

Special Arrangements for Secondary Six Admission Procedure under inclement weather

The Education Bureau announced today (August 4) that as a tropical cyclone is approaching Hong Kong, if Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal No. 8 / Black Rainstorm Warning Signal is issued at or before 5 a.m. tomorrow (August 5) morning, Stage I of the Secondary 6 Admission Procedure (the Procedure) scheduled for tomorrow morning will be postponed. Schools and current year HKCEE participants should pay attention to the announcement made on the radio and television.

If Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal No. 8 / Black Rainstorm Warning Signal is cancelled before 11:00 am tomorrow, schools may start Stage I of the Procedure upon collection of their students' HKCEE Results Notices. To ensure students' safety and allow them sufficient time to return to schools, Stage I will start at 2 pm and be extended to 6:00 pm tomorrow.

If Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal No. 8 / Black Rainstorm Warning Signal is still in force at 11:00 am tomorrow, the Procedure will be postponed by one day accordingly till the morning of 6 August 2009. For details of the revised arrangements under postponement of the Procedure, please refer to the Procedure webpage at www.edb.gov.hk/s6ap_e.

An Education Bureau spokesman stressed, "As application for S6 places is not accepted on a first-come-first-served basis, the Education Bureau appeals to students and parents not to go to the schools to submit applications when Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal No. 8 / Black Rainstorm Warning Signal is still in force."

"However, schools should closely monitor the situation and take appropriate contingency measures to ensure students' safety," the spokesman added.

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4 August 2009