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RELEASE OF 2016 SINGAPORE-CAMBRIDGE GCE O-LEVEL EXAMINATION RESULTS AND 2017 JOINT ADMISSIONS EXERCISE FOR JUNIOR COLLEGES, MILLENNIA INSTITUTE, POLYTECHNICS, AND INSTITUTE OF TECHNICAL EDUCATION

1. The results of the 2016 Singapore-Cambridge General Certificate of Education Ordinary Level (GCE O-Level) examination will be released on Wednesday, 11 January 2017.
2. School candidates may collect their results from their schools at 2.00 pm on that day.
3. Private candidates will be notified of their individual results by post. The result slips will be mailed on 11 January 2017 to the address provided by the candidates during the registration period. Private candidates who are eligible for SingPass¹ can also use their SingPass account to obtain their results online via the internet Examination Results Release System (iERRS) on Singapore Examinations and Assessment Board's website at www.seab.gov.sg from 2.00 pm on 11 January 2017.

Joint Admissions Exercise

4. Students who wish to apply for Junior Colleges, Millennia Institute, polytechnics, or the Institute of Technical Education (ITE) may do so through the Joint Admissions Exercise (JAE) using their GCE O-Level examination results.
5. JAE registration will open from 3.00 pm on Wednesday, 11 January 2017 to 4.00 pm on Monday, 16 January 2017. Eligible applicants who sat for the 2016 GCE O-Level examination will receive Form A² on the day of the release of examination results. Applicants are strongly encouraged to use the course application worksheet (provided in the Form A or the JAE information booklet) before submitting the online application via the JAE Internet System (JAE-IS) at <https://www.moe.gov.sg/admissions/jae>.

¹ Private candidates can visit the SingPass website at www.singpass.gov.sg to find out if they are eligible for SingPass and to activate their SingPass Two-Factor Authentication if they have not.

² Form A will list the applicant's GCE O-Level examination results, the courses which he/she is eligible to apply for under the JAE, and his/her JAE-PIN (i.e. a personal password for the applicant to access JAE-IS).

6. For more details on the JAE, applicants may refer to:
 - a. JAE Website at <https://www.moe.gov.sg/admissions/jae>; or
 - b. MOE Customer Service Centre at 6872-2220 during the hotline operating hours³.

Results of Application

7. The posting results of the JAE application are scheduled for release on Thursday, 2 February 2017 through the following modes:
 - a. JAE-IS, which is accessible through the JAE website;
 - b. SMS to the mobile phone number provided by applicant during registration.
8. Applicants posted to Junior Colleges or Millennia Institute are to report to their posted institutions on Friday, 3 February 2017. For applicants posted to polytechnics and ITE, they will receive a letter from the respective institutions on the enrolment details.

Direct School Admission – Junior Colleges

9. Students who had accepted offers through the 2016 Direct School Admission – Junior Colleges (DSA-JC) Exercise are deemed to be admitted to their chosen JC if they have met the eligibility criteria for admission to JC based on their GCE O-Level examination results. Students admitted to a JC through DSA-JC will not be eligible to participate in the JAE.
10. Students who do not meet the JC admission criteria may take part in JAE to apply for courses which they are eligible for. More details on DSA-JC can be found at <https://www.moe.gov.sg/admissions/direct-admissions/dsa-jc>.

Early Admissions Exercise

11. Students who had accepted conditional offers to a polytechnic course through the Early Admissions Exercise (EAE) in 2016 and have their offers confirmed based on their GCE O-Level examination results will not be eligible to participate in JAE. Their EAE offers are confirmed if they meet the following criteria:
 - a. A net ELR2B2 score of 26 points or better for the GCE O-Level examinations; and
 - b. Minimum Entry Requirements for the respective polytechnic course.
12. Students who do not meet the above criteria may take part in JAE. More details on EAE can be found at <https://eae.polytechnic.edu.sg>.

³ The hotline operating hours are Mondays to Fridays from 8.30 am to 5.30 pm, and Saturdays from 8.30 am to 12.30 pm.

Progression Pathways for Secondary Four Normal (Academic) Students

The Polytechnic Foundation Programme (PFP)

13. Secondary 4 Normal (Academic) students who attempted the Normal (Academic) Examination in 2016 and obtained an ELMAB3 aggregate not exceeding 11 points and met subject-specific requirements⁴ will be eligible to apply for the Polytechnic Foundation Programme (PFP). The PFP is an alternative to the Secondary 5 Normal (Academic) year. It is a one-year foundation programme at the polytechnics that offers a practice-oriented curriculum taught by polytechnic lecturers.

14. On Wednesday, 11 January 2017, students eligible for the PFP will receive a copy of Form P from their respective secondary schools, inviting them to apply for the PFP. Each copy of Form P contains a unique password. Students should use the respective passwords to submit their applications online via the PFP website at https://pfp.polytechnic.edu.sg/PFP/pfp_application.html.

15. Application for the PFP will open from 2.00 pm on Wednesday, 11 January 2017 to 4.00 pm on Monday, 16 January 2017.

16. The PFP posting results will be released at 2.00 pm on Thursday, 19 January 2017 through the PFP website. Students will be required to indicate whether they wish to accept, reject, or appeal for a change of course by 4.00 pm on Sunday, 22 January 2017. More details on the PFP can be found at <https://pfp.polytechnic.edu.sg/PFP/index.html>.

The Direct-Entry-Scheme to Polytechnic Programme (DPP)

17. The final application phase for the Direct-Entry-Scheme to Polytechnic Programme (DPP) will open at 2.30 pm on Wednesday, 11 January 2017 and close at the end of Monday, 16 January 2017. Secondary 4 Normal (Academic) students who are newly eligible after taking into account their O-Level examination results should submit their DPP applications online via the DPP application portal at <http://www.ite.edu.sg/wps/portal/intake/>.

18. The DPP posting results for applications made under the final application phase will be released from 9.00 am on Thursday, 19 January 2017 through the DPP application portal. Students will be required to indicate whether they wish to accept or reject the DPP offer by the end of Sunday, 22 January 2017. More details on the DPP are available at <http://www.ite.edu.sg/wps/portal/definitely-des/>.

For successful PFP and/or DPP applicants

19. Students who have been offered a place in the DPP under the final application phase should report to ITE on Monday, 23 January 2017, upon

⁴ The ELMAB3 aggregate comprises English Language, Mathematics, and the student's three other best subjects. Students will also need to have met the subject-specific criteria for either Group 1 or Group 2 courses. More details can be found at https://pfp.polytechnic.edu.sg/PFP/pfp_eligibility.html.

acceptance of their DPP course offer.

20. The last day of school for Secondary 5 students who have accepted a place in the PFP will be on Friday, 27 January 2017. Students will be informed by the respective polytechnics on the dates of enrolment for the PFP.

21. Students who accepted a place in the earlier December application phase of the DPP but have now decided to take up a PFP offer will need to apply to ITE to withdraw from the DPP course in order to take up the PFP offer.

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