

Recognition of Alternative Chinese Language Qualifications under the Procedure

1. Some students, including the non-Chinese speaking (NCS) students studying the local curriculum, in particular those who have a late start in the learning of Chinese Language or have not been given full opportunities to learn the local Chinese Language curriculum, may have genuine difficulties in meeting the Chinese Language requirement in the Procedure and prefer to acquire alternative Chinese Language qualification(s) to gain admission to S6. In this connection, flexibility would be allowed in using alternative Chinese Language examination qualifications under the Procedure for 2008. Schools may take into account their own circumstances and choose to consider applicants holding alternative Chinese Language qualifications. They can give conditional offers to these students as the release of General Certificate of Secondary Education (GCSE)/International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE)/General Certificate of Education Ordinary Level (GCE O-Level) results is in late August.

2. Schools wishing to consider applicants who hold alternative Chinese Language qualifications for S6 admission in Stages I to V are required to inform students and the Education Bureau (EDB) of the admission criteria in advance. The relevant arrangements and some admission examples are provided at [Appendix I](#). The templates to be used for this purpose are provided at this homepage.