Parent Information on Admission Arrangements for Nursery (K1) Classes in KGs for the 2024/25 School Year

> (Applicable to children who were born on or before 31 December 2021)

KGs Covered

- Applicable to KGs joining the Kindergarten Education Scheme (Scheme-KGs) or non-Scheme local KGs participating in the K1 Admission Arrangements
 - The list of non-Scheme local KGs joining the "2024/25 K1 Admission Arrangements" will be uploaded onto EDB's website in <u>mid-July 2023</u>.

(EDB's website>Education System and Policy >KG Education>Admission Arrangements for Nursery (K1) Classes in Kindergartens>Admission Arrangements for Nursery (K1) Classes in Kindergartens for the 2024/25 School Year - 8. List of Local Kindergartens (KGs) Not Joining the Kindergarten Education Scheme but Participating in the 2024/25 K1 Admission Arrangements)

(1) Distribution of Application Forms

- Distribution of application forms without quota or via school website to avoid queuing up.
- Should not interview the child-applicants earlier than November.

(2) School-based Admission Mechanism

KGs should introduce a school-based admission mechanism, including the admission procedure and criteria, and the number of child-applicants to be interviewed, etc.

Must be fair, just and open.

- Must be in compliance with the existing anti-discrimination legislation and other related legislation/ordinance, including:
- Sex Discrimination Ordinance, Disability Discrimination Ordinance, Family Status Discrimination Ordinance, Race Discrimination Ordinance;
- Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance, Prevention of Bribery Ordinance, etc.
- Circulars and guidelines issued by EDB, e.g. the application forms and relevant information provided by KGs must be in both Chinese and English

(2) School-based Admission Mechanism

- When considering applications for Whole-day(WD)/Long WD services:
 - KGs should give due priority to families that require WD/LWD services (e.g. families with working parents, those who need to take care of family member(s) with disability at home, etc.)
 - Relevant conditions should be included in the admission criteria announced

Measures (2) School-based Admission Mechanism

KGs are required to upload the information below to the school website on or before <u>14 September 2023 (Thursday)</u> and/or via different channels to inform parents in advance.

Information on Admission Application

- Ways to distribute application forms
- Date and period for distribution of application forms
- Application procedure
- Application fee (if applicable)
- Ways to submit application forms
- Date and time for submission of application forms

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School-based Admission Mechanism

- Number of childapplicants to be interviewed
- Interview format and arrangements
- Admission criteria

Registration Procedure

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- Arrangements on announcement of admission results
- Centralised Registration Dates
- Arrangements on submission of a valid registration document and registration fee (including the amount)
- Arrangements on registration for children on waiting list
- Arrangements for children changing school after registration

Measures (2) School-based Admission Mechanism

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The link to the webpage indicating the KG's school information in the "Profile of KGs and KG-cum-Child Care Centres" The link to EDB's website on Admission Arrangements for Nursery (K1) Classes in Kindergartens 6

Other relevant information such as the introduction of the school and school fee information

(3) "Not More Than One Place for Each Child "Measure

- Premised on the principle that each child should only attend one KG, and for enabling children to have equal opportunities for receiving subsidised KG education as well as making good use of Government resources, regardless of the level (i.e. K1, K2, K3), all Scheme-KGs can only admit children with a valid registration document.
 - Scheme-KGs <u>can only</u> admit children holding a valid registration document.
 - If parents are unable to submit the valid registration document, <u>even if they are willing to</u> <u>pay full school fees</u>, the KG concerned <u>cannot</u> <u>admit their children</u>.

Registration Certificate for KG Admission

(Application starts from September)

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C 2024/25 school year

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C Other Identity Document:

No. & Name of Street

Local Contact Telephone No.

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- 4. If the child is <u>not</u> a child of yours, have you specified your relationship with the child in Part III of the application form with relevant supports (copy of the identity document are unbreviation later of fuller incoder of the child?)

Relevant terms on Personal Information Collection Statement in the application form of RC for the 2024/25 school year will be updated. Parents are reminded to use the latest version of the application form for completion.

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Sample - Application Form of Registration Certificate for KG Admission

Application forms can be obtained from District Offices, Post Offices, Regional Education Offices of EDB or downloaded from EDB's website

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Education Bureau The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE FOR KINDERGARTEN ADMISSION

(Parents are required to submit an application **between September and November 2023** for their child(ren) going to study in **Nursery Class (K1) in the 2024/25 school year**)

#Please circle the appropriate box

Part I

Particulars of Applicant (normally the applicant my the the parent of the child or else please specify in Part III with relevant supporting proofs)

* Optional to fill in

(Please read carefully the Guidance Notes before filling in the application form)

Parents are reminded to use the latest version of the application form (i.e. application for children going to study in nursery (K1) class in the 2024/25 s.y.).

Checklist for Submission of Application in paper form

- The application form, "Undertaking and Declaration" have been correctly filled in and duly signed
- Copy of the applicant's identity document has been attached
- Copy of the child-applicant's identity document has been attached
- If the child <u>is not</u> a child of yours, your relationship with the child has been specified in the application form with relevant supporting proofs (copy of the identity document and authorisation letter of father/mother of the child)
- The correspondence address in Hong Kong has been provided
- Sufficient stamp has been affixed to the envelope for mailing the application (Any underpaid mail items will be disposed of by the Hong Kong Post. Please note that EDB will issue an acknowledgement within 10 days starting from the date of receipt of the application.)
- A photocopy of the completed application form has been retained

Submission method

1. By post : Guidance Notes on Application for Registration Certificate for KG Admission – Page 6

Please forward copies of the necessary supporting documents together with the duly completed application form to EDB.

Correspondence Address

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Education Bureau P.O. Box 23179, Wan Chai Post Office, Hong Kong "Re. Application for Registration Certificate for Kindergarten Admission" "Acknowledgement of Application" will be issued to applicants within 10 working days from the date of receipt of the applications.

If a local mobile phone number is provided: acknowledgement by SMS; Otherwise, acknowledgement will be given in writing by post.

Please remember to attach copy of valid supporting documents, provide address and affix sufficient postage on the envelope.

 2. Drop-in box (drop-in in person; opening hours of drop-in box: Mondays to Fridays 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.): 14/F, Wu Chung House, 213 Queen's Road East, Wan Chai, HK [For enquires, please call EDB during working hours : Mondays to Fridays 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., closed on Saturdays, Sundays and Public holidays)]

Electronic application form for Registration Certificate for KG Admission

3. Online submission (<u>https://eform.cefs.gov.hk/form/edb005/en/</u>)

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Application for Registration Certificate for Kindergarten Admission

1) Introduction

2) Part I - Particulars of Applicant

3) Part II - Particulars of student(s)

Part III - Other Special Family Information 4) (Applicable for student who is NOT a child of yours)

5) Part IV - Language of Correspondence

6) Supporting Documents

7) Important Announcement

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Important Announcement

After submission of on-line application, applicant is required to submit the duly signed "Declaration and Undertaking" (the said document is enclosed in the acknowledgement slip and please download/ print it out) to the Kindergarten Administration 2 Section of Education Bureau (Address: P.O. Box 23179, Wan Chai Post Office, Hong Kong) within 10 working days to facilitate the Education Bureau in processing your applications.

Notes / Required items

- 1. Please refrain from using public computer to submit on-line application for the sake of personal data protection
- 2. In general, it takes 15-20 minutes to complete on-line application.
- Please make digital copy of identity documents (Format: jpg, jpeg, png or pdf; total size not more than 4.0mb) of applicant (i.e. parent/ guardian of student(s)) and student(s) ready before application.
- 4. For printing of "Acknowledge Slip" and the enclosed "Declaration and Undertaking" after completion of on-line application, please use computer device installed with a printer.
- 5. Please provide your email address if you want to receive acknowledgement email for future reference. (Note : "Declaration and Undertaking" will not be attached in the e-mail.)

Points to note for online submission

- Please make digital copy of identity documents (Format: jpg, jpeg, png or pdf; total size not more than 4.0mb) of applicant (i.e. parent/ guardian of children) and children ready before application.
 - For printing of "Acknowledge Slip" and the enclosed "Undertaking and Declaration" (if necessary) after online submission of electronic application form, please use computer device installed with a printer.
- Before submission, please ensure the electronic form has been correctly filled.

Points to note for online submission

- For applicant who chooses to use digital signing with "iAM Smart+", please make sure you have successfully upgraded to "iAM Smart+" beforehand (For details, please refer to "iAM Smart" website: <u>https://www.iamsmart.gov.hk/en/reg.html</u>).
- For applicant who chooses to submit duly signed "Undertaking and Declaration" by post, please submit the document (enclosed in the "Acknowledge Slip" and please download/ print it out) within 10 working days after submission of online application to the Kindergarten Administration 2 Section of the EDB (Address: P.O. Box 23179, Wan Chai Post Office, Hong Kong) to facilitate EDB in processing your application.
- Please provide your email address if you want to receive acknowledgement by email.

(3) "Not More Than One Place for Each Child "Measure Valid registration documents for 2024/25 school year

Registration Certificate for KG Admission (RC)

For children who are <u>eligible for</u> <u>receiving_subsidised</u> KG education



The children must be Hong Kong residents with right of abode, right to land or valid permission to remain without any condition of stay (other than the limit of stay) in Hong Kong.

In general, the validity period of RC is three years.

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Registration Certificate for KG Admission (RC)

For children who are <u>eligible for</u> <u>receiving subsidised</u> KG education

- If parents arrange for their children to receive KG education for more than 3 years due to personal consideration (e.g. individual conditions of the children, family factors, changing schools, etc.), the parents have to pay the full school fees before deduction of subsidy under the Scheme.

Application for extension of validity period of RC <u>will only be</u> considered by EDB on case-by-case basis for students with special needs. The applicant <u>must provide relevant proof</u>, for example, an assessment report issued by the relevant registered medical practitioner or professional (e.g. paediatrician, psychiatrist, educational psychologist, clinical psychologist, etc.), confirming special needs of the child for pursuing KG education for a period longer than the normal three years.

 KGs should <u>inform the parents of the above-mentioned points to note</u> <u>in writing</u> (Template of the notice is at Appendix 2 of "Guidelines on Kindergarten Admission Arrangements for the 2024/25 School Year.") when the parents show intention in arranging their children to receive KG education for more than 3 years.

(3) "Not More Than One Place for Each Child "Measure Valid registration documents for 2024/25 school year

Registration Certificate for KG Admission (RC) For children who are <u>eligible for</u> <u>receiving subsidised</u> KG education

- For a Scheme-KG to be disbursed with subsidy for a month, an eligible student studying in that KG must have attended classes in that month.
 - In general, if students have been absent from school for an entire month (i.e. absent for all school days of a specific month), subsidy in respect of the student for that month would not be disbursed to the KG concerned; parents are required to pay full school fees before deduction of subsidy under the Scheme as shown on the "Fees Certificate" of the KG to which the child is admitted.

Measures (3) "Not More Than One Place for Each Child "Measure Valid registration documents for 2024/25 school year

Registration Certificate for KG Admission (RC)

For children who are eligible for receiving subsidised KG education

• If there are any special circumstances (e.g. absence due to illness for the entire month), upon receipt of justifications documentary proof (covering all school days of the absent month) from parents, schools may apply to EDB for subsidy. Each case would be considered on its individual merits. Take another example, if the whole-month absence of students involves touring, disbursement of subsidy for these cases would not be considered.

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Sample - Registration Certificate for KG Admission (For children who are eligible for receiving subsidised KG education)

編號:22XXXXX Serial No:

<u>幼稚園入學註冊證</u> Registration Certificate for Kindergarten Admission

此註冊證供以下學童登記入讀幼稚園之用。 This Registration Certificate serves as the registration document for kindergarten admission for the following student.

中文姓名:陳大文

English Name: Chan Tai Man

證件類別/編號 Document Type / No.:

香港出生證明書

Hong Kong Birth Certificate / SXXXXXXX

出生日期 Date of Birth (dd/mm/yyyy): XX/XX/2021

[本註冊證在 2024/25 學年起開始生效, 直至 2026/27 學年完結為止。

The Registration Certificate is valid from the start of the 2024/25 school year up to the end of the 2026/27 school year.]

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1/11/2023

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In general, the validity period of RC is three years.

3) "Not More Than One Place for Each Child "Measure Valid registration documents for 2024/25 school year

Kindergarten Admission Pass (AP)



For children who are <u>NOT eligible for</u> <u>receiving subsidised</u> KG education

E.g. :

- Non-local children (who can receive education in HK upon obtaining permission from the Director of Immigration) :
 - holder of a form of recognizance
 - whose parent(s) is/are holding a student visa
- Students who receive the 4th year of
 KG education but NOT approved for
 extending the validity period of RC

Sample - Kindergarten Admission Pass (For children who are NOT eligible for receiving subsidised KG education)

編號: 22XXXXX Serial No:

幼稚園入學許可書 Kindergarten Admission Pass

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中文姓名: 陳大文

English Name : CHAN TAI MAN

證件類別/編號 Document Type / No. :

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Hong Kong Birth Certificate / SXXXXXXX

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(3) "Not More Than One Place for Each Child "Measure

- **RC** / AP must be submitted to KG during the Centralised Registration Dates and <u>retained</u> by the KGs until the respective children finish their studies.
- Parents are required to apply to EDB for the RC from September to November 2023. Details on application will be announced in or before September this year and uploaded onto EDB's website. (Admission Arrangements for Nursery (K1) Classes in Kindergartens for the 2024/25 School Year – 4. Application for Registration Certificate for Kindergarten Admission)
- Upon receipt of the applications with all necessary information and documents provided, <u>EDB</u> will generally take six to eight weeks to complete processing of the applications and issue the <u>RC</u> to applicants who are eligible for receiving subsidy under the Scheme by <u>post.</u>
- If a child cannot obtain an RC as he/she can receive education in Hong Kong but <u>is not</u> eligible for receiving subsidy under the Scheme :
- The EDB will issue an AP to the child concerned.
- Children can use AP for registration and admission to a Scheme-KG.
- Parents are required to pay full school fees before deduction of subsidy under the Scheme as shown on the Fees Certificate

Provisional Registration Letter

(Application starts from November)

- Mainly <u>for provisional registration</u> when transferring to another KG/ repeating K1 in the same KG
- Must be replaced by <u>RC or AP</u> on or before the 1st day of officially attending the KG
- Call EDB hotline for more details if necessary

Application procedure – Points to note

- Parents should collect and submit application forms in accordance with the requirements of individual KGs.
 - Scheme-KGs cannot collect fees exceeding the approved ceilings. Approved ceiling of application fee is \$40.

Registration procedure – Points to note

- To complete the registration, parents are required to submit the following items to the KG concerned during the Centralised Registration Dates (i.e. 4-6 January 2024)
 - RC / AP
 - Registration fee

KGs should not require parents to complete the registration procedure, or pay the registration fee or other fees (e.g. for purchasing school uniforms, tea and snacks, etc.) in any forms before the Centralised Registration Dates.

- Scheme-KGs cannot collect registration fees exceeding the approved ceilings:
 - Half-day session : \$970
 - Whole-day session: \$1,570
- Should parents intend to change to another KG after registration, they should get back the registration document from the KG that they have registered with. The KGs should return the registration document to the parents as soon as possible. Normally, registration fee paid will not be refunded.
- The registration fee must be refunded to any child who pays the registration fee and subsequently takes up the place within the 1st month of the school year concerned after receiving the 1st installment of the school fee from the child, if any.

Registration procedure – Points to note

- If parents decide to defer K1 study of their children for one year (i.e. 2025/26 school year) with regard to their own circumstances, they should return the RC to the EDB stating that the RC should be voided. Parents can resubmit an application in the next year, the EDB will reissue an RC with a validity period of 3 years (starting from the 2025/26 school year)
- Please note that the returned RC must have not been used for receiving subsidised KG education.

Admission Support for Non-Chinese Speaking (NCS) Children

- **Equal opportunities** for admission to KGs must be provided by KGs for all children (regardless of their race, gender and ability).
- KGs must provide both Chinese and English versions of the relevant information on K1 Admission Arrangements.
- To facilitate parents of NCS children in obtaining the English version of information, parents can note the icon or simple message in English on the home page of the school website. Parents can also browse relevant information from the links to the English version of EDB's website on K1 Admission Arrangements in KGs and the webpage indicating the KG's school information in the "Profile of KGs and KG-cum-Child Care Centres" on the school website. KGs should provide the information on their support to NCS children, enquiry telephone number and email address for parents of NCS children on the school website.

If interviews are arranged for NCS children/parents, KGs should arrange interpretation and/or translation service for applicants as necessary, or allow parents and children to be accompanied by a Chinese speaking relative/friend during the interview to facilitate communication. KGs <u>should state explicitly the above-mentioned interview</u> <u>arrangements on the school website</u> to inform parents of NCS children that the above assistance could be offered. Parents can take the initiative to seek assistance from KGs for arrangement of relevant services when necessary.

Centre for Harmony and Enhancement of Ethnic Minority Residents (CHEER Centre)

- Free-of-charge telephone interpretation service in ethnic minority languages provided by the Home Affairs Department-funded "Centre for Harmony and Enhancement of Ethnic Minority Residents (CHEER)". The telephone interpretation service hotlines are:
 - 3755 6811 (Bahasa Indonesian) 3755 6855 (Tagalog)
 - 3755 6822 (Nepali)
 - 3755 6833 (Urdu)
 - 3755 6844 (Punjabi)

- 3755 6866 (Thai)
- 3755 6877 (Hindi)



- Centre for Harmony and Enhancement of Ethnic Minority Residents
- 3755 6888 (Vietnamese)

Other interpretation and translation services:

- Schools can contact CHEER direct to gain more understanding on the relevant services if deemed necessary. Please refer to the following webpage for details:
- http://hkcscheer.net/interpretation-and-translation-services

(4) Admission Support for Non-Chinese Speaking Children

Parents of NCS children are encouraged to send their children to KGs with an immersed Chinese language environment as early as possible to facilitate their learning of the Chinese language. In this connection, the Government has put in place a series of support measures for NCS children in KGs.

The leaflet on Support for Non-Chinese Speaking Children has been produced to introduce the relevant measures. The above-mentioned leaflet in different languages of diverse races can be downloaded from EDB's website: <u>https://www.edb.gov.hk/k1-admission_e</u> (Path: Education System and Policy > Kindergarten Education > Admission Arrangements for Nursery(K1) Classes in Kindergartens >Admission Arrangements for Nursery (K1) Classes in Kindergartens for the 2024/25 School Year - 11.Related Support for Non-Chinese Speaking Children)

More information/resources on related support for NCS children is available on the above website.

(4) Admission Support for Non-Chinese Speaking Children Leaflet on Support for Non-Chinese Speaking Children

(EDB's website >Education System and Policy >KG Education>Admission Arrangements for Nursery (K1) Classes in Kindergartens >Admission Arrangements for Nursery (K1) Classes in Kindergartens for the 2024/25 School Year- 11. Related Support for Non-Chinese Speaking Children)



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Kindergarten Education Policy Support for Non-Chinese Speaking Children

Non-Chinese speaking (NCS) children's early start in learning the Chinese language will facilitate their adoptation to aministream curriculum and integration into the local community. Parents of NCS children are encouraged to send their children to kindergraters (KGS) with an immersed Chinese language environment as early as possible to facilitate their learning of the Chinese language. In this connection, the Government has rolled out a series of support measures for NCS children in KGs.



Admission to KGs

- All KGs must ensure equal opportunities in admission for all children regardless of their race, gender and ability and their school-based admission mechanism should be fair, just, open and comply with the anti-discrimination ordinances.
- Kes are reminded to provide both Chinese and English versions of their application forms and relevant information, and to create an icon or provide a simple message in English on the school webpage to facilitate parent's access to the English version of the information. KGs are also reminded to state explicitly on the school website that if interviews are arranged to INCS children. KGs should arrange interpretation and/or translation service for applicants where necessary or allow parents and children to be accompanied by a Chinese speaking relative/fittend during the information on the school's support to NGS children, enquiry telephone number and email address for parents of NCS children on the school website.
- Parent seminars on Nursery (K1) admission are organised for parents of NCS children annually. Interpretation service is provided as appropriate.
- Relevant materials published by Education Bureau (EDB), such as leaflats, posters, application form and guidance notes on "Application for Registration Certificate for KG Admission" as well as the subtilles of publicity announcements, have been translated into languages of diverse race.
- The KG Profile, which is published in both English and Chinese, provides a wide range of school information, including support to NCS students, which serves as useful reference for parents in making school choices.
- Should individual NCS children encounter genuine difficulties in seeking admission to KGs, EDB will make referrals, as appropriate, to KGs joining the KG education scheme (Scheme-KGs) that have vacancies.

Catering for NCS Students' Needs

- To support KGs in catering for the needs of NCS students. different school-based support services are offered. KGs admitting NCS students may apply for the relevant services according to their school development needs.
- Professional training programmes are offered for KG teachers on teaching and learning of Chinese for NCS students.
- Stating from the 2019/20 school year, we have refined the additional subsidy on support to NCS students. A 5-tered subsidy is provided to Scheme-KGs according to the number of NCS students admitted to facilitate their support for NCS students. (KS admitting 1 NCS student also receive the subsidy. The full-year provision of the highest tier in the 2021/22 school year's about \$800.000.

- To help KGs strengthen communication with parents of NCS students, a set of Communication Cue Cards with audio files and a set of templates for commonly used school circulars have been translated into languages of diverse race for use of KGs.
- The KG Education Curriculum Guide sets out the direction and principles for facilitating the integration of NCS students into the local school settings, as well as introducing specific strategies and relevant resources on how teachers can help NCS students learn Chinese.

Other Information

For further information or assistance, please contact EDB:

Telephones of Regional Educational Offices:							
(HK) 2863 4646	(NTE) 2	2639 4876					
(KLN) 3698 4108	(NTW) 2	2437 7272					
Telephone of Joint Office for Kindergartens and Child Care Centres:							
3107	2197						
Hotline for parents of NCS children on admission to KGs:							
2892	6676						
Other releva	ant websites						
KG Education Sch http://www.edb.gov.hk/free-q		en aver					
Admission Arrangeme Nursery (K1) Classes http://www.edb.gov.hk/k1	in KGs						
KG Profile http://www.chsc.hk/kind	lergarten/en						

Education Services for NCS Students

http://www.edb.gov.hk/ncs





(4) Admission Support for Non-Chinese Speaking Children

- The earlier the NCS children began schooling or received support in learning, the more effective their learning will be.
- NCS children studying at KGs with Chinese as the medium of instruction (MOI) performed significantly better in the Chinese Language compared to NCS children studying at KGs with English as MOI.
- Parents are encouraged to make good use of children's prime time in learning the Chinese language and consider schools with a language-rich environment which would facilitate children's learning of the Chinese language with authentic, meaningful and developmentally appropriate language learning experiences through try-outs, exploration and interpersonal interactions.

(5) Release of Vacancy Information

- The EDB will collect information from KGs on K1 vacancies in the 2024/25 school year about a week after the Centralised Registration Dates through an electronic platform, and publish a list of KGs in various districts in late January 2024.
- Only the vacancy situation of individual KGs will be released but not the number of vacancy of individual KGs.

Scho	ol Name	Telephone	Vacancies			
1.	AAA KG	XXXX XXXX	Y			
2.	BBB KG	XXXX XXXX	Ν			
3.	CCC KG	XXXX XXXX	Р			

 Y – With vacancy
 N – Without vacancy
 P – Applications on the waiting list being processed

(6) Referral arrangements for children

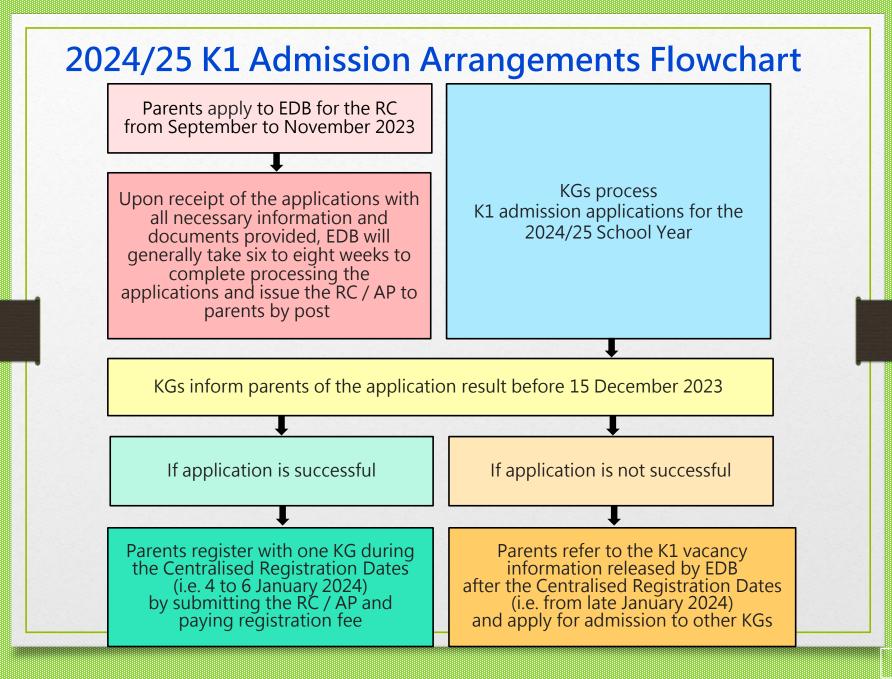
KG student admission is a school-based matter

- Parents apply for a K1 place by themselves in accordance with their children's needs; and
- The EDB provides relevant information to support parents

Under special circumstances, EDB will make referrals as appropriate if individual children (i.e. those at risk of developmental delay and NCS children) encounter difficulties in applying for admission :

- K1 Places for 2024/25 s.y. : Starting from April 2024
- K2 & K3 Places for 2024/25 s.y. : Starting from July 2024
- By the Regional Education Offices and the Joint Office for Kindergartens and Child Care Centres

2024/25 K1 Admission Arrangements Flowchart



Profile of Kindergartens and Kindergarten-cum-Child Care Centres



Enquiry EDB –



Website : <u>https://www.edb.gov.hk/k1-admission_e</u>

Hotline: 3540 6808 / 3540 6811

Hotline for parents of NCS children : 2892 6676

Mondays to Fridays	8:30 am to 1:00 pm 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm
Saturdays, Sundays & Public Holidays	Closed

- 24-hour automatic telephone enquiry system : 2891 0088
- The Regional Education Offices or the Joint Office for Kindergartens and Child Care Centre

Thank You !

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- Simultaneous interpretation services used: Hindi / Nepali / Urdu / N/A
- Ethnicity: Chinese / Filipino / Indonesian / Japanese / Korean / Thai / Indian / Pakistani / Bangladeshi / Sri-Lankan / Vietnamese / Nepalese / Others

Parent Seminar Admission Arrangements for Nursery (K1) Classes in Kindergartens for the 2024/25 School Year 22 July 2023 (3:30 - 5:30 p.m.) Code: 2220

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	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly agree	
1. The date of the seminar is appropriate.	1	2	3	4	5	
2. The duration of the seminar is appropriate.	1	2	3	4	5	
3. The venue and facilities are appropriate.	1	2	3	4	5	
4. The content of the seminar is useful.	1	2	3	4	5	
5. The translated materials/ leaflets are useful.	1	2	3	4	5	N/A
6. The simultaneous interpretation services are effective.	1	2	3	4	5	N/A
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