



Secondary One Admission

Arrangements under the Secondary School Places Allocation (SSPA) System

Admission to Secondary One (S1) in September of next school year

- · Application for discretionary places takes place in January each year
- Students should apply to the preferred school direct
- · There is no restriction on districts. Each student may apply to not more than two schools participating in SSPA, otherwise his/her chance of acquiring a discretionary place will be forfeited

Wish to be allocated a subsidised S1 place

Participate in the SSPA System

Requirements:

- · Being a Hong Kong resident
- · Studying in a primary school participating in the SSPA System
- · Never been allocated an S1 place

Apply for a discretionary place

Not apply for a discretionary place

- · Based on student's allocation band, parental choice of schools and random number. allocation is conducted through a computerised process
- · Students who are successful in securing a discretionary place will not be allocated a place in central allocation

Fill in Choice of **Schools Form**

Central Allocation

 Application allocation normally takes place each year between April and Discretionary Places Stage

Central Allocation Stage

• Students may choose from any school net (including the one to which they belong) a maximum of three secondary schools, and within their net a maximum of 30 schools

Release of SSPA Results and Registration (Mid July)





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Enquiry

Parents seeking further information on SSPA may contact the School Places Allocation Section of FDB.

Address: Office 2, 2/F, Manulife Financial Centre,

223 Wai Yip Street, Kwun Tong,

Kowloon

Telephone No.: 2832 7740 / 2832 7700

Website: http://www.edb.gov.hk/en/edusystem/primary-secondary/spa-sy stems/secondary-spa/general-info /index.html



Other Arrangements for Secondary One Admission

For students who are not studying in a primary school participating in the SSPA System, if they wish to be admitted to Secondary One in the new school year (usually starting on September 1), irrespective of whether they have applied for a discretionary place, they can register with the School Places Allocation Section of EDB from May to August, bringing along the originals of their identity documents, for allocation of a subsidised Secondary One place.

For children seeking admission to Secondary One after the school year has begun (i.e. on or after September 1), they should approach the nearest Regional Education Office for placement assistance with the following documents (both originals and photocopies):

- · identity documents;
- proof of attained academic qualifications;
 and
- proof of residential address.

For the addresses and telephone numbers of the Regional Education Offices, please refer to page 14.

Apart from government or aided schools, students may choose to study in private schools, international schools or Direct Subsidy Scheme schools not participating in the SSPA system. These schools have their own criteria, timetables and administrative arrangements for admission. Parents wishing to enroll their children in these schools should approach the schools direct for information and application.

