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To: Principals of Secondary Schools
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Test Schedule for Pre-Secondary One Hong Kong Attainment Test 2026

Purpose

The purpose of this circular memorandum is to inform schools of the tentative test schedule for the Pre-Secondary One Hong Kong Attainment Test (Pre-S1 HKAT) 2026.

Details of the Test

2. The Pre-S1 HKAT facilitates secondary schools to identify the strengths and weaknesses of their Secondary One (S1) entrants in Chinese Language, English Language and Mathematics so that appropriate support measures could be introduced.

3. Starting from 2006, the sampled results of Pre-S1 HKAT have been used as the scaling tool in the Secondary School Places Allocation (SSPA) System to scale the internal assessment results of the coming cohort of Primary Six students proceeding to S1. The EDB will collect sampled results of the test in 2026.

4. The EDB will construct a set of test papers, together with marking schemes, for the subjects of Chinese Language, English Language and Mathematics. Schools are required to conduct the Pre-S1 HKAT on the first Tuesday after the release of the SSPA results and registration of S1 entrants. The Pre-S1 HKAT 2026 is tentatively scheduled for 14 July 2026.

5. Pre-S1 HKAT 2026 is a secure test. The arrangements of distribution and return of test materials will be similar to the arrangements in 2025. Details of test arrangements will be announced in the 2025/26 school year.

Enquiries

6. For enquiries, please contact Ms Bobo CHAN at 2892 6630 or Mr Nathan LAM at 2892 6606 of the Research and Test Development Section.

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