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RELEASE OF 2023 SINGAPORE-CAMBRIDGE GCE O-LEVEL EXAMINATION RESULTS AND 2024 JOINT ADMISSIONS EXERCISE

1. The results of the 2023 Singapore-Cambridge General Certificate of Education Ordinary Level (GCE O-Level) examination will be released on Thursday, 11 January 2024, 2.00pm.

Results Release for School Candidates

2. Arrangements have been made for school candidates to receive their results from their secondary schools from 2.00pm on Thursday, 11 January 2024. Details on the collection arrangements will be shared by the respective schools. School candidates who are unwell should seek medical attention and not return to school to collect their results.

3. School candidates who are unable to collect their results in person can also appoint a proxy to collect a physical copy of their results on their behalf from the school. Proxies are required to produce the relevant documents for the school's verification when collecting the results. School candidates may contact their schools for assistance if they are unable to appoint a proxy.

Results Release for Private Candidates

4. Private candidates who are eligible for Singpass can use their Singpass account to obtain their results online via SEAB's Candidates Portal from 2.45pm on Thursday, 11 January 2024. Private candidates who are not eligible for Singpass can view their results in the portal using the account that they have created during the registration.

Joint Admissions Exercise (JAE)

5. Students who wish to apply for admission to junior colleges (JC), Millennia Institute (MI), polytechnics, and the Institute of Technical Education (ITE) may do so via the Joint Admissions Exercise (JAE) using their GCE O-Level examination results.

6. Eligible school and private candidates will receive a digital copy of Form A¹ via their registered email addresses from 2.00pm on Thursday, 11 January 2024. All candidates eligible for JAE may also download a copy of Form A from the JAE-Internet System (JAE-IS) during the application period.

7. The JAE-IS will be accessible from 4.00pm on Thursday, 11 January 2024, to 4.00pm on Tuesday, 16 January 2024 for applicants to submit their course choices through the JAE website at www.moe.gov.sg/jae. Applicants are strongly encouraged to use the JAE worksheet (www.moe.gov.sg/jaeworksheet) before submitting their online application. The JAE-IS can be accessed using Singpass. Applicants can find more information on the following MOE websites:

- JAE website for more details on the JAE (www.moe.gov.sg/jae)
- SchoolFinder for details of the offerings by and previous entry score ranges for JCs and MI (www.moe.gov.sg/schoolfinder)
- CourseFinder for courses offered by the polytechnics and ITE, based on aggregate type and area of interest (www.moe.gov.sg/coursefinder)

Application Results

8. The posting results of the JAE application are scheduled for release on Thursday, 1 February 2024 through the following modes:

- a. Short Message Service (SMS) to the Singapore mobile phone number provided by the applicant during application
- b. JAE-IS, which is accessible through the JAE website

9. Applicants posted to JCs and MI are to report to their posted institutions on Friday, 2 February 2024. If students are unable to report to their posted JC or MI on the first day of school due to valid reasons, they should contact their posted school directly to confirm that they are taking up the place, and the school will reserve the place for them.

10. Applicants posted to polytechnics or ITE will receive an email or package via mail on the enrolment details by end-February 2024.

Direct School Admission (DSA) – JCs

11. Students who had accepted offers through the 2023 Direct School Admission – Junior Colleges² (DSA-JC) will be admitted to their chosen JC if they have met the eligibility criteria for admission based on their GCE O-Level examination results. Students admitted to a JC through DSA-JC will not be eligible to participate in the JAE.

12. Students who do not meet the JC admission criteria may take part in the JAE to apply for other courses which they are eligible for.

¹ Form A will list the applicant's gross aggregate scores for JC, MI, polytechnic, ITE aggregate types and courses which he/she is eligible to apply for under the JAE.

² More details on DSA-JC can be found at www.moe.gov.sg/dsa-jc

Early Admissions Exercise (EAE) – Polytechnics

13. Students who had earlier accepted conditional offers to a polytechnic course through the Polytechnic Early Admissions Exercise³ (EAE) in 2023 will have their offers confirmed and will not be eligible to participate in the JAE, if they meet the following criteria:

- a. A net ELR2B2⁴ score of 26 points or lower for the GCE O-Level examinations⁵; and
- b. Minimum Entry Requirements for the respective polytechnic courses.

14. Students who do not meet the above criteria may still apply for polytechnic admission via the JAE for courses which they are eligible for.

Early Admissions Exercise (EAE) – ITE

15. Students who had accepted conditional offers to an ITE course through the ITE EAE⁶ in 2023 and have their offers confirmed based on their GCE O-Level examination results will not be eligible to participate in the JAE. Their EAE offers are confirmed if they meet the subject-specific Minimum Entry Requirements for the course.

Progression Pathways for Secondary Four Normal (Academic) Students

16. Secondary 4 Normal (Academic) [N(A)] students who have sat for GCE O-Level subjects in 2023 can use their GCE O-Level results for these subjects to apply for a place in the Polytechnic Foundation Programme (PFP) and Direct-Entry-Scheme to Polytechnic Programme (DPP).

Polytechnic Foundation Programme (PFP)

17. The PFP is an alternative to the Secondary 5 N(A) year. It is a one-year foundation programme at the polytechnics that offers a practice-oriented approach to prepare students for entry into the relevant diploma courses.

18. Students are eligible to apply for the PFP if they obtain a raw ELMAB3 aggregate⁷ of 12 points or lower, and meet the subject-specific requirements for their chosen course. From the Academic Year (AY) 2024 intake, the minimum subject grades for the two 'Best' subjects will be relaxed from N(A)-Level Grade 3 to Grade 4.

³ More details on Polytechnic EAE can be found at <https://eae.polytechnic.edu.sg>

⁴ The ELR2B2 aggregate comprises English Language, 2 relevant subjects for the polytechnic course applied for and 2 other best subjects which could be elective subjects.

⁵ Except for Nursing courses, which require a net ELR2B2 aggregate of 28 points or lower. Applicants may combine results from no more than 2 sittings of the GCE O-Level examination.

⁶ More details on the ITE EAE can be found at <https://www.ite.edu.sg/admissions/full-time-courses/higher-nitec/eae/>

⁷ The raw ELMAB3 aggregate comprises English Language, Mathematics, and three other best subjects (including one relevant subject), and excludes CCA. CCA bonus points are taken into account during posting.

19. PFP-eligible students will receive a copy of Form P from their respective secondary schools in person. Each copy of Form P contains a unique password. Interested students should use the respective passwords to submit their applications online via the PFP website at <https://pfp.polytechnic.edu.sg/PFP/index.html>. More information on the eligibility requirements for the PFP, as well as how GCE O-Level results are considered in the computation of the ELMAB3 aggregate, can be found on the PFP website indicated above.

20. Applications for the PFP will be open from 2.00pm on Thursday, 11 January 2024, to 4.00pm on Tuesday, 16 January 2024. The PFP posting results will be released at 2.00pm on Tuesday, 23 January 2024 through the PFP website. Students will thereafter be required to indicate whether they wish to accept, reject, or appeal for a change of course by 4.00pm on Friday, 26 January 2024.

Direct-Entry-Scheme to Polytechnic Programme (DPP)

21. The DPP⁸ prepares students for progression into selected polytechnic diploma courses via a two-year *Higher Nitec* course at ITE. Students are eligible to apply if they obtain a raw ELMAB3 aggregate of 19 points or lower, and meet the subject-specific requirements for their chosen course.

22. Eligible Secondary 4 N(A) students may submit their DPP applications online via the DPP application portal at www.ite.edu.sg/apply-for-ite-courses. Applications for the DPP will open from 12.00am on Thursday, 11 January 2024, to 11.59pm on Tuesday, 16 January 2024.

23. The DPP posting results for applications made under the final application phase will be released at 9.00am on Thursday, 18 January 2024 through the DPP application portal. Students will be required to indicate whether they wish to accept or reject the DPP offer by 11.59pm on Monday, 22 January 2024.

For successful PFP and/or DPP applicants

24. Students who have been offered a place in the DPP under the final application phase should report to ITE on Monday, 22 January 2024 upon acceptance of their DPP course offer.

25. The last day of school for Secondary 5 students who have accepted a place in the PFP will be on Friday, 26 January 2024. Students will be informed by the respective polytechnics on the enrolment dates for the PFP.

26. Students who have accepted a place in the earlier application phase of the DPP in December but decide to take up a PFP offer now must withdraw from the DPP first before they are able to take up the PFP offer. DPP-enrolled students should check with their ITE class advisor for more details on the DPP withdrawal process and deadlines for withdrawal.

⁸ More information on the DPP and eligibility requirements can be found at www.ite.edu.sg/admissions/full-time-courses/higher-nitec-dpp/.

Education and Career Guidance (ECG) support

27. Students who would like guidance on their education pathways can approach their teachers or ECG Counsellors supporting their schools. Students can also refer to the following websites to find out more about the range of education and career pathways available to them:

- MOE's CourseFinder (<https://www.moe.gov.sg/coursefinder>)
- MySkillsFuture (<https://go.gov.sg/mysfsec>)

28. To complement the ECG support provided by schools, students can make an ECG counselling appointment via the ECG Centre at MOE (Grange Road) at <https://go.gov.sg/moe-ecg-centre>. The MOE ECG Centre will offer online or phone counselling from Thursday, 4 January 2024 to Thursday, 18 January 2024, (Weekdays: 9.00am to 5.00pm; Saturdays: 9.00am to 12.00pm).
