considered for application to the DPP 2025 intake.
- Students can also combine their GCE NA results and school-based O-Level preliminary examination results to apply for the DPP.
- Successful applicants will enrol in ITE in January for a 10-week preparatory course, before joining the Higher Nitec course in April.

Direct Entry Scheme to Polytechnic (DPP)

Entry Requirements

 19 points or less for EL, Math and 3 other subjects (ELMAB3), excluding CCA points

	 For Higher Nitec Course in Applied Sciences Engineering Info-communications Technology 		For Higher Nited - Business and	
	Subject	Required Grades	Subject	Required Grades
N	EL	1 – 4	EL	1 – 3
	Math	1 – 4	Math	1 – 4
	Any 3 other subjects	1 – 5	Any 3 other subjects	1 – 5



- diploma-specific foundation programme
- to prepare well-performing Sec 4 N(A) students for progression into selected polytechnic diploma courses
- 2 academic semesters at the polytechnics
- an alternative to the Sec 5 year
- Students are given provisional places in diploma programmes if they pass all modules in the PFP.

- The PFP will have about 1,500 places set aside each year.
 - It will be offered by all five Polytechnics. More than 80% of Polytechnic Diploma courses will be offered under the PFP.

Who can apply?

- Sec 4NA students at the GCE NA Level examinations in 2024 will be considered for application to the PFP 2025 intake
 - Gross **ELMAB3** score of **12 points** or less, excluding CCA bonus points for the GCE N-Level examinations
- There will also be specific requirements based on your preferred courses

Specific Requirements

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	Group 1 Courses		Group 2 Courses	
	Subject	Min. Grades	Subject	Min. Grades
	EL	3		
			EL	2
	Math/ A Math	3	Math/ A Math	3
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	Any 2 other	3	of Accounts	
	subjects		Any 2 other subjects	3

The PFP is also available to Secondary 4 Normal (Academic) students who have sat for GCE 'O'-Level subjects..

The following GCE 'O'-Level Grade conversion matrix will be adopted during the computation of aggregates.

1
2
3

CONCLUSION (Normal Academic)

- What does this mean?
- Importance of identifying one's strength and interests
- Doing research of the Polytechnic and/or related DPP Higher Nitec courses available and their admission requirements
- Close monitoring of your child's attendance and ensuring good behaviour (records presented in interviews)
- 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.

Partnering Parents

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

Thank You!

We look forward to partnering you in educating your child