29 Sept 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians,

## Secondary 3 Normal (Academic) Subject Combination Selection Exercise (2021)

1. We will like to inform you that your child/ward will be participating in the Secondary 3 Subject Combination Selection Exercise from **Thursday**, **21 October 2021** to **Monday**, **25 October 2021**, which is after the completion of the End-of-Year Examinations (EYE) in October. This is an online exercise where all Secondary 2 students are to register their choices of subject combinations. Below are some important dates for you to take note of:

Date(s)	Activity
21 October 2021 (Thu) to 25 October 2021 (Mon)	Online registration of subject combinations  More details on the registration process will be given closer to the date.
5 November 2021 (Fri), 10am	Release of subject combination offer
5 November 2021 (Fri), 10am to 9 November 2021 (Tue), 4pm	Submission of appeals
17 November 2021 (Wed), 12pm	Release of final appeal results

- 2. To assist you and your child/ward in his/her selection, kindly refer to **Annex A** for more information and additionally, do discuss and consider the following factors:
  - your child's/ward's interests, strengths and career options,
  - his/her ability to cope with the subject combination chosen, and
  - requirements/criteria for courses at post-secondary institutions (available in the Student Handbook).
- 3. We also wish to inform you that the offer of subject combination to students will be based on:
  - student's academic performance at Secondary 2,
  - specific subject criteria, and
  - demand for the subject.
- 4. Please note that the school reserves the right **not to offer** combinations/subjects which do not have at least 15 students who qualify and opt to take the subject.
- 5. Each student will submit 2 subject combination choices, in order of preference.

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## **Cross-Stream Subjects**

6. In addition, we would also like to take this opportunity to inform you that your child/ward may offer to do English, Mathematics, Science and Mother Tongue at the Sec 3 Express level from 2022 as cross-stream subjects if they meet the following criteria,

Course	School-based Results (End-of-Year Overall Results)	Option to offer subject at
N(A)	75% or higher in specific subject <b>and</b> clear a qualifying test for the specific subject	<b>EXP</b> level starting from Secondary 3

- 7. This is further subjected to the following conditions:
  - They are limited to a maximum of 3 cross-stream subjects.
  - They are required to be performing well in other core subjects (e.g. at least a pass in English).
  - They are expected to bridge the content gap on their own. No structured bridging programme will be provided by the school.
- 8. Should your child/ward qualify for cross-stream subjects, he/she will be informed at the end of the year.
- 9. With the above information at hand, we trust that you are able to guide your child/ward to make an informed decision.
- 10. For further queries, you may speak with the Lower Secondary Year Head, Ms Mastura Ahmad at 63445025 or email to: mastura\_ahmad@moe.edu.sg or Head of Department (Science), Mr Foo Siang Keng, at foo\_siang\_keng@moe.edu.sg.
- 11. Thank you.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Tan Lay Hong

Principal



#### Annex A

# Possible Subject Combinations for Normal (Academic) Students

Language (Compulsory)	English Language
Language (Compulsory)	Mother Tongue
Mathematics (Compulsory)	Mathematics
Combined Humanities (Choose one)	<ul> <li>Social Studies / Geography OR</li> <li>Social Studies / History</li> </ul>
Combined Sciences (Choose one)	<ul><li>Physics / Chemistry <b>OR</b></li><li>Biology / Chemistry</li></ul>
Elective & Coursework-based subjects (Choose one)	<ul> <li>Food &amp; Nutrition</li> <li>Art</li> <li>Principles of Accounts</li> </ul>

## Criteria for Certain Normal (Academic) Subjects

Subject	Condition(s)
Principles of Accounts	2NA English ≥ 60% (Overall) 2NA Math ≥ 60% (Overall)
Food & Nutrition	Quota of 20 students per class