

**(A) Administration****1. Will the presentation slides shown during Placement Briefing be provided to parents?**

The information will be provided on the school website.

**2. Is the allocation of subjects based on subject merit of End of Year Exam only, or overall Sec 2 results?**

Subject allocation by merit is based on overall Sec 2 results.

**3. How will students know which subject combination they are eligible for?**

After End-of-Year examinations, students will be shown their Overall percentage score for all subjects. This will allow students to check if they have met the criteria for subjects such as A Math, thereby knowing which subject combination they are eligible for.

**4. Does the school allow G2 students to take a subject at G3 when they achieve 70% for the subject this year?**

No. The student must attain a minimum overall 75% score for the subject and be deemed to be able to cope well in the subject to be allowed to take a subject at G3.

**5. Do students remain in their current Sec 2 class regardless of which combination they choose?**

No, students' form class will be decided by the subject combination they choose.

**6. Is the Polytechnic Foundation Programme (PFP) only offered to NA students?**

Yes.

**(B) Nature of Subjects****1. Can G2 students take Additional Mathematics (A Math) at G3 Level?**

There is no option to offer G3 A Math to G2 students. Students can choose to take G2 A Math and G3 Math.

**2. What does 'elective subject' mean?**

Elective subjects mean under the option of the subject combination, the student will only select one of the subjects offered.

For example, in the elective subject of A Math/Art, students can select only one but not both subjects in the combination.

**3. What is Sci(PC) or Sci(CB)?**

This is the shortened form of the names of the elective subjects Science (Physics, Chemistry) and Science (Chemistry, Biology). As this is an elective subject, students will select either one but not both.

**4. What does SSGY and SSHY stand for?**

These are the shortened forms of the elective subjects Humanities (Social Studies, Geography) and Humanities (Social Studies, History). As this is an elective subject, students will select either one but not both.

**5. If my child chooses SSHY, does it mean the subject consists of half the content from Social Studies and the other half of the content from History?**

Yes, SSHY is a combined subject, results from each half make up the combined score for SSHY (Humanities: Social Studies, History)

**6. If my child is not strong in Mother Tongue, is it advisable to drop the subject at G2 Level?**

MOE education policy states that it is compulsory for all students to study an official MTL as second language. Students may be eligible for MTL exemption if:

- they are Singaporeans returning from overseas in the middle of their primary school education journey,
- they have been overseas for a long period of time and had no opportunity to learn an official MTL, a Non-Tamil Indian Language (NTIL) or an approved Foreign or Asian Language, or
- they have special educational needs, with severe difficulties in coping with overall learning.

However, your child may consider taking Mother Tongue Language at a less demanding level (LDL). If a child is taking LDL MT, your child will have fewer options for Institute of Higher Learning (IHL).

**7. What is POA?**

POA stands for Principles of Accounts.

**8. What do students study in Art?**

Details of subjects for the course can be viewed from MOE website:

G2: [Subjects for Normal \(Academic\) course | MOE](#)

G1: [Subjects for Normal \(Technical\) course | MOE](#)

### (C) Eligibility and Combination Selection

#### 1. What should be the main considerations when choosing subject combinations?

- **Consider Your Child's Interests and Goals:** It's important to choose subjects that align with what your child enjoys and is passionate about. This will help them stay motivated and more focused on their learning.
- **Encourage Them to Challenge Themselves:** If your child has a strong interest or talent in a particular subject, consider taking it at a higher level. This can help them grow their skills and boost their confidence.
- **Keep the Workload Manageable:** It's important to strike a balance. Make sure the combination of subjects is not too overwhelming, allowing your child to handle the demands of Upper Secondary without too much stress.
- **Seek Help When Needed:** If your child is unsure about their choices, encourage them to speak to teachers, the ECG counsellor, and you as parents. Having open discussions and getting advice from trusted sources will help them make a decision that feels right for them.

#### 2. If a student in Sec 2 G1 obtains 70% overall, can he/she be laterally transferred to Sec 3 G2?

No. In the FSBB system, there is only option for students to take individual subjects at More Demanding Level (MDL) if they score a minimum overall 75% for that subject.

#### 3. What is the eligibility criteria for Polytechnic Foundation Programme (PFP)?

To be eligible to apply for the PFP, N (A) students must

- a) obtain ELMAB3 (English Language, Mathematics, Best 3 subjects) raw aggregate score of 12 points or better (excluding CCA bonus point) at the National examination.
- b) Meet the following subject-specific requirements based on your preferred courses.  
\*Accurate as of Mar 2025. Please check the MOE website and individual school websites for the latest updates and detailed criteria.

Please visit the following website for more information:

<https://www.moe.gov.sg/microsites/psle-fsbb/full-subject-based-banding/faq.html#pfp>

#### 4. Can CCA points be used for application for entrance to PFP, DPP and Higher Nitec?

Application to PFP and DPP is based on raw aggregate score of 12 points and 19 points or better (not including bonus point) respectively. However, bonus points will be used in computing the ELMAB3 net aggregate score for course posting within the PFP. Please note that eligibility to apply for PFP does not guarantee placement in the programme. Students placed on the PFP may or may not be posted to the course of his / her choice, subject to competition based on merit and the availability of places. Please visit the following website for more information:

[https://pfp.polytechnic.edu.sg/PFP/pfp\\_eligibility.html](https://pfp.polytechnic.edu.sg/PFP/pfp_eligibility.html)

Applications to Nitec and Higher Nitec courses in ITE via JIE 'N' exercise is based on best 4 GCE 'N' subjects including pre-requisites and bonus points. Please visit the following website for more information: [jien-2024-intake-entry-requirements.pdf \(ite.edu.sg\)](https://ite.edu.sg/jien-2024-intake-entry-requirements.pdf)

For students who choose to go Sec 5, and stay in the same CCA at Sec 5, CCA bonus points can be used to compute the net aggregate score for posting to polytechnic.

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**5. If a student is able to achieve 2 CCA bonus points at Sec 4 but unable to get into PFP, will the 2 CCA points still be considered for Polytechnic entry at Sec 5?**

If your child is in the same CCA at Sec 5, then the CCA points can be used in Sec 5.

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**6. How many subjects do students need to pass to be eligible for admission to ITE?**

It will largely depend on the course he/she wants to pursue. Some of the possible minimum entry requirements (MER) include the following. Please refer to the specific MER of the courses.

- 3 GCE 'N' Passes (Grade A-D or Grade 1-5) in Mathematics or Science\* and two other subjects
- 3 GCE 'N' Passes (Grade A-D or Grade 1-5) in Mathematics and two other subjects
- 3 GCE 'N' Passes (Grade A-D or Grade 1-5) in English Language and two other subjects
- Completed GCE 'N' level

**7. Is there a need for students doing G2 A Math to take G3 E Math?**

Yes, this is to ensure that the students can cope with the rigor of A Math subject.

**8. Can students take both A Math and POA?**

No, students can only be offered one of the subjects, not both.