

# JOINT PRESS RELEASE



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## Results of the 2012 Singapore-Cambridge General Certificate of Education (Ordinary Level) Examination

1. A total of 37,267 school candidates sat for the 2012 Singapore-Cambridge General Certificate of Education Ordinary Level (GCE 'O' Level) Examination and 37,201 or 99.8% have been awarded certificates.
2. The results of the 2012 GCE 'O' Level Examination for school candidates are as follows:

Year	No. Sat	1 or more GCE 'O' Level Passes		3 or more GCE 'O' Level Passes		5 or more GCE 'O' Level Passes	
		No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
2012	37,267	37,209	99.8	35,588	95.5	30,305	81.3

3. This year, 4,337 of the 2012 Secondary 4 Normal Academic [Sec 4N(A)] students sat for one or more subjects in the GCE 'O' Level Examination. Of these, 3,926 or 90.5% have obtained at least one 'O' Level pass.
4. A total of 3,113 private candidates sat for the 2012 GCE 'O' Level Examination and 2,803 or 90.0% have been awarded certificates.
5. School candidates have been issued their results by their respective schools from 2:00 pm today. Private candidates will be informed of their results by post. Private candidates may also access their results through the Singapore Examinations and Assessment Board website at <http://www.seab.gov.sg> from 2:00 pm today.
6. The GCE 'O' Level examination is jointly conducted by the University of Cambridge International Examinations (CIE), the Singapore Examinations and Assessment Board (SEAB) and the Ministry of Education (MOE).

### PROGRESSION PATHWAYS FOR SECONDARY FOUR NORMAL (ACADEMIC) STUDENTS WITH 'O' LEVEL SUBJECTS

7. Upon release of the Singapore-Cambridge GCE 'O' Level results, Secondary 4N(A) students who had earlier accepted conditional offers in the Polytechnic Foundation Programme (PFP) or Direct-Entry-Scheme into Polytechnic Programme

(DPP) at ITE in December 2012 will have their conditional offers automatically confirmed if they meet the eligibility criteria.

8. At the same time, newly-eligible students will be invited to apply for the PFP and/or DPP. Details of the application windows can be found on the respective PFP/DPP websites. For these students, the PFP/DPP posting results will be released at 2.00 pm on Wednesday, 16 January 2013. Students will be notified via SMS (if they have provided their mobile phone details) to check their posting results online via the respective application portals. Students are required to log on to the respective PFP and/or DPP websites between 2.00 pm on 16 January 2013 and 4.00 pm on 18 January 2013 to indicate whether they wish to accept or reject their PFP/DPP offers. Students who reject their PFP/DPP offer will be required to report back to their secondary schools on Monday 21 January 2013 to commence Secondary 5.

9. For more information about the PFP, please refer to the PFP website <http://www.polytechnic.edu.sg/pfp/>.

10. For more information about the DPP, please refer to the DPP website <http://www.ite.edu.sg/wps/portal/definitely-des/>.

#### **EDUCATION AND CAREER GUIDANCE (ECG) PORTAL**

11. Students, together with their parents, can refer to [ecareers.sg](http://ecareers.sg) for guidance on their educational and career development options. *ecareers.sg* is MOE's interactive web-based Education and Career Guidance (ECG) portal. It serves as an engaging and informative multimedia resource of relevant, accurate and timely information on the educational options and career development pathways available for our students, based on their interest, aptitude and current pace of development.

12. The ECG portal helps to expose our students to a greater variety of career options that they ought to consider, and consequently guide them to make important decisions on their educational pathways. Various profiling instruments in the portal help students to clarify their interests and aptitudes, and suggest a range of suitable career possibilities as a result.

13. Teachers, Career Guidance Coordinators, School Counsellors, and parents are encouraged to use the ECG portal to help our students clarify their career goals and guide them to choose educational courses that caters best to them.

14. An infographic to illustrate the education pathways for 'O' Level students is attached in Annex A.

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