INDICATIVE PSLE SCORE RANGES FOR INDIVIDUAL SECONDARY SCHOOLS

SUPPORTING STUDENTS AND PARENTS IN MAKING INFORMED SCHOOL CHOICES FOR PSLE 2021

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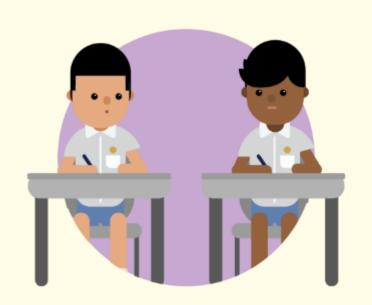
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THE PSLE CHANGES ARE PART OF A BIGGER STORY

Over the years, we have been fine-tuning the education system to help our students discover and develop their strengths and interests, while moving away from an over-emphasis on academic results. Our PSLE Scoring changes aim to reduce an **over-emphasis on academic results** by:



Reducing fine differentiation of students' examination results at a young age



Recognising a student's level of achievement, regardless of how his/her peers have done



Offering students and parents a wider range of secondary schools to explore

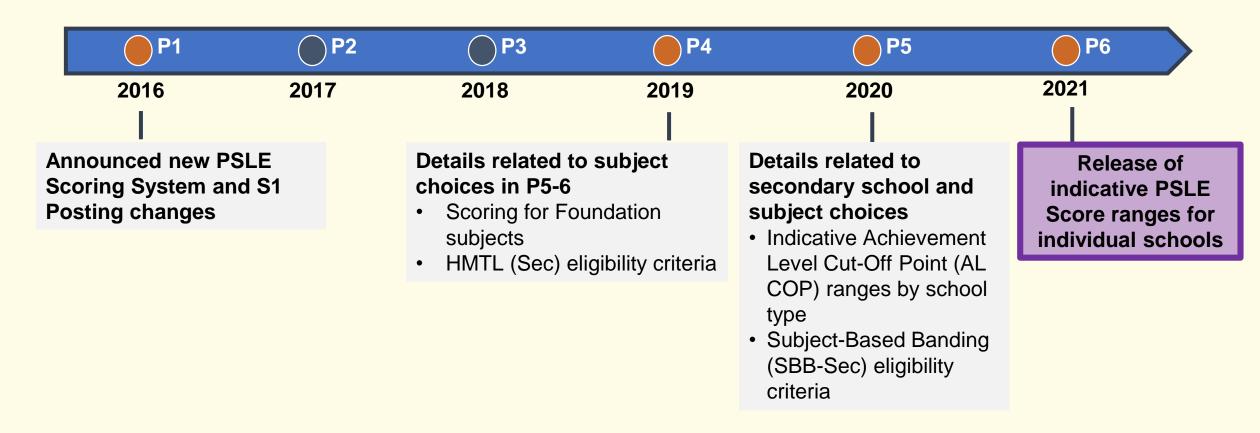
WHY NOT REMOVE THE PSLE? THE PSLE REMAINS AS A USEFUL CHECKPOINT

- The PSLE is a useful checkpoint at the end of primary school to help students, parents and teachers determine where each child's academic strengths lie.
- It guides students to a suitable academic programme and subject levels in secondary school one that best suits their learning needs. In this way, students can learn and progress at a comfortable pace.
- The PSLE result also **serves as a fair and transparent mechanism** to determine secondary school posting.

The PSLE is not the destination. It is part of our students' education journey.



FAMILIARISING STUDENTS AND PARENTS WITH THE SYSTEM AND GUIDING THEM IN MAKING INFORMED SUBJECT & SCHOOL CHOICES



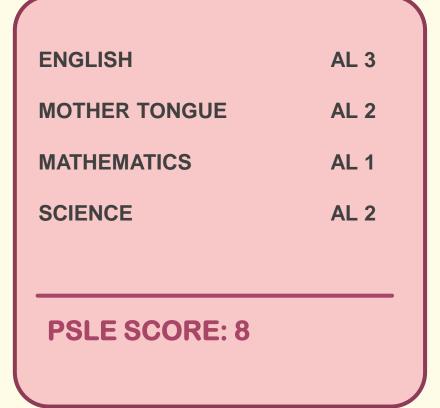
HOW PSLE SCORING WORKS



FROM T-SCORE TO SCORING BANDS

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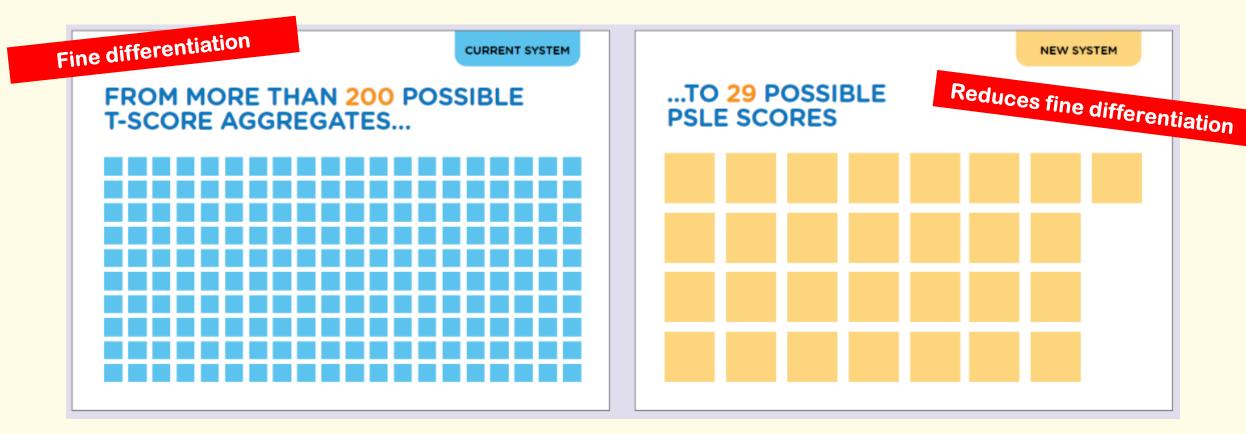
SUBJECT	GRADE
ENGLISH LANGUAGE	A
MOTHER TONGUE	A
MATHEMATICS	A *
SCIENCE	A *
T-SCORE AGGREGATE	244
SECONDARY SCHOOL COURSE ELIGIBLE FOR	EXPRESS







FROM T-SCORE TO SCORING BANDS



Students' scores are differentiated finely. Students can have a T-score Aggregate of less than 80 to more than 280, which gives more than 200 possible different T-score Aggregates.

Students will be placed in fewer groups of PSLE Scores. Students' PSLE Scores (the sum of the AL for each subject) will range from 4 – 32, which gives 29 possible different scores.

FROM T-SCORE TO SCORING BANDS

(a) Reduces fine differentiation of students' examination results

• Students with similar scores in each subject will be grouped into wide scoring bands measured in 8 Achievement Levels (ALs).

(b) Reflects a student's individual level of achievement

 Unlike under the T-score system, students' ALs for each subject will reflect their level of achievement, rather than how they have performed relative to their peers.

AL	RAW MARK RANGE
1	≥ 90
2	85 – 89
3	80 – 84
4	75 – 79
5	65 – 74
6	45 – 64
7	20 – 44
8	< 20

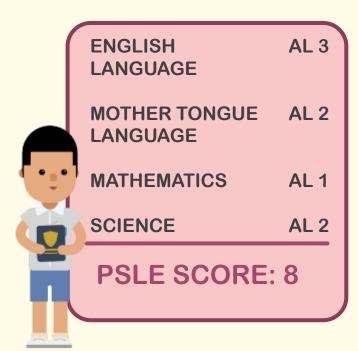
FOUNDATION LEVEL SUBJECT GRADES WILL ALSO BE LESS FINELY DIFFERENTIATED

- Foundation subject grades will also be graded in scoring bands from <u>AL A to C</u>.
- For the purpose of S1 Posting, AL A to AL C for Foundation level subjects will be mapped to AL
 6 to AL 8 of Standard level subjects respectively, to derive a student's overall PSLE Score.
- Similar to the PSLE T-score system, this mapping is based on the learning and assessment load of the subjects, and informs students of their readiness to access the curriculum at the secondary level.

FOUNDATION LEVEL AL	FOUNDATION RAW MARK RANGE	EQUIVALENT STANDARD LEVEL AL
Α	75 – 100	6
В	30 – 74	7
С	< 30	8

4 SUBJECT ALS WILL BE ADDED TO FORM THE OVERALL PSLE SCORE

- The PSLE Score replaces the T-score Aggregate.
- The PSLE Score will range from 4 − 32, with 4 being the best.
- Students will be placed in secondary school courses based on their PSLE Score Express, Normal (Academic) or Normal (Technical).



PLACEMENT OUTCOME	PSLE SCORE
EXPRESS	4 – 20
EXPRESS / N(A) OPTION	21 – 22
N(A)	23 – 24
N(A) / N(T) OPTION	25
N(T)	26 – 30, with AL 7 or better in both EL <u>and</u> MA

*No requirement of scoring AL 7 or better in EL and/or MA

As announced in COS 2019, the Express, N(A) and N(T) courses will be phased out by 2024.

SUBJECT-BASED BANDING (SECONDARY) [SBB (SEC)] ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- SBB (Sec) provides students posted to the N(A) and (NT) courses with **greater flexibility** to take various subjects at a more demanding level based on their subject-specific strengths and aptitudes.
- Under the new PSLE Scoring System, the SBB (Sec) eligibility criteria is as follows:

FOR STUDENTS OFFERED THE N(A) OR N(T) COURSE				
PSLE SUBJECT GRADE OPTION TO TAKE SUBJECT AT				
AL 5 or better in a Standard level subject	Express level *			
AL 6 or better in a Standard level subject	N(A) level **			
<u>OR</u>				
AL A in a Foundation level subject				

Example

EL = AL 5 *
MA (6), SC(6), MT (6) = 18
PSLE Score = 23 – N(A)

EL = AL 6 ** MA (7), SC(7), MT (7) = 21 PSLE Score = 27 – N(T)

 As students progress in secondary school, they will continue to have more opportunities to take subjects at more demanding levels based on their performance in school.

HOW S1 POSTING WORKS



CHOICE ORDER OF SCHOOLS WILL MATTER MORE

- Students continue to have six choices in selecting their secondary schools.
- Students will be posted to a secondary school based on <u>academic merit, i.e. PSLE Score</u>, and their <u>school choice rank order</u>.
- If two students with the same PSLE Score vie for the last remaining place in a school, the following tiebreakers will be used in the following order:
 - 1. CITIZENSHIP
 - 2. CHOICE ORDER OF SCHOOLS

NEW!

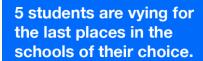
- 3. COMPUTERISED BALLOTING
- The new tie-breaker based on school choice order recognises the different considerations that families have in making school choices.



Tie-breakers

in the new S1 Posting System

Tie-breakers are used only if there is more than one student with the same PSLE Score vying for the last available place(s) in a school. Here's a simplified example.



SCHOOL CHOICES:

Singapore Citizen

Jane

1) Sch A

2) Sch ... 3) Sch ...

16 pts 4) Sch ...



Bryan

Singapore Citizen

20 pts

SCHOOL CHOICES: 1) Sch B

SCHOOL CHOICES:

SCHOOL CHOICES:

2) Sch ... 3) Sch ... 4) Sch ...

1) Sch A

2) Sch B

3) Sch C

4) Sch ...

1) Sch A

2) Sch B

3) Sch D

4) Sch ...

Mary

Singapore Citizen

20 pts

Alan

Permanent Resident

20 pts

Rina

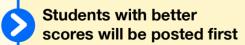
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SCHOOL CHOICES: 1) Sch A

2) Sch B 3) Sch D

4) Sch E





Tie-breaker #1: Citizenship



Tie-breaker #2: Choice order of schools



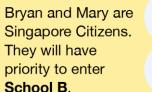
Tie-breaker #3: Computerised balloting

Jane has a better PSLE score. She will be posted first, to School A.



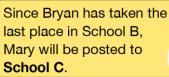
Bryan, Mary, Alan and Rina have the same score.

As Jane has taken the last available place in School A, Bryan, Mary, Alan and Rina will vie for the last available place in their next choice, School B.





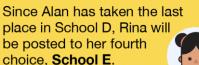
Because Bryan ranked School B higher than Mary, he will be posted to School B.





Alan and Rina have both ranked School D as their third choice. They will go through computerised balloting to vie for the last remaining place in School D.

Through computerised balloting, Alan is posted to School D.





Alan and Rina will be tie-broken out as they are Permanent Residents. They will be considered for their next choice,

School D.

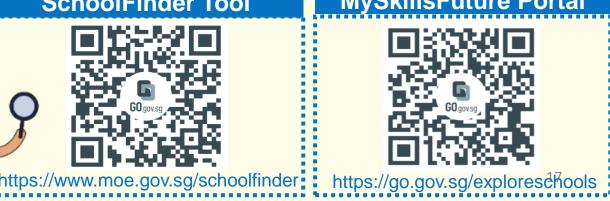
INDICATIVE PSLE SCORE RANGES FOR INDIVIDUAL SECONDARY SCHOOLS



INDICATIVE PSLE SCORE RANGES FOR ALL SECONDARY SCHOOLS

- MOE has generated the indicative PSLE Score ranges for individual secondary schools from students' PSLE results and school choice patterns at the 2020 S1 Posting Exercise.
- As T-score was still being used in last year's S1 Posting Exercise, the PSLE Score ranges for individual secondary schools are <u>indicative</u> as they were simulated using the 2020 PSLE cohort results and students' school choices in that same year.
- Similar to the T-score system, the school's PSLE Score range for a particular year is not pre-determined, and may
 vary from year to year, depending on the cohort's PSLE results and their school choices in the previous year's S1
 Posting Exercise.
- The <u>indicative</u> PSLE Score range of a school serves as a guide for students and parents to shortlist school choices that would best fit a student's educational needs. This should be considered alongside other factors, such as the school's programmes, culture, ethos, Co SchoolFinder Tool
 MySkillsFuture Portal
- The indicative PSLE Score ranges for individual secondary schools will be made available on https://moe.gov.sg/schoolfinder and https://go.gov.sg/exploreschools.

Curricular Activities, and proximity to home.



SAMPLE PRESENTATION ON MOE'S SCHOOLFINDER

Secondary School



M School code:

Indicative PSLE Score range of 2020

	Affiliated	Non Affiliated
Express	-	14-19
Normal Academic	-	21-25
Normal Technical	-	25-28

Subject onered

Students will have to attend Tamil Language lessons after school at the nearest Tamil Language Centre.

- · Basic Chinese Language
- · Computer Applications
- Design & Technology
- · Elements of Business Skills
- English Language
- Mathematics
- · Basic Malay Language
- Science
- Social Studies
- Ar
- · Chinese Language
- Geography
- History
- · Literature in English
- Malay Language
- Nutrition and Food Science
- Principles of Accounts
- Science (Chem, Bio)
- · Science (Phy, Chem)
- Humanities (Ss, Geography)
- Humanities (Ss, History)
- · Additional Mathematics
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Food & Consumer Education
- · Higher Chinese Language
- Physics
- Music
- Physical Education

Elective and Programmes

Applied Learning Programme (ALP)
Interdisciplinary

 Project S.H.I.N.E -- An Integrated Student-Centred and Holistic Programme that Develops Innovation and Nurtures Empathy

Learning for Life Programme (LLP)

Sports & Outdoor Education

SHAPE@BDS: A School of Healthy And Physically Educated Enthusiasts

DSA talent areas offered

Learn more about DSA-Sec.

- Innovation (Girls and Boys)
- · Badminton (Girls and Boys)
- Floorball (Girls and Boys)
- Football (Boys)
- Netball (Girls)
- · Outdoor Adventure (Girls and Boys)

Co-Curricular Activities (CCAs)

- · Badminton (Girls and Boys)
- Netball (Girls)
- Football (Boys)
- Floorball (Girls and Boys)
- Girl Guides (Girls)
- National Police Cadet Corps (NPCC) (Girls and Boys)
- Scouts (Boys)
- National Cadet Corps (NCC) (Land) (Boys)
- National Civil Defence Cadet Corps (NCDCC) (Girls and Boys)
- Chinese Orchestra (Girls and Boys)
- Choir (Girls and Boys)
- Chinese Dance (Girls and Boys)
- Malay Dance (Girls and Boys)
- Concert Band (Girls and Boys)
- · Audio Visual Aid (Girls and Boys)
- Environmental Science (Girls and Boys)
- Environmental science (dins and boys)
- Infocomm Technology (Media Production) (Girls and Boys)

Special needs facilities and resources

- Visual impairment
- Physical disability
- Allied educators

About

School mode: Single session School nature: Co-Ed School

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INDICATIVE PSLE SCORE RANGES FOR INDIVIDUAL SECONDARY SCHOOLS

Similar to the T-score system, the indicative PSLE Score range refers to the PSLE Score of the <u>first</u> and <u>last student</u> admitted into a particular school in the previous year via S1 Posting. This shows the range of student profiles who enter each school.

Example

XX Secondary School Indicative PSLE Score range of 2020

Express	15 20
Normal (Academic)	21 + 24
Normal (Technical)	25/-\28

Students who scored better than the school's COP in this particular posting exercise would have been admitted to the school

Indicative PSLE Score of the <u>first</u> student posted into the school in the respective courses

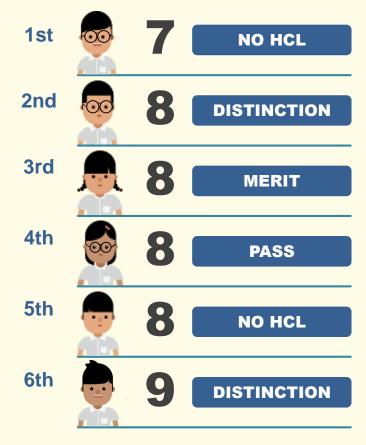
Indicative PSLE Score of the <u>last</u> student posted into the school in the respective courses [i.e. the school's <u>Cut-Off Point</u> (COP)]

USE OF HIGHER CHINESE LANGUAGE (HCL) FOR ADMISSION INTO SAP SCHOOLS



HCL POSTING ADVANTAGE FOR ENTRY TO SAP SCHOOLS WILL CONTINUE*

- Students' HCL results will be denoted as 'D' (Distinction), 'M' (Merit) or 'P' (Pass).
- Students will be ranked taking into account their performance in HCL.
- This posting advantage applies before the tie-breakers for S1 Posting.



EXAMPLE OF AN SAP SCHOOL'S INDICATIVE PSLE SCORE RANGE

While students need not take HCL to enter SAP schools, students who pass HCL receive a posting
advantage for admission. To reflect this, the indicative PSLE Score ranges of SAP schools include the
HCL grades of the first and last student admitted in the previous year via S1 Posting.

Example

XX Secondary School
Indicative PSLE Score range of 2020

Express	<mark>5 (D)</mark>)-(12 (P)	
Normal (Academic)	$\Big)$			
Normal (Technical)				

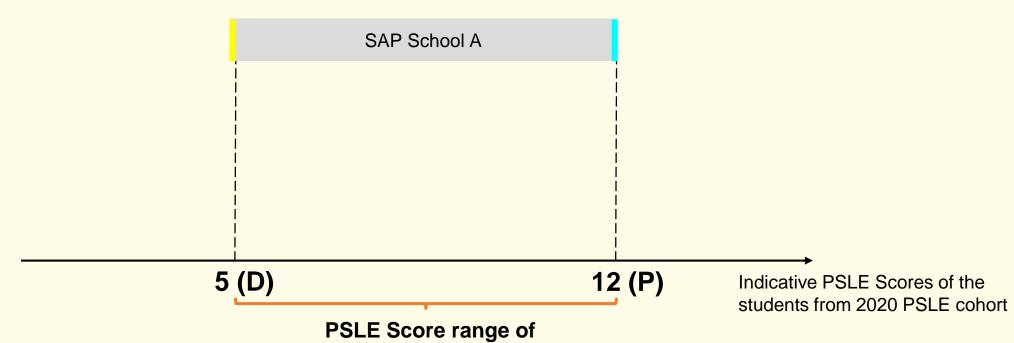
Students who scored better than the school's COP, whether they take HCL, in this particular posting exercise would have been admitted to the school

Indicative PSLE Score and HCL grade of the <u>first</u> student posted into the school in the Express course

Indicative PSLE Score and HCL grade of the <u>last</u> student posted into the school in the Express course [i.e. the school's <u>Cut-Off Point (COP)</u>]

EXAMPLE OF S1 POSTING FOR SAP SCHOOL

In the 2020 S1 Posting Exercise, a child who had applied for an SAP school, and did not take Higher Chinese Language (HCL) in Primary School would have been admitted if he/she attained a PSLE Score better than the AL COP.



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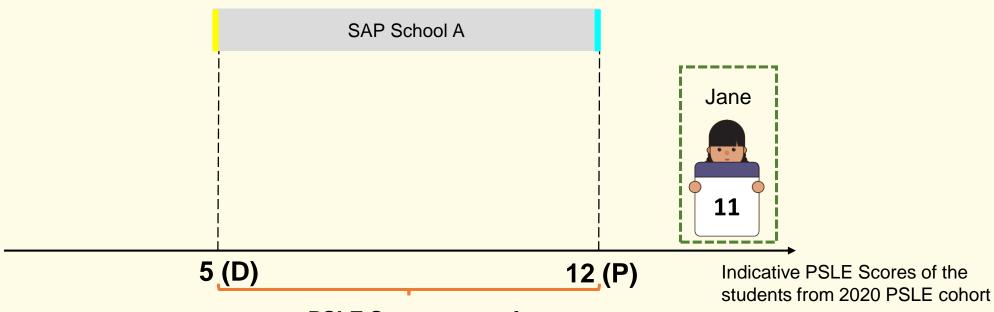
D = Distinction

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SAP School A (Express Course): <u>5 (D) to 12 (P)</u>

EXAMPLE OF S1 POSTING FOR SAP SCHOOL

For example, Jane, who did not take HCL at PSLE 2020, would have been admitted to the school as she had a PSLE Score of 11.



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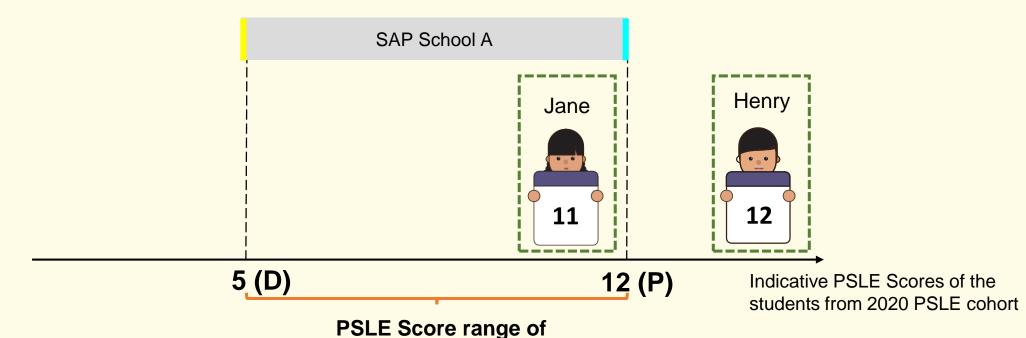
D = Distinction

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PSLE Score range of SAP School A (Express Course): <u>5 (D) to 12 (P)</u>

EXAMPLE OF S1 POSTING FOR SAP SCHOOL

Henry, who had a PSLE Score of 12, would not have been admitted to the school in the 2020 S1 Posting Exercise as his score was higher than the COP for the school.



Note:

D = Distinction P = Pass SAP School A (Express Course): <u>5 (D) to 12 (P)</u>

WHAT THE INDICATIVE PSLE SCORE RANGES SHOW

- With a blunter scoring system, there are fewer possible PSLE Scores. Schools would also be less differentiated by COPs, which will mean that students would have a wider range of secondary schools to choose from. Students therefore do not have to chase the last mark.
 - There is a good spread of schools with COPs across different PSLE Scores
 - Indicative COPs range from 6 30, with no school having a COP of 4
- Schools' indicative PSLE Score ranges have remained largely stable in recent years.
 - The ranges may vary from year to year depending on the cohort's PSLE results and their school choices for that year's S1 Posting Exercise
 - Fluctuations of +/-1 AL for AL COPs are typical

GOOD SPREAD OF SCHOOLS WITH A RANGE OF CUT-OFF POINTS (COPs)

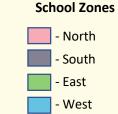
- The COP refers to the PSLE Score of the **last student** admitted to a particular school in the 2020 S1 Posting Exercise.
- The COP range indicates the lowest and highest COP of the respective courses based on the schools in each school zone.
- As COPs vary from school to school, the COP ranges would differ across zones.#

	Courses	Exp^	N(A)	N(T)
T.	No. of Schools	37	32	32
	COP Range	7 (M)-22	22-25	26-30*

Courses	Exp^	N(A)	N(T)
No. of Schools	32	27	25
COP Range	6-22	22-25	26-30*

Courses	Exp^	N(A)	N(T)
No. of Schools	33	25	23
COP Range	8 (D) -22	22-25	26-30*

	Courses	Exp^	N(A)	N(T)	
1	No. of Schools	36	30	29	
	COP Range	6-22	21-25	26-30*	



[#] This does not take into account affiliated COPs.

^{*}Schools offering both IP and O-Level track are counted as 1 school while the COP range includes COP of IP-track.

^{*}This indicates that the last student posted to the school had a PSLE Score better than 30. The school's COP is 30 because the school still had N(T) vacancies after the S1 Posting Exercise. Hence, students with PSLE Score of 30 and had met the eligibility criteria for progression to S1 would have been able to obtain a place in the school if they had chosen the school during the S1 Posting Exercise.

Placement Outcome	PSLE Score
Express	4-20
Express/NA	21-22
NA	23-24
NA/NT	25
NT	26-30, with AL 7 or better in EL and MA

			Тур	е		Indica	tive PSLE Sc	ore Range o	f 2020	
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1	Canberra				-	11-22	-	21-24	-	25-29

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7	Raffles Girls'	✓			-	4-6	-	-	-	-	
8	Marsiling				-	9-22	-	21-25	-	25-30*	

GOOD SPREAD OF SCHOOLS WITH A RANGE OF CUT-OFF POINTS (COPs)

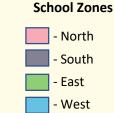
- The COP refers to the PSLE Score of the **last student** admitted to a particular school in the 2020 S1 Posting Exercise.
- The COP range indicates the **lowest** and **highest** COP of the respective courses based on the schools in each school zone.
- As COPs vary from school to school, the COP ranges would differ across zones.#

Courses	Exp^	N(A)	N(T)
No. of Schools	37	32	32
COP Range	7 (M)-22	22-25	26-30*

Courses	Exp^	N(A)	N(T)	
No. of Schools	32	27	25	
COP Range	6-22	22-25	26-30*	

Courses	Exp [^]	N(A)	N(T)	
No. of Schools	33	25	23	
COP Range	8 (D) -22	22-25	26-30*	

100	Courses	Exp^	N(A)	N(T)
1	No. of Schools	36	30	29
	COP Range	6-22	21-25	26-30*



[#] This does not take into account affiliated COPs.

^{*}Schools offering both IP and O-Level track are counted as 1 school while the COP range includes COP of IP-track.

^{*}This indicates that the last student posted to the school had a PSLE Score better than 30. The school's COP is 30 because the school still had N(T) vacancies after the S1 Posting Exercise. Hence, students with PSLE Score of 30 and had met the eligibility criteria for progression to S1 would have been able to obtain a place in the school if they had chosen the school during the S1 Posting Exercise.

CHOOSING A SUITABLE SECONDARY SCHOOL



SCHOOL CHOICE JOURNEY

- The PSLE Score ranges are a useful reference point for parents and students to consider secondary schools.
- Parents and students are encouraged to use this information, together with other factors such as
 the secondary schools' distinctive programmes, CCAs, ethos and cultures, to shortlist schools that
 would best fit the educational needs of the student.
- Parents and students may consider DSA-Sec as an alternative admission pathway to access their preferred secondary school.



CONSIDERATIONS FOR CHOOSING A SECONDARY SCHOOL

When making school choices in order to find a school that would help the child learn and thrive best:



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CONSIDERATIONS FOR CHOOSING A SECONDARY SCHOOL

Consider your child's strengths, interests and abilities

- Discuss the options with your child, with the following considerations:
 - School culture: What is the school's culture and ethos?
 - <u>Programmes, subjects and CCAs offered:</u> Can the school support and develop your child's interests, strengths and abilities?
 - Location and transport options: Is it too far from home? How will your child get to school?
- Shortlist schools that offer programmes that cater to the child's strengths and interests, and that provide suitable learning environments
 - Refer to SchoolFinder and the MySkillsFuture Portal for information on the schools' location, school type, CCAs, programmes and subjects they offer to shortlist schools that meet your child learning needs. Refer to the secondary schools' websites and visit their open houses.

CONSIDERATIONS FOR CHOOSING A SECONDARY SCHOOL

Parents may use this guide to start thinking about factors to consider as you shortlist secondary schools with your child. You can visit the PSLE-FSBB Microsite to get a copy of this guide and other resources.



MOE WEBINAR – PREPARING YOUR CHILD FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL EDUCATION (PLEASE REFER TO PARENTS GATEWAY MESSAGE DATED 19 MAY)

[Parent Kit & Webinar] Choosing a Secondary School With Your Child

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Dear Parents.

We recognise that choosing a secondary school for your child is an important milestone for you and your child. To support you, we are sharing the latest issue of Parent Kit on 'Choosing a Secondary School With Your Child' that provides you with steps you can take together with your child to shortlist suitable secondary schools that best fit their strengths and interests.

MOE is also organising two webinars, 'Preparing Your Child for Secondary School Education', on 12 and 19 June 2021 to find out how to choose a secondary school with your child and help them transit smoothly into a secondary school environment. To register, please click on the weblink below. Successful registrants will receive a confirmation email.

Thank you.

Web link

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Choosing a Secondary School With Your Child



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EXAMPLE: BRYAN'S JOURNEY

Bryan is in P6. Bryan had previously shortlisted 10 secondary schools based on his strengths and interests during the start of the year. Now that he has received his PSLE results, he has to decide on his 6 school options. **How should he go about it?**

BRYAN

Strengths and interests

- Sports, especially in basketball and football
- Outdoor adventure
- Science

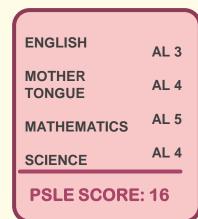






PSLE Score: 16





EXAMPLE: BRYAN'S JOURNEY

Bryan reviews his shortlisted choices based on his PSLE Score and their PSLE Score ranges. He considers the distance from his home to the schools and makes a note on the schools that are nearer his home that have programmes that he is interested in (related to sports and science, with basketball or football CCAs).

After exploring several options, Bryan is interested in the following schools because they have Cut-Off Points (COPs) around his PSLE Score, offer sports programmes, basketball and football as CCAs, and science-related ALPs.

Secondary School A

ALP: Game Design and Robotics

LLP: Sports and Outdoor Education

CCAs: Offers basketball, football

Indicative PSLE Score range: 14 - 17

Secondary School H

ALP: Robotics and Automation

LLP: Community and Youth

Leadership

CCAs: Offers basketball, football

Indicative PSLE Score range: 11 - 16

Secondary School M

ALP: Enhanced Music Programme

LLP: Digital Media

CCAs: Offers basketball, football

Indicative PSLE Score range: 15 - 18

EXAMPLE: BRYAN'S JOURNEY

Keeping in mind that he has 6 school options, Bryan also considers other possible choices near his home:

Secondary School E

ALP: Environmental Science and Sustainable Living

LLP: Music and Performing Arts

CCAs: Offers basketball, football

Indicative PSLE Score range: 13 - 17

Secondary School T

ALP: Digital Media

LLP: Sports and Outdoor Education

CCAs: Offers basketball, football

Indicative PSLE Score range: 15 - 19

Secondary School P

ALP: Aerospace Engineering

LLP: Community and Youth

Leadership

CCAs: Offers football

Indicative PSLE Score range: 17 - 20

Bryan **visits these schools' virtual open houses** with his parents to find out more about their **programmes** and the **school culture**. Through the virtual session, he hears from their students their experiences.

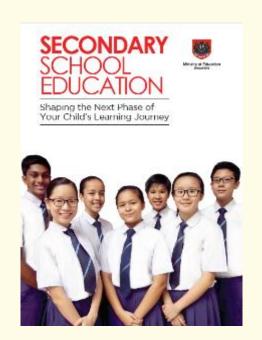
Bryan is ready to consider how to rank and submit all his six school options for the S1 Posting Exercise. He also includes a few schools where his PSLE Score is better that the school's Cut-Off Point (COP) as the indicative PSLE Score ranges may vary from year to year.

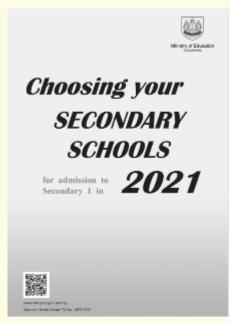
Note: Depending on your child's PSLE Score, he/she may be offered a course option. If your child is eligible for 2 courses, he/she must choose 1 course before submitting his/her school choices. The selected course will apply to all the school choices.

IN SUMMARY WHEN PREPARING FOR S1 POSTING EXERCISE

- Use all 6 options with a range of Cut-Off Points
 - This will increase the student's chances of being posted to a school of their choice, especially since more students will fall within the same PSLE Score range.
- Take reference from schools' PSLE Score ranges in previous years
 - This serves as a guide for students and parents to shortlist school choices as schools' Cut-Off Points are not pre-determined in that year of posting.
 - Consider at least 2-3 schools where your child's PSLE Score is better than the school's Cut-Off Point.
- Shortlist schools that offer programmes that cater to the student's strengths and interests, and that provide suitable learning environments
 - Refer to SchoolFinder and the MySkillsFuture Portal for information on the schools' location, school type, CCAs, programmes and subjects they offer to shortlist schools that meet your child's learning needs.
 Parents may also refer to the secondary schools' websites and visit their open houses.
- Rank your preferred school higher in your school choice order
 - This will increase the students' chances of being posted to that school, if there is a tie-breaker.

PREPARING FOR S1 POSTING EXERCISE





- Release of School Posting results
- Release of PSLE results
- Submission of Secondary 1 Option Form

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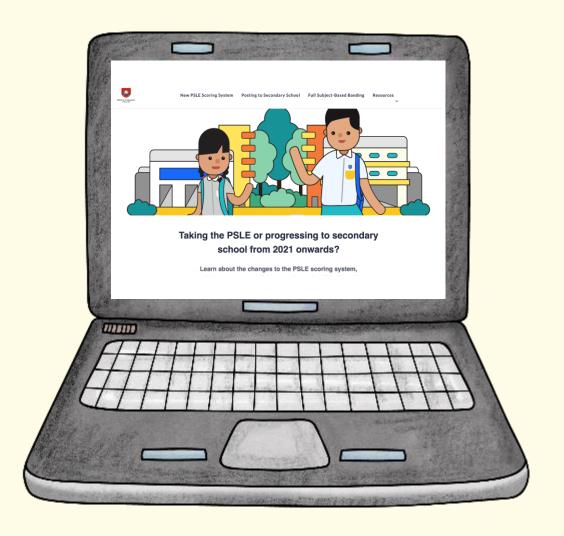
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PSLE SCORE CALCULATOR ON PSLE-FSBB MICROSITE

Use the PSLE Score Calculator below to find out. **English Language** Select Score Mathematics Select Score \$ Science Select Score \$ Mother Tongue Language Select Score \$ My child is / I am exempted from taking Mother Tongue Language, or is taking an Asian Language / Foreign Language inlieu of a Mother Tongue Language My child is / I am taking Higher Mother Tongue Language Calculate



Use the PSLE Score Calculator below to find out.

PSLE Score

Subject	AL
English Language	4
Mathematics	3
Science	6
Mother Tongue Language	6
PSLE Score*	19

* The PSLE Score is generated based on the AL scores of individual subjects keyed into the calculator.

Course Placement

Your child is / You are eligible for the **Express course**.



OTHER RESOURCES

SchoolFinder
Tool





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Secondary School Education Booklet



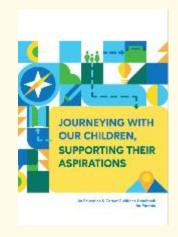


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RESOURCES TOP QUESTIONS ON THE NEW PSLE SCORING SYSTEM





Part 1

https://go.gov.sg/psleexplainer-1





Part 2

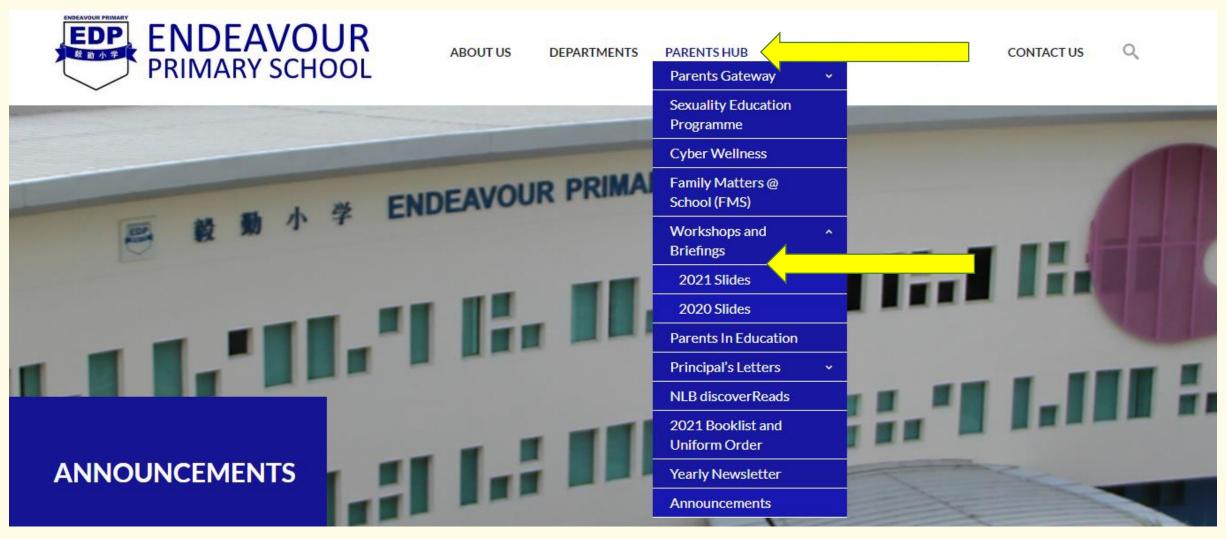
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OUR JOURNEY FORWARD

MOE will continue to ensure our students, parents, and schools have the support they
need during this transition.



Today's slides will be made available at our school's website:



THANK YOU

