

Education Bureau Circular Memorandum No. 102/2022

From: Secretary for Education

To: Principals of Secondary Schools
(excluding ESF and International
Schools)

Ref: EDB(RTD)1/82/1411/92 (22)

Date: 21 June 2022

Test Schedule for Pre-Secondary One Hong Kong Attainment Test 2023

Purpose

The purpose of this circular memorandum is to inform schools of the tentative test schedule for the Pre-Secondary One Hong Kong Attainment Test (Pre-S1 HKAT) 2023 (the Test) and request schools to indicate whether they plan to conduct the Test in 2023.

Details

Test Schedule

2. The Pre-S1 HKAT facilitates secondary schools to identify the strengths and weaknesses of their Secondary One (S1) entrants in Chinese Language, English Language and Mathematics so that appropriate support measures could be introduced.
3. Starting from 2006, the sampled results of Pre-S1 HKAT have been used as the scaling tool in the Secondary School Places Allocation (SSPA) System to scale the internal assessment results of the coming cohort of Primary Six students proceeding to S1. The EDB will collect sampled results of the test biennially in even-numbered years, and there is no sampling arrangement in 2023.
4. The EDB will construct a set of test papers, together with marking schemes, for the subjects of Chinese Language, English Language and Mathematics to be used by secondary schools on a voluntary basis in 2023. The Test is tentatively scheduled for the first Tuesday after the release of the SSPA results and registration of S1 entrants (i.e. 18 July 2023).

5. Pre-S1 HKAT 2023 is a secure test. The arrangements of distribution and return of test materials will be similar to the arrangements in 2022. If schools decide to conduct the Test in 2023, they will be required to arrange it for the three subjects in the order of Mathematics, English Language and Chinese Language on the tentative date stated in paragraph 4 at the specified times set by the EDB. Details of test arrangements will be announced in the 2022/23 school year.

Expression of Interest in Conducting Pre-S1 HKAT 2023

6. To facilitate the planning of the Test, schools are requested to indicate whether they plan to conduct the Test by completing the Annex and returning it to the EDB by fax (Fax No. 2574 0340 / 2904 7387) by **12 July 2022**. This expression of interest is **NOT** schools' final decision as they will be asked to confirm their option in the 2022/23 school year.

Enquiries

7. For enquiries, please contact Mr Alf HO at 2892 6603 or Mr Yam LEUNG at 2892 6630 of the Research and Test Development Section.

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c.c. Heads of Primary Schools
Heads of Sections – for information

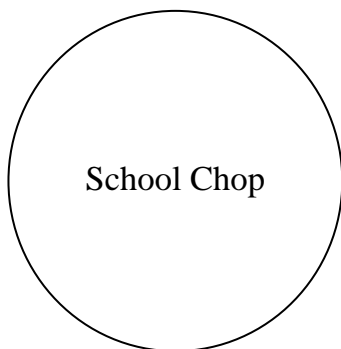
To : Research and Test Development Section, Education Bureau
(Fax No.: 2574 0340 / 2904 7387)

Reply Slip
(To be returned by 12 July 2022)

**Expression of Interest in Conducting
Pre-Secondary One Hong Kong Attainment Test 2023**

We understand that expression of interest in this reply slip is **NOT** our final decision. We will confirm whether we will conduct Pre-Secondary One Hong Kong Attainment Test 2023 with the Education Bureau in the 2022/23 school year.

Our school plans / does not plan* to conduct Pre-Secondary One Hong Kong Attainment Test 2023 tentatively scheduled for 18 July 2023.



Signature of Principal : _____

Name of Principal : _____

Name of School : _____

Date : _____

* Please delete as appropriate