

Education support measures for non-Chinese speaking (NCS) students and their parents

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Overview of education support measures for NCS students and their parents		
1. Educational support measures for NCS students and their parents have been uploaded to the Bureau’s dedicated webpage	Dedicated webpage on education services for NCS students: https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/student-parents/ncs-students/about-ncs-students/index.html	Please refer to the information below for relevant section.
2. Relevant education services information is available in Chinese, English and languages of diverse races for reference of NCS students and their parents	Brief on Education Support Measures for NCS Students: https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/student-parents/ncs-students/about-ncs-students/index.html#:~:text=Brief%20on%20Education,%C2%A0%20%C2%A0%20%C2%A0Vietnamese	
Chinese Language learning		
3. Development of the “Chinese Language Curriculum Second Language Learning Framework” (“Learning Framework”) and the supporting learning and teaching materials	- Chinese Language Curriculum Second Language Learning Framework - Chinese Language Curriculum Second Language Learning Framework Dedicated Homepage: https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/curriculum-development/kla/chi-edu/second-lang.html - Online Chinese Language Self-learning Resources for NCS Students: https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/curriculum-development/kla/chi-edu/second-lang/student.html - Chinese Talent Competition for NCS Students: https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/curriculum-development/kla/chi-edu/second-lang/activities.html	Chinese Language Education Section 2892 6309 (Primary schools) 2892 5893 (Secondary schools)

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4. Development of the “Chinese Language Curriculum Second Language Adapted Learning Framework (for NCS Students with Intellectual Disabilities)” (“Adapted Framework”) and the supporting learning and teaching materials (for special schools).	- Chinese Language Curriculum Second Language Adapted Learning Framework (for NCS Students with Intellectual Disabilities) - Teaching resources with examples for designing modules for Chinese learning of NCS students with intellectual disabilities (2021): https://www.edb.gov.hk/tc/curriculum-development/curriculum-area/special-educational-needs/curriculum-sec-lang-alframework/index.html	Special Educational Needs Section 2892 6524 / 2892 6418
Professional development of teachers		
5. Provision of training programmes for Chinese Language teachers teaching NCS students	- Provision of teacher training on Chinese Language Education: https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/curriculum-development/kla/chi-edu/teacher-training.html - Provision of training programmes for Chinese Language teachers teaching NCS students with intellectual disabilities: https://www.edb.gov.hk/tc/curriculum-development/curriculum-area/special-educational-needs/curriculum-sec-lang-alframework/index.html	Chinese Language Education Section 2892 6309 (Primary schools) 2892 5893 (Secondary schools) *** Special Educational Needs Section 2892 6524 / 2892 6418 (Special schools)
6. Provision of school-based support services to enhance teachers’ professional capability in teaching NCS students	Dedicated webpage on school-based support services: https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/edu-system/primary-secondary/applicable-to-primary-secondary/sbss/index.html	School-based Professional Support Section 2152 3603

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Additional funding support		
7. Provision of funding for schools according to the number of NCS students admitted to facilitate schools' implementation of the Learning Framework / Adapted Framework and support for NCS students' learning of Chinese, as well as the creation of an inclusive learning environment in schools	Education Bureau (EDB) Circular No. 8/2020 "New Funding Arrangements for Enhancing Support for Learning and Teaching Chinese for Non-Chinese Speaking Students"	Non-Chinese Speaking Student Support and Education Commission Section (Team 2) 3509 8569 / 3509 8572 (For primary and secondary schools admitting 1 to 9 NCS students and special schools admitting 1 to 5 NCS students) *** Non-Chinese Speaking Student Support and Education Commission Section (Team 1) 3509 7523 / 3509 8771 / 3509 7554 (For primary and secondary schools admitting 10 or more NCS students and special schools admitting 6 or more NCS students)
8. Provision of funding under a 3-tiered structure for public sector ordinary primary and secondary schools and Direct Subsidy Scheme schools admitting NCS students with special educational needs	EDB Circular No. 9/2019 "Grant for Supporting Non-Chinese Speaking Students with Special Educational Needs"	Primary schools: Special Education Support 3 Section 3698 3732 Secondary schools: Special Education Support 4 Section 2307 0401

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Articulation to multiple pathways		
9. Commissioning non-governmental organisations to organise career exploration activities for NCS students to help them make informed choices about further studies and career pursuits, set personal goals and plan their future	Dedicated webpage on Business-School Partnership Programme: https://careerguidance.edb.hkedcity.net/en/activity/activities-all?key=ncsstudent&value=1	Life Planning Education Section 3698 4126
10. Provision of Student Grant for Applied Learning Chinese (for NCS students)	EDB Circular Memorandum No. 48/2025 “Applied Learning Courses (2026-28 Cohort; 2028 HKDSE)”	Applied Learning Section 3698 3177
11. Subsidising eligible NCS school candidates entering for the Chinese Language examinations under the General Certificate of Secondary Education (GCSE), the International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE), and the General Certificate of Education (GCE) Advanced Subsidiary Level and Advanced Level, to facilitate their articulation to multiple pathways	- EDB Circular No. 23/2009 “Education Support for Non-Chinese Speaking Students - Reduction of Examination Fee Level of the General Certificate of Secondary Education (Chinese) Examination” - EDB Circular No. 19/2012 “Education Support for Non-Chinese Speaking Students Expanded Examination Subsidy” - Information on the acceptance of alternative qualification(s) in Chinese Language for Joint University Programmes Admissions System (JUPAS) admission https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/student-parents/ncs-students/about-ncs-students/jupas-admission.html	Non-Chinese Speaking Student Support and Education Commission Section (Team 2) 3509 8572 / 3509 8573
Parent education programmes and support for parents of NCS students		
12. Provision of a series of parent education programmes for	“Parent Education Resource Booklet for Parents of Non-	Home-School Co-operation and Parent

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parents of NCS students, to help them support their children's learning, encourage their children to master the Chinese language, and help them have a more comprehensive understanding of the multiple pathways available to their children; launching “Parent Education Resource Booklet for Parents of Non-Chinese Speaking Students” to equip parents of NCS students to support the learning and whole-person development of their children	Chinese Speaking Students” Information on NCS parent education programmes: https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/student-parents/ncs-students/support-to-parents-and-students/index.html	Education Section 3698 4376
13. Information on school choices for parents is available in Chinese, English and languages of diverse races. Dedicated briefing sessions with simultaneous interpretation services for parents of NCS students are organised to introduce the admission arrangements for Primary 1 and Secondary 1 of public sector schools	- Information on Primary One Admission System: https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/edu-system/primary-secondary/spa-systems/primary-1-admission/index.html - Information on Secondary School Places Allocation System https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/edu-system/primary-secondary/spa-systems/secondary-spa/general-info/index.html	School Places Allocation Section 2832 7700 (Primary One Admission System) 2832 7740 (Secondary School Places Allocation System)
Other supplementary measures		
14. Organising Summer Bridging Programme for NCS students in primary schools, which engages parents of participating NCS students for more effective learning of Chinese through parental support and home-school co-	- EDB Circular Memorandum No. 79/2025 “Summer Bridging Programme for Non-Chinese Speaking Students” - Information on Summer bridging programme for NCS students: https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/student-parents/ncs-students/support-to-parents/ncs-students/support-to-parents-and-students/index.html	Non-Chinese Speaking Student Support and Education Commission Section (Team 1) 3509 8565 / 3509 7554

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operation	to-school/summer-bridging-programme/summer-bridging-programme.html	
15. To facilitate Primary 6 NCS students to adapt to the learning of Chinese in secondary schools, EDB has uploaded a leaflet on “Challenges of Learning Chinese for NCS Students Progressing to Secondary Schools” to EDB webpage. The content of the leaflet provides the available online Chinese self-learning resources for NCS students as well as information for parents of NCS students to support their children in Chinese learning	Leaflet on “Challenges of Learning Chinese for NCS Students Progressing to Secondary Schools”: https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/student-parents/ncs-students/support-to-school/summer-bridging-programme/summer-bridging-programme.html	Non-Chinese Speaking Student Support and Education Commission Section (Team 1) 3509 8565 / 3509 7554
16. Organising district-based programmes in collaboration with non-governmental organisations under the Language Fund to motivate NCS children to learn Chinese through activities such as games and creative art	Information on Project on Supporting non-Chinese Speaking Children in Learning Chinese: https://scolarkhk.edb.hkedcity.net/en/promotion_of_languages/promotion-of-languages-program.php?id=147	Language Education and SCOLAR Section 3165 1184
17. Development of “The Adapted Framework of the Chinese History Curriculum (Secondary 1-3) (2019) (for NCS Students)” and the supporting learning and teaching materials	Learning and Teaching Resources: Junior Secondary Chinese History (For Non-Chinese Speaking Students): https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/curriculum-development/kla/pshe/references-and-resources/chinese-history_ncs/Junior_Secondary_Ch	Personal, Social and Humanities Education Section 2 3540 6829

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