

13th December, 2022

Dear S6 Parents/Guardians,

Re: <u>Handbook for Candidates for the 2023 HKDSE</u> <u>Category A and Category B Subjects</u>

To help students familiarise themselves with the examination regulations, procedures and arrangements for the 2023 HKDSE, the following documents and videos have been uploaded to the HKEAA website as detailed in the following paragraph:

- (a) Handbook for Candidates for the 2023 HKDSE Category A and Category B subjects; and
- (b) Videos for Candidates on the 2023 HKDSE examination procedures for written (including listening components) examinations.

To support a green environment, printed version would no longer be distributed but students are strongly advised to download the electronic version of the Handbook from the HKEAA website (https://www.hkeaa.edu.hk/en/hkdse/admin/student_s_handbook/). Kindly read the Handbook carefully as it contains important regulations, procedures and instructions relating to the 2023 HKDSE, and remind your child/charge to abide by the regulations laid down in the documents when taking the examination.

Please pay attention to the followings:

- (a) The revised 2023 HKDSE Examination Timetable;
- (b) Major administrative arrangements including the precautionary/contingency measures to be implemented in examination centres;
- (c) Updated regulations for the 2023 HKDSE under Section A General Information and Section D What to do in Special Circumstances;
- (d) Pilot Run of the Second Generation Public Examinations Support System (PESS2) in selected examination centres;
- (e) Following the practice in the 2020 to 2022 HKDSE, school candidates who are absent from the examinations due to medical reasons or special circumstances may be considered for an assessed subject result. In view of fluctuating pandemic situation as of late 2022, the assessed subject result may be awarded up to Level 5 in the 2023 HKDSE subject to the approval of the Public Examinations Board.

The Videos for Candidates are accessible on the HKEAA website (https://www.hkeaa.edu.hk/en/candidates/videos procedure/) for watching.

Thank you for your attention.

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