



# Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) on DSA-Sec (Year 1)

#### **Dear Parents & Guardians**

We thank you very much for your interest in the ACS (Independent) Direct School Admission (DSA)-Sec Exercise. It is our hope that this FAQ will help to answer the questions you may have. You may also wish to access the school website <a href="https://www.acsindep.moe.edu.sg/admissions/dsa-year-1/">https://www.acsindep.moe.edu.sg/admissions/dsa-year-1/</a> for more information.

While we understand that you may be anxious about the outcome of your son's application, there is no need to call to enquire about the status of your application. We assure you that all applicants will be duly notified about the DSA-Sec outcome: successful students will be contacted by telephone from the 1<sup>st</sup> week of September; and unsuccessful applicants will be informed via email by 11 September. Please note that no appeals will be entertained. We ask for your patience and understanding in this matter.

ACS (Independent) DSA-Sec Committee

### A. Questions relating to DSA Application

#### A1. What is DSA?

DSA stands for Direct School Admission. The Direct School Admission (DSA)-Sec exercise provides students with the opportunity to seek admission to a secondary school, based on a diverse range of specific academic and non-academic achievements and talents that they can demonstrate beyond the Primary School Leaving Examination (PSLE). Participation in DSA-Sec is optional. Primary 6 students who do not want to participate in the DSA-Sec will continue to seek admission based on their PSLE score through the MOE Secondary 1 (S1) Posting.

Students who wish to participate in Anglo-Chinese School (Independent)'s DSA-Sec exercise are required to apply through the online MOE DSA-Sec Portal that will be opened from 4 May 2023, 11am to 31 May 2023, 3pm. Applicants can opt for Singapore-Cambridge Secondary Education Certificate (SEC) Programme, Integrated Programme (IP) or No Preference (i.e., to be considered for both SEC Programme and IP).

- Singapore-Cambridge Secondary Education Certificate (SEC) Programme is a four-year course which leads to the Singapore-Cambridge Secondary Education Certificate.
- Integrated Programme (IP) is a six-year through train course which leads to the International Baccalaureate Diploma.

Students who are successfully admitted to the school via DSA are expected to honour their commitment to the school and programme and participate in the activities related to the talent they are selected for from Year 1 to 4. If they are not able to fulfil the DSA commitment without valid reason, they may be required to transfer out to another school. Hence, please consider carefully before you accept an offer to be admitted to a school through DSA-Sec. DSA-Sec SEC Programme and DSA-Sec IP students are expected to remain in the DSA school for 4 years and 6 years respectively.

### A2. How do you select the students? What do you look out for?

For DSA-Sec SEC Programme and IP, students will be selected based on their Primary 5 academic results or equivalent results from 2022 and ability in talent domains: Badminton, Basketball, Bowling, Canoeing, Cricket, Cross Country, Golf, Humanities, International Chess, Mathematics,

Music Elective Programme, Robotics, Rugby, Sailing, Science, Shooting, Softball, Squash, Swimming, Tennis, Track and Field and Water Polo.

Records in the MOE DSA-Sec Portal to be considered for selection includes national age group rankings and/or results from national inter-primary school competitions and/or results from other competitions sanctioned by the respective National Sports Associations or relevant competition organisers. Physical fitness test results, experience, qualifications and participation in the Cocurricular Activities (CCAs) will also be considered.

For Badminton, Basketball, Bowling, Cricket, Cross Country, Rugby, Softball, Squash, Tennis, Track and Field and Water Polo, all applicants must participate in our talent selection trials. For details on talent selection trial date, time and venue, please refer to the document titled '2023 DSA-Sec Talent Selection Trials for 2024 Year 1 Intake'.

For Canoeing, International Chess, Sailing and Swimming, we do not conduct selection trials and records from MOE DSA-Sec Portal will be used for consideration.

For Golf, applicants must have a Golf handicap of not more than 18. Shortlisted applicants will be contacted for interviews/selection trials.

For Humanities, Mathematics and Science, shortlisted applicants will be contacted for interviews.

For Music Elective Programme, shortlisted applicants will be contacted for auditions. The audition dates are 28 June 2023 (Wed) or 5 July 2023 (Wed) at 3 pm in ACS(I) Music Room 1, Yellow Level 4 (old block) where clock tower is located.

For Robotics, shortlisted applicants will be contacted for selection trial. The selection trial date is 1 July 2023 (Sat) from 9 am to 11:30 am in ACS(I) Auditorium 1, Red Level 3 (old block) where clock tower is located.

For Shooting, applicants should preferably have prior shooting experience and have taken part in Singapore Cup (Monthly Shoot). Shortlisted applicants will be contacted for interviews/selection trials.

There is no need for applicants to contact our teachers. After 15 June 2023, our teachers will contact the applicants for talent selection trials, interviews or auditions, where applicable. All talent selection trials, interviews and auditions will adhere to safe management principles and the prevailing Safe Management Measures and Guidelines for CCAs and school activities.

Meeting all the criteria does not guarantee the student will be shortlisted/ given an offer.

# A3. Are students who are not studying in the Singapore local schools eligible to apply for the DSA? I am not sitting for PSLE; can I apply for DSA? How and when do I apply?

Yes, you can participate in the DSA-Sec exercise. However, you need to obtain a Registration Number (RGxxxxxxx) via MOE DSA Website (online form) to access the online MOE DSA-Sec Portal. Please refer to MOE website at <a href="https://go.gov.sg/nmsdsa-sec-application">https://go.gov.sg/nmsdsa-sec-application</a>. Such students include returning Singaporeans, international (foreign) students studying overseas or in local international schools, students in Special Education Schools (e.g., Pathlight) and home-schoolers. For all shortlisted international (foreign) students, please be reminded that you are required to take and fulfil the requirements of the Admission Exercise for International Students (AEIS) test conducted by the MOE to be successful in DSA.

#### A4. When and how do I apply for DSA?

Below are the details of applying through the online MOE DSA-Sec Portal:

- a) **Cost** Free of charge.
- b) Application Period From 4 May 2023, 11am to 31 May 2023, 3pm.

### c) Authentication -

- Applicants studying in MOE mainstream primary schools: only one parent's SingPass is needed to log in to MOE weblink <a href="https://go.gov.sg/apply-dsa-sec">https://go.gov.sg/apply-dsa-sec</a>. If parent/guardian is unable to apply online, they can approach the child's primary school for assistance.
- Applicant NOT studying in MOE mainstream primary schools: You need to apply for a Registration Number (RGxxxxxxx) via MOE DSA Website (online form) in order to access the MOE DSA-Sec Portal. Please refer to MOE weblink at <a href="https://go.gov.sg/nmsdsa-sec-application">https://go.gov.sg/nmsdsa-sec-application</a>. Such students include returning Singaporeans, international (foreign) students studying overseas or in local international schools, students in Special Education Schools (e.g., Pathlight) and home-schoolers. All successful international (foreign) students are reminded to register and take part in the Admission Exercise for International Students (AEIS) test conducted by the MOE as the offers given to them remain as conditional offers until they fulfill the requirements of the AEIS.
- d) <u>Choices</u> An applicant can apply up to three choices. Each choice consists of a secondary school and a talent area offered by that secondary school.
- e) <u>Maximum choices for each DSA-Sec school</u> Of the three choices, an applicant may use a
  maximum of two choices to apply to the same school, for two different talent areas of that
  school.
- f) <u>Dual track school</u> For each talent area, applicants are required to indicate their preference for SEC Programme, Integrated Programme (IP) or No Preference (i.e., to be considered for SEC Programme and IP). The school may offer the applicants a track that is different from their indicated preference, based on the school's assessment of their suitability. It is recommended to indicate "No Preference" so that you can have 2 considerations, i.e., SEC Programme and IP.
- g) <a href="Information to provide">Information to provide</a> To make the application easier, applicants will only need to provide (i) choice of schools and talent areas and (ii) contact details. An optional field will also be provided for applicants to indicate up to 10 non-school-based activities and achievements they may have participated in. Applicants studying in MOE mainstream primary schools will have their primary school information such as their Primary 5 to Primary 6 academic results, other information from Primary 4 to Primary 6 i.e., Cocurricular Activities (CCA), Values in Action (VIA) involvement, School-based achievements and awards such as Edusave awards, National School Games and Junior Sports Academy participation, shared directly with the DSA-Sec secondary schools that they apply to.

### A5. Can I apply for DSA in other schools too?

Each applicant is eligible to apply to a maximum of three DSA-Sec schools. Each applicant applying to the same school is eligible to select two different talent areas in that school. Parents and students are encouraged to choose schools wisely based on the student's aptitudes and strengths, bearing in mind the schools' academic and non-academic requirements, and the programmes available to develop the area of talent. In addition, students in MOE mainstream primary schools must sit for the PSLE and obtain a score that will enable them to be eligible for admission to the SEC Programme.

# **B. Questions on general DSA matters**

# B1. What is the number of places available for DSA-Sec? What is the maximum PSLE Score for entry to ACS (Independent)? What is the highest PSLE Score for IP?

Based on MOE guidelines, the school can admit up to 20% of our SEC Programme Intake via the DSA-Sec and about 30% - 35% of our Integrated Programme (IP) Intake via DSA-Sec. Currently, the school does not know the total enrolment for SEC Programme and IP as the enrolment numbers are decided by the MOE.

The PSLE score range of 2022 PSLE students posted to our school for 2023 Secondary 1 are:

Course	Affiliated primary schools - Other primary ACS Junior and ACS Primary schools	
Integrated Programme	4 – 7	
SEC Programme	7 - 13 7 -	

The PSLE cut-off score for the SEC Programme is 13 points for the affiliated primary schools, i.e., ACS (Junior) and ACS (Primary). There is no affiliation PSLE score for the IP.

### C. Questions relating to DSA Outcome

# C1. When will we know the auditions/ interviews/ selection trials result? Will the school inform us?

The auditions/ interviews/ selection trials result will not be revealed to the students or parents. The result is not the only criteria for consideration. The school also considers applicants' Primary 5 and Primary 6 academic results or equivalent results and the records from the MOE DSA-Sec portal.

All applicants will be duly notified of the outcome of their DSA-Sec applications. Successful candidates (Confirmed Offers and Waitlist Offers) will be contacted by telephone from the 1<sup>st</sup> week of September. If you are not contacted, it is likely that you are unsuccessful in the DSA-Sec exercise and will be informed via email by 11 September. Please note the school will not entertain any appeals.

# C2. If I have been informed that I am successful in my application, do I have to accept the offer immediately?

There is no need to accept any offer during the DSA-Sec exercise period. Students who are given Confirmed Offers or Waitlist offers are required to indicate their DSA-Sec school preference during the School Preference Submission period from 23 October to 27 October 2023. Successful students will receive an email instruction and SMS notification from Postman.gov.sg regarding the School Preference Submission before the submission period starts. Upon the release of PSLE results in November and if the successful DSA student obtains a PSLE score of 22 or less, he will be informed of his DSA-Sec posted school and is not required to participate in the MOE Secondary 1 (S1) Posting to opt for secondary schools. However, if he is eligible for 3<sup>rd</sup> Language, he may submit his 3<sup>rd</sup> Language option during the MOE S1 school choice submission period. If he does not wish to take up 3<sup>rd</sup> Language, he does not have to do anything.

Students successfully allocated to a school via DSA-Sec are <u>NOT</u> allowed to participate in the MOE Secondary 1 (S1) Posting as they are expected to honour the commitment made to the DSA-Sec school when they exercise their CO or WL offer. Students are also <u>NOT</u> allowed to transfer to another school after the release of the PSLE results. They are expected to honour their commitment to the posted DSA schools for the duration of the programme they are admitted to (4 years for SEC Programme and 6 years for Integrated Programme) and participate in the activities related to the talent they are selected for from Year 1 to 4. If they are not able to fulfil the DSA commitment without valid reasons, they may be required to transfer out to another school. Hence, please consider carefully before you accept an offer to be admitted to a school through DSA-Sec.

### C3. Is my Confirmed Offer for DSA dependent on my PSLE results?

Once you have accepted ACS (Independent)'s Confirmed Offer during the School Preference Submission period from 23 October to 27 October 2023, either for SEC Programme or Integrated Programme (IP), your place in the school is guaranteed if your PSLE score is 22 or less.

# **C4.** If I accept your offer, can I also accept other schools' offers? How many offers can I accept? You can receive as many Confirmed Offers or Waitlist Offers as you wish. However, our school would appreciate that you inform us if you do not intend to put us as your first choice during the School Preference Submission period from 23 October to 27 October 2023. This would allow us to

offer the place to other students who did not receive any offer letters from our school.

# C5. I received a Wait List offer. How and when do I know that my offer is changed to Confirmed Offer?

Student who receives Wait List offer and indicated our school as their first choice during the School Preference Submission period will only know if the offer is converted to a Confirmed Offer when he receives his PSLE results in late November.

# C6. From previous years of the DSA-Sec exercise, how many students apply via the DSA-Sec exercise and how many will be successful in the application to ACS (Independent)?

The school received more than 1,000 DSA-Sec applications last year. Last year, the number of DSA-Sec places for IP (IB Diploma programme) was 60 and for SEC Programme was 50. However, the number of DSA-Sec places varies from year to year depending on MOE's advice on the enrolment numbers for the school for the year. The school takes in more students via the MOE S1 Posting exercise which is based on students' PSLE results.

### D. Questions relating to IP, IB & Mother Tongue Language in the School

### D1. What is the IP? What is IB? Do local universities recognise IB diploma?

IP stands for Integrated Programme – a six-year through train course. Students spend six years in ACS (Independent) and are not required to sit for the Singapore-Cambridge GCE O-Level Examination (now known as Singapore-Cambridge Secondary Education Certificate Examination) except for Mother Tongue Language at Year 4 (Secondary 4). In their fifth and sixth years, IP students will do the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP) which is an established pre-university course of study. ACS (Independent)'s IP students will sit for the IB Diploma Examination, not the Singapore-Cambridge GCE A-Level Examination.

As the IB programme is a university-bound course of study, most of our students will apply for a university course of study after obtaining their IB Diploma. The local universities recognise and accept the IB Diploma. University admission will depend on the university and the course applied for. The IB Diploma is a very well-recognised international pre-university qualification and established universities around the world readily give places to IB Diploma graduates.

# D2. If I offer Higher Mother Tongue Language in primary school, do I have to do Higher Mother Tongue Language in secondary school?

Upon release of the MOE S1 Posting results, students will be informed by MOE on their eligibility to offer Higher Mother Tongue (HMT) Language in secondary school. Students are given the option to offer HMT Language or Mother Tongue (MT) Language. Please inform the school during the online Secondary 1 registration exercise, accessible through the school website, which will take place after the release of MOE S1 Posting results in December.

Students in O-Level Programme [now known as Secondary Education Certificate (SEC) Programme] HMT Language student will only be allowed to drop HMT Language if he is not coping well with the subject. HMT Language student will be required to sit for the MT Language Singapore-Cambridge Secondary Education Certificate examination in Secondary 3 and the HMT Language Singapore-Cambridge Secondary Education Certificate examination in Secondary 4. If a student does not perform well in the Secondary 3 MT Language Singapore-Cambridge Secondary Education Certificate examination, he may request to drop HMT Language and re-take the MT Language Singapore-Cambridge Secondary Education Certificate examination in Secondary 4.

### Students in Integrated Programme (IP)

At Secondary 4, MT Language students will sit for the MT Language Singapore-Cambridge Secondary Education Certificate examination and HMT Language students will sit for the HMT Language Singapore-Cambridge Secondary Education Certificate examination.

# D3. I am exempted from Mother Tongue (MT) Language in primary school. Do I have to offer Mother Tongue Language in your school?

If you have been exempted from offering MT Language by MOE in the primary school, the exemption is still applicable in ACS (Independent).

If you are an IP student, the exemption will carry through until the end of Year 6. For International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma, all Year 5 and 6 students are required to do a Group 2: Language Acquisition subject: Language B or Language ab initio (beginner). Students who are exempted from MT Language will offer *ab initio* languages such as French, Spanish and Mandarin. These *ab initio* subjects are offered in the school during curriculum time.

# D4. Do you offer Chinese Language Syllabus B in your school? How do I apply to do it?

Yes, Year 1 to 4 students can opt to do Chinese Language Syllabus B (Chinese Language Syllabus B is of lower standard compared to normal Chinese Language). Students will be required to inform the school during the online Secondary 1 registration exercise, accessible from the school website. Year 1 to 3 students who do Chinese Language Syllabus B are required to travel to MOE Chinese Language Syllabus B Centre. Currently, our students go to ACS (Barker Road), after curriculum time to attend their Chinese Language Syllabus B lessons but this may change as the Centre is decided by the MOE. Year 4 Chinese Language Syllabus B lessons will be conducted in our school after curriculum time.

# D5. Can I opt to do Hindi, Punjabi or other Non-Tamil Indian Languages in your school? Are the classes conducted in the school?

Hindi is conducted in our school with a special arrangement with a private Hindi teacher. Students will be required to pay for the cost of these lessons. Students who wish to offer Punjabi or other Non-Tamil Indian Languages will be required to offer these languages outside school and after school curriculum hours.

#### E. Questions on CCAs

### E1. What are your CCAs and how many CCAs must my son take?

We have a very wide range of CCAs. Please refer to the school website - <a href="https://www.acsindep.moe.edu.sg/student-development/cca/">https://www.acsindep.moe.edu.sg/student-development/cca/</a> for the full range of CCAs available in our school. It is compulsory for all our Year 1 to 4 students (Secondary 1 to 4) to have two CCAs — one Uniformed Group (UG) and the other, either a Sport, a Performing Art or a Club/Society. The school's two-CCA policy aims to help students achieve a holistic education. It enables students to discover their strengths, interests and talents and equip them to handle challenges they may face later in life.

Year 5 to 6 students (equivalent to junior college year 1 to 2) are required to participate in one CCA.

### F. Questions on School Fees and Financial Matters

#### F1. What are your school fees per month?

Fees charges for 2023 are as follows:

		School	Miscellaneous	<b>Total Fee</b>
Level	Citizenship	Fee (per month)	Fee (per month)	(per month)
	Singaporean	\$320	\$45	\$365
Everyone Voor 1 to Voor 4	Singapore PR	\$1,050	\$45	\$1,095
Express Year 1 to Year 4	Foreigner (ASEAN)	\$1,900	\$45	\$1,945
	Foreigner (Non-ASEAN)	\$2,100	\$45	\$2,145
	Singaporean	\$340	\$45	\$385
Integrated Programme (IP)	Singapore PR	\$1,080	\$45	\$1,125
Year 1 to Year 4	Foreigner (ASEAN)	\$2,050	\$45	\$2,095
	Foreigner (Non-ASEAN)	\$2,250	\$45	\$2,295
International	Singaporean	\$450	\$50	\$500
Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP) Year 5	Singapore PR	\$1,250	\$50	\$1,300
	Foreigner (ASEAN)	\$2,550	\$50	\$2,600
to Year 6	Foreigner (Non-ASEAN)	\$2,850	\$50	\$2,900

Please note that school fees and miscellaneous fees are subject to change during the year.

Students who will pay Foreigner (ASEAN) school fees are citizens of the following countries:

Brunei Darussalam	Cambodia	Indonesia	Laos	Malaysia
Myanmar	Philippines	Thailand	Vietnam	

### F2. Does your school offer scholarship? How do I apply?

Students who are Singapore Citizens and who have obtained outstanding results in their PSLE may be awarded the ESIS (Edusave Scholarships for Independent Schools) by MOE. There is no need to apply for ESIS. All awardees will be informed when they receive their PSLE results.

### **ESIS Award amount**

If your child is not receiving the MOE Independent School Bursary (ISB), they will be awarded the lesser of the following amounts:

- \$2,400 a year.
- The total annual school fee minus the amount of school and standard miscellaneous fees that they would pay to attend a government or government-aided school.

If your child is receiving the ISB, they will be awarded the lesser of the following amounts:

- \$2,400 a year.
- The total annual school fee minus the school fee subsidy provided under the ISB.

## F3. Do you have financial assistance scheme? How do I apply?

The MOE Independent School Bursary (ISB) is available for application for **Singapore Citizen** students enrolled in Independent Schools. The school does not offer any financial assistance schemes for Singapore Permanent Residents (SPRs) or International (Foreign) Students.

**Singapore Citizens** applying for the MOE ISB need to meet either the monthly Gross Household Income (GHI) or the Per Capita Income (PCI) criterion. PCI is computed based on the monthly GHI divided by the number of members in the household. Once approved, the ISB will provide the benefits shown in the table below:

	e Limits following criteria) Per Capita Income (PCI) <sup>2</sup>	Benefits
Not exceeding \$3,000	Not exceeding \$750	<ul> <li>100% subsidy of school and miscellaneous fees</li> <li>Free textbooks and school attire at Secondary level; Annual Bursary of \$1,200 at Pre-University level.</li> <li>Full subsidy for examination fees<sup>3</sup></li> <li>Transport Subsidy: \$17 per month from the month of approval, up to \$204 per annum (for students taking public transport). The public transport subsidy will only be provided from the effective month of the MOE ISB till December of the year.</li> <li>School meal subsidies of \$3.50 per meal for 10 meals per school week for secondary level.</li> </ul>
\$3,001 - \$4,400	\$751 - \$1,100	Subsidy such that student pays the same fee <sup>4</sup> as students studying in government and government-aided schools (GGAS)
\$4,401 - \$7,500	\$1,101 - \$1,875	Subsidy such that student pays 1.5x GGAS fee <sup>4</sup>
\$7,501 - \$10,000	\$1,876 - \$2,500	33% subsidy of school and miscellaneous fees

<sup>1</sup>Include specialized independent schools, namely, NUS High School of Math and Science, and School of Science and Technology. Does not include Singapore Sports School and School of the Arts which have their own schemes to provide financial assistance for their students. Please refer to the schools' website for information on their financial schemes.

<sup>2</sup>PCI is monthly Gross Household Income (GHI) divided by number of members in the same household.

<sup>3</sup>Applicable only to Singapore Citizen students enrolled in the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IBDP) only in Government-funded schools. Examination fees for GCE A-level have been waived for all Singapore Citizen students in Government-funded schools since 2015.

 $^4$ GGAS fee comprises school fee, standard miscellaneous fee and maximum  $2^{nd}$  tier miscellaneous fee payable by Singapore Citizen students in a GGAS.

Singapore Citizen students who wish to apply for the MOE Independent School Bursary (ISB) scheme can obtain application forms from the School Administration Office or download a copy from the school's website <a href="https://www.acsindep.moe.edu.sg/about-acsindependent/fee/financial-assistance/">https://www.acsindep.moe.edu.sg/about-acsindependent/fee/financial-assistance/</a>.

Applications may be made throughout the year as exigencies of each family's financial situation demand. However, each MOE ISB award is effective from the month the application is approved and **may not** be backdated. Approved ISBs are valid till December of the year. Fresh applications will have to be submitted for each academic year. Please ensure that the ISB application is accompanied by all relevant documents required by MOE. Omission may result in a delay in the processing of the application and in turn, a delay in the awarding of the ISB. Students should pay the full amount of school and miscellaneous fees until their application for the ISB has been processed and have received written advice from the school.

In April 2019, MOE introduced the **UPLIFT Scholarship** for Singapore Citizens to recognise the achievements of students in independent schools/specialised independent schools who have performed well academically, or in specific talent areas, and are from lower-income families. The UPLIFT Scholarship consists of a cash award of \$1,000 per annum to help offset the out-of-pocket expenses for students from lower income households. The UPLIFT Scholarship is subject to students meeting the renewal criteria each year and is awarded to students who are:

- Singapore Citizens attending independent schools/specialised independent schools;
- Admitted to the independent school/specialised independent school through Direct School Admission (DSA) at Secondary 1 or Pre-University 1 and/or qualified for the Edusave Scholarships for Independent Schools (ESIS); and
- From families with monthly Gross Household Income (GHI) ≤\$4,400, or Per Capita Income
   (PCI) ≤ \$1,100.

Apart from the MOE ISB and UPLIFT Scholarship for Singapore Citizen students, our school has various financial assistance programmes in place for Singapore Citizens. Should you require assistance with school fees, please approach our Deputy Principal, Mr Patrick Soo at <a href="mailto:patrick@acsindep.edu.sg">patrick@acsindep.edu.sg</a> or School Secretary, Ms Eunice Seah at <a href="mailto:eunice@acsindep.edu.sg">eunice@acsindep.edu.sg</a> or DID Tel No. 6870 0314.

F4. If my child already has an MOE Scholarship (e.g., ESIS/RSP/MEP), can my child still apply for the financial assistance scheme?

Yes, your child is eligible to apply for the MOE Independent School Bursary (ISB) if your child is a Singapore Citizen.

### G. Questions on Other School-related Matters

### G1. What are your school hours?

The current school curriculum hours are as follows:

Year	Day	School Hours
Year 1 to Year 4	Monday, Tuesday & Thursday	7:45 am to 2:40 pm
	Wednesday	8:45 am to 3:00 pm
	Friday	7:45 am to 1:00 pm
	Monday	7:45 am to 4:00 pm
Year 5 & Year 6	Tuesday & Thursday	7:45 am to ranges from 2:40 pm till 4:00 pm
(JC 1 and JC 2)	Wednesday	8:45 am to ranges from 3:00 pm till 4:00 pm
	Friday	7:45 am to 1:00 pm

#### Note

- a) All students are reminded to arrive at school earlier to ensure there is sufficient time to report to Chapel or Assembly venues.
- b) Year 1 to Year 4 students will be involved in various **Values in Action (VIA) programmes on selected Thursdays**. To ensure meaningful interaction and engagement with the community, VIA sessions are likely to end after 2:40 pm. The actual dismissal time and dates will be advised closer to the respective sessions.

### G2. Can students apply to ACS (Independent) Boarding School? What are the fees?

Yes, but this is subject to approval from the School Senior Admin. New applicants will be charged a non-refundable admin fee of \$80, along with a non-refundable application fee of \$200 which is deductible from the  $1^{st}$  payment. The current Boarding School Fees (exclusive of GST) which are charged by semesters are as follows:

Туре	Fees per semester (20 weeks)	Additional Fees for vacation stay during the school holidays
ACS(I) Pupil (Singapore citizen) *	\$5,000	\$250 per week
ACS(I) Pupil (Singapore PR) *	\$5,600	\$280 per week
ACS(I) Pupil (Foreigner) *	\$6,600	\$330 per week
Single Room	\$9,000	\$450 per week
Double Room (30 SQM)	\$8,000	\$400 per week

<sup>\*</sup>Refer to 4 or 6 Bedded Rooms only.

More information on the ACS (Independent) Boarding School are available at our school website - <a href="https://www.acsindep.moe.edu.sg/about-acs-independent/boarding-school/">https://www.acsindep.moe.edu.sg/about-acs-independent/boarding-school/</a>.

# G3. How will the Secondary One registration exercise be carried out at the end of the year?

The Secondary One (S1) registration exercise will be conducted online after the release of the posting results in December. The link for the registration will be made available on the school's website. Parents and students need not visit the school to take part in the S1 registration exercise. Computer terminals will be made available at the School Administration Office for students without internet access. Information on orientation, sales of books and uniforms will be available for download after the completion of the online registration.