

Education Bureau Circular Memorandum No. 26/2017

From: Secretary for Education

To: Supervisors / Heads / Teachers of
All Day Schools

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Time Schedule for Election of the Council on Professional Conduct in Education 2017

Summary

The purpose of this circular memorandum (CM) is to provide supervisors, heads and teachers with an updated time schedule for the election of the Council on Professional Conduct in Education 2017. This CM should be read in conjunction with the Education Bureau Circular Memorandum (EDBCM) No. 7/2017 on Nomination for Election of the Council on Professional Conduct in Education 2017 issued on 13 January 2017.

Details

2. In connection with the election of the Council on Professional Conduct in Education (the Council) 2017, EDBCM No. 7/2017 was issued on 13 January 2017 inviting schools to nominate teachers to stand for the election under the teacher-nominated category. The CM also details the rules for nomination and relevant information on the Council election 2017.

3. To facilitate voting by teachers, the School Voting Day is now scheduled for **Thursday, 6 April 2017** having regard to the Easter holiday arrangements of schools. The deadline for schools to return the Voting Results Return Form to the respective Chief School Development Officer (CSDO) or Chief Services Officer (Joint Office for Kindergartens and Child Care Centres) (CServO(JOKC)) is 7 April 2017. In addition, schools may collect ballot papers from the respective CSDO or CServO(JOKC) on 31 March 2017, 3 and 5 April 2017. The time schedule for the Council election is attached for schools' reference at Annex I. **The details on collection of ballot papers and voting arrangements will be set out in the CM to be issued to schools in March 2017.**

4. The Education Bureau calls on schools and teachers to participate in the election for the 12th Council, and expresses its gratitude for their continued support to the Council.

Enquiries

5. Enquiries relating to the Council election should be directed to the Secretariat of the Council on Professional Conduct in Education at 2780 8432 or 2780 8427.

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Election of the Council on Professional Conduct in Education 2017

Time Schedule

(for reference by Teacher-nominated Category)

Date	Events
13 January 2017 (Friday)	Circular Memorandum No. 7/2017 to schools inviting nominations for the Council Election 2017.
24 February 2017 12:00 noon (Friday)	<p>Deadline for nomination. (The Annexes listed below are attached to Circular Memorandum No. 7/2017)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>School Nominees</u> should submit the Nomination Form for School Nominee (Annex V) together with the Information Sheet on Candidate (Annex VIIa), and the Campaign Literature (Annex VIIb) (if any) to the respective Chief School Development Officers [CSDO] or the Chief Services Officer (Joint Office for Kindergartens and Child Care Centres) [CServO(JOKC)] before the deadline for nomination. • <u>Independent Candidates</u> should submit the Nomination Form for Independent Candidate (Annex VI) together with the Information Sheet on Candidate (Annex VIIa), and the Campaign Literature (Annex VIIb) (if any) to the Senior Professional Development Officer (Council on Professional Conduct in Education) of the Education Bureau before the deadline for nomination.
10 March 2017 (Friday)	Circular memorandum to schools on preparation for the Council Election, providing details of the nomination of Returning Officers by schools, the Briefing cum Question and Answer Session, and upload of Information Sheets on Candidates to the website of the Council. The Information Sheet on Candidate and Campaign Literature (if any) submitted by candidates will be uploaded to the website of the Council on the same day.
25 March 2017 (Saturday)	Briefing cum Question and Answer Session (schools will be informed of the time and venue in due course).
27 March 2017 (Monday)	Deadline for schools to submit the names of two Returning Officers to the respective CSDO or the CServO(JOKC).
29 March 2017 (Wednesday)	Circular memorandum to schools on collection of ballot papers and voting arrangements, to which Information Sheet on Candidate, Campaign Literature (if any) and ballot paper collection form are attached.
31 March, 3 & 5 April 2017 (Friday, Monday & Wednesday)	Schools to collect ballot papers from the respective CSDO or the CServO(JOKC). The collection form is attached to the relevant circular memorandum to be issued in March 2017 and can be downloaded.
6 April 2017 (Thursday)	School Voting Day – Schools should follow the rules as set out in Annex II of Circular Memorandum No. 7/2017 and the Guidance Notes for School Heads and Returning Officers attached to the relevant circular memorandum to be issued in March 2017.
7 April 2017 4:00 pm (Friday)	Deadline for schools to return the Voting Results Return Form together with any undistributed ballot papers to the respective CSDO or the CServO(JOKC).
26 April 2017 (Wednesday)	Announcement of voting results.
1 May 2017 (Monday)	Commencement of the term of the 12th Council. The Chairperson and Vice-chairperson will be elected in the first meeting.