

Supporting Your Child's Education & Career Guidance (ECG) Journey

For Parents of Sec 4&5 PL-lites

By Ms Priscilla Chong, ECG Counsellor



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Overview of today's sharing

1. Supporting our students through ECG
2. Common questions that your child may have
3. Tips and Resources for Parents to support your child's ECG journey



1. Supporting our Students through ECG



What is ECG ?

3 ECG Questions

Who am I?

Where do I want to go?

How do I get there?

ECG Goals

Discovering Purpose

Exploring Opportunities

Staying Relevant

21CC Outcomes

- Self-directed & Lifelong Learner
- Adaptable & Confident Person
- Active Contributor



2. Common Questions your child may have



Common Questions Your Child May Have



Sec 4/5 PL-lite

“What are the Post-secondary Pathways available?”

What is EAE and how can I prepare for it?

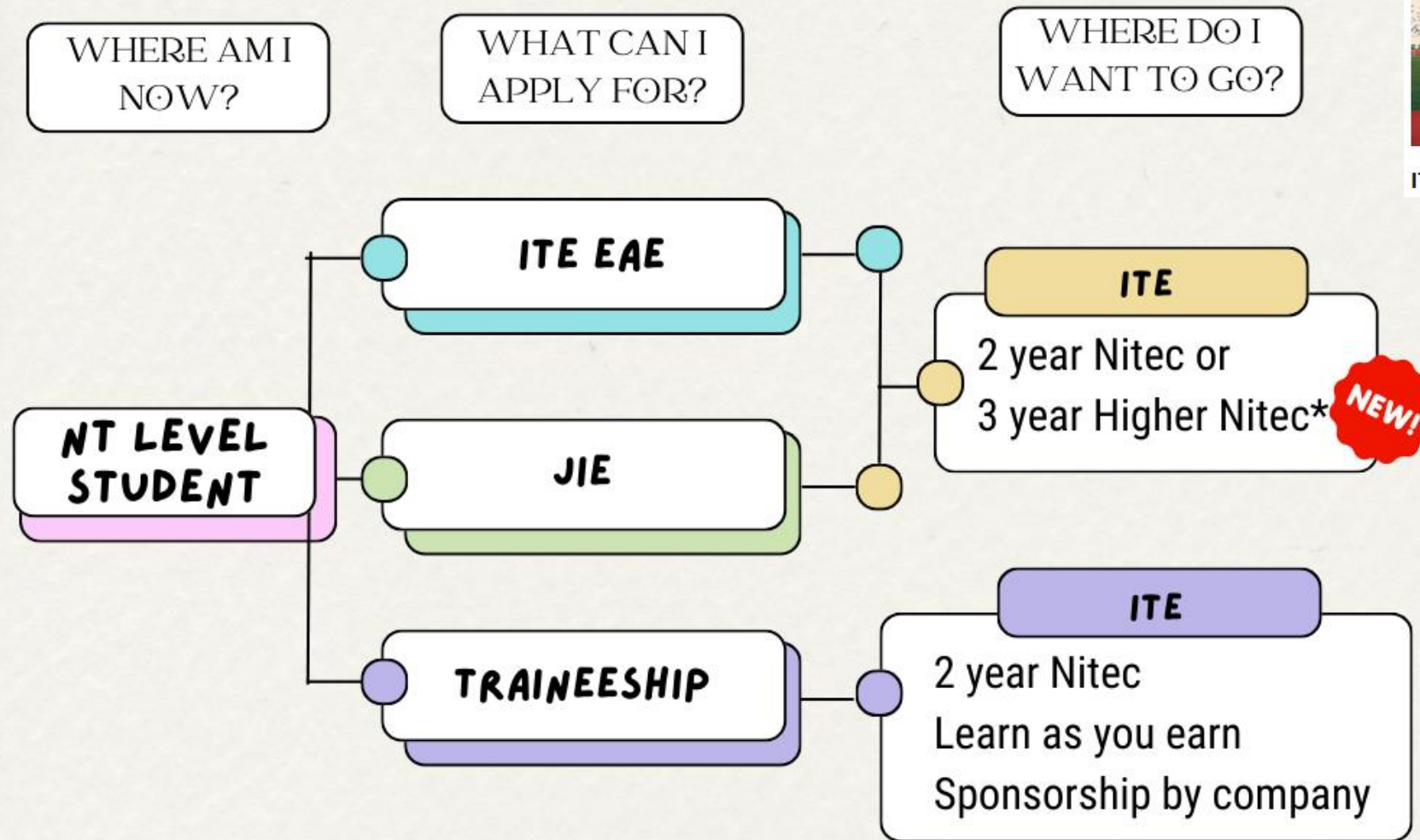
When can I apply for JC-DSA and/or Poly/ITE EAE?

Qn:

“What are the Post-secondary Pathways available?”



Post N(T) level Pathways



ITE College Central



ITE College West



ITE College East

*By AY2026, all 2-year Nitec courses will be streamlined into a 3 year Higher Nitec Programme under the enhanced ITE Curriculum.



Singapore

New ITE curriculum from 2022 to let students get Higher Nitec in 3 years instead of 4 years



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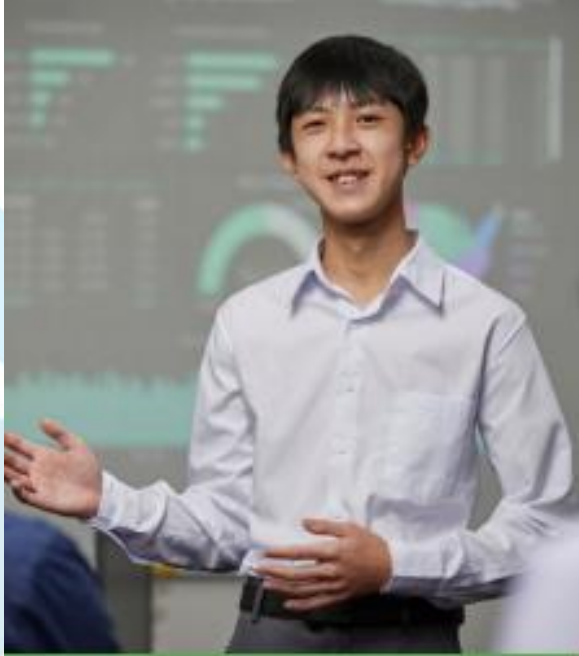
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The Institute of Technical Education (ITE) will introduce a new curriculum that allows its students to achieve a Higher Nitec (Higher National ITE Certificate) in three years instead of four. Melissa Goh and Tan Si Hui with the...see more

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PROGRESSIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 3-YEAR HIGHER NITEC PROGRAMME



2023 (11 courses)

- +
 - AI Applications
 - Data Engineering
 - Immersive Applications & Game



2024 (25 courses)

- +
 - Biochemical Technology
 - Applied Food Science
 - Chemical Process Technology
 - Nursing
 - Community Care & Social Services
 - Opticianry
 - Human Resource & Financial Services
 - Logistics & Supply Chain Management
 - Tourism
 - Retail & Online Business
 - Event Management
 - Passenger Services
 - Beauty & Wellness Management
 - Hairdressing & Salon Management

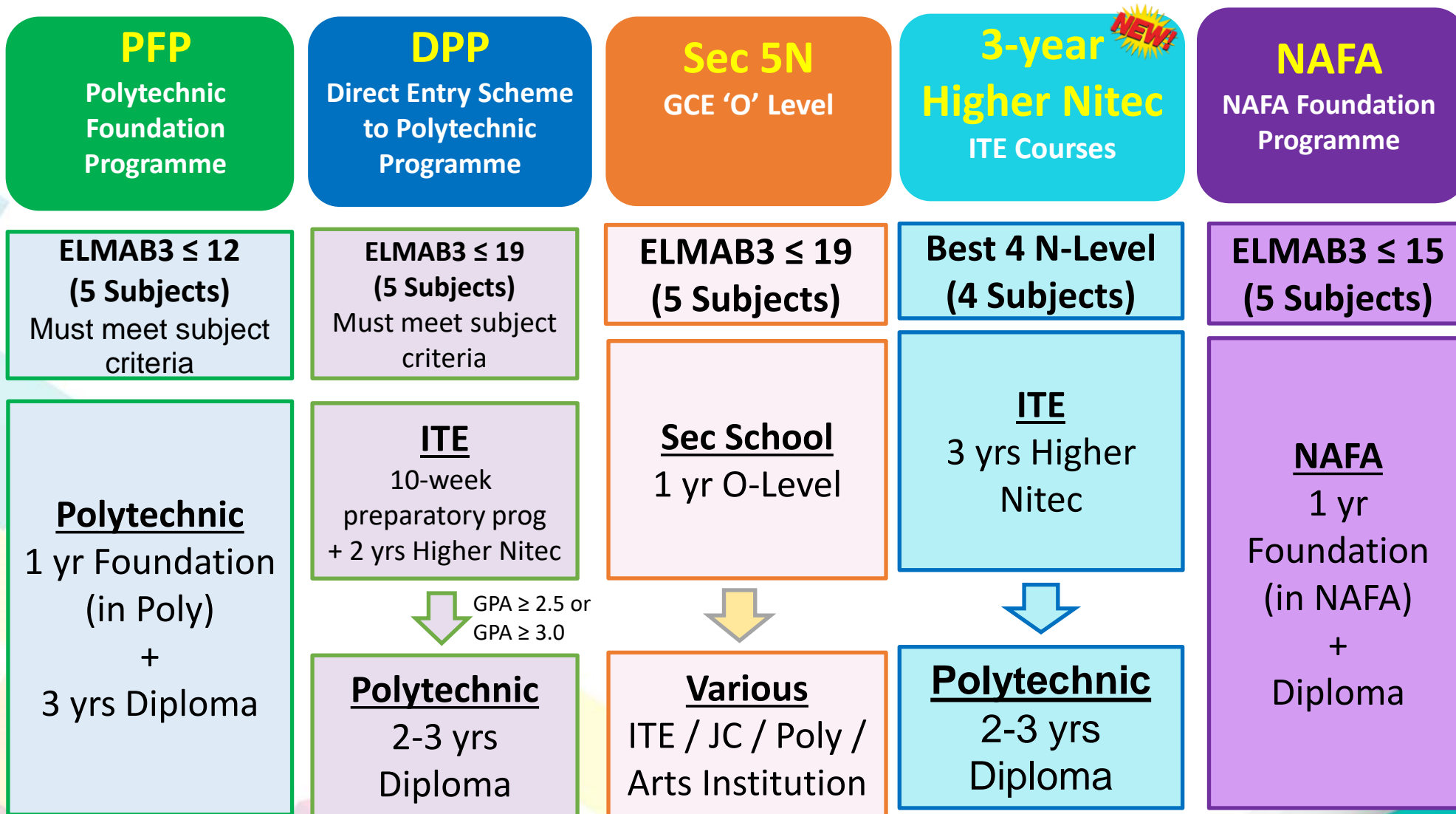
2022 (8 courses)

- Accounting
- Sport Management
- Electronics Engineering
- Security System Integration
- IT Systems & Networks
- Cyber & Network Security
- Business Information Systems
- IT Applications Development



**Progressive
Implementation
towards
2026...**

Education Pathways for Sec 4NA



O-LEVEL PATHWAYS

JC/MI

- **JC: L1R5 ≤ 20**
- **MI: L1R4 ≤ 20**
- Posting by merit is based on:
JC: Net L1R5 / MI: Net L1R4
- Meet Subject Requirements for JC/MI admission:

Subject	Requirement
Eng Lang	A1 to C6
Mother Tongue	A1 to D7
Higher MT	A1 to E8
MT Syllabus 'B'	Merit or Pass
Math/A Math	A1 to D7

Students who do not meet the subject requirements may still be eligible for conditional admission to JC/MI, subject to other requirements.

LASALLE/NAFA

LASALLE

- **4 GCE O-Level subjects, excluding English ≤ 25**
- English - Grade C6 or better

Nanyang Academy of Fine Arts

- **4 GCE O-Level subjects, excluding English ≤ 25**
- English - D7 or better for Dance and Music courses, and C6 or better for all other courses

*Students should submit their applications directly to these institutions.

O-LEVEL STUDENT

POLYTECHNIC

- **Net ELR2B2-A/B/C/D ≤ 26** (except **Diploma in Nursing ≤ 28**)
- Meet Minimum Entry Requirements (MER) of the course selected
- Posting by merit is based on:
Net ELR2B2-A/B/C/D, depending on the course selected

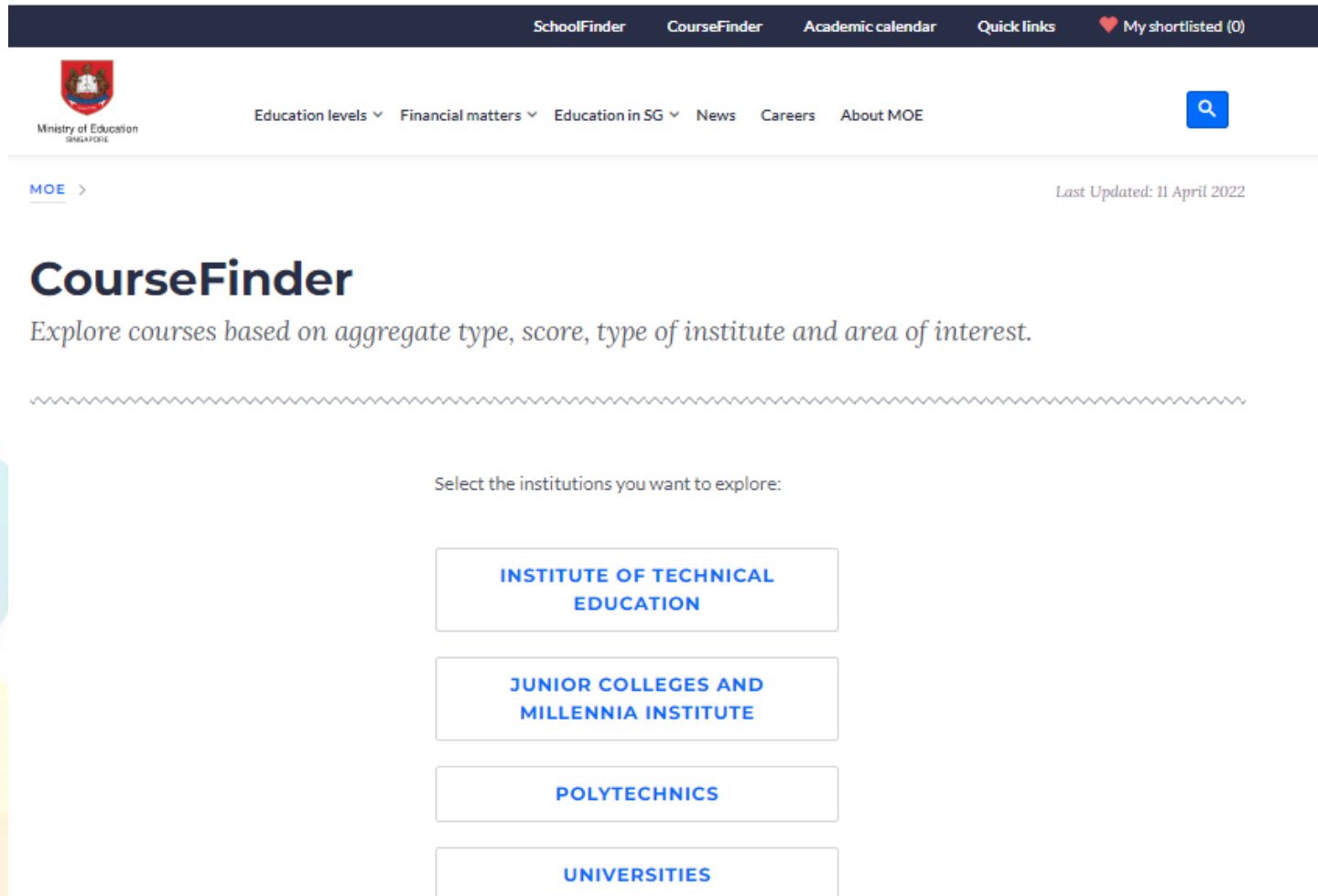
ITE 2-YEAR HIGHER NITEC

- **Meet Minimum Entry Requirements (MER)** of the course selected
- Posting by merit is based on:
Net ELB4-A, ELR1B3-B, ELR2B2-C, depending on the course selected

*There are 3-year Higher Nitec Courses available.



A useful resource: MOE CourseFinder



The screenshot shows the MOE CourseFinder website. At the top, there is a dark navigation bar with links for SchoolFinder, CourseFinder, Academic calendar, Quick links, and My shortlisted (0). Below this is the MOE logo and a menu with options like Education levels, Financial matters, Education in SG, News, Careers, and About MOE. A search icon is also present. The main heading is 'CourseFinder' with a subtext: 'Explore courses based on aggregate type, score, type of institute and area of interest.' Below this, there is a section titled 'Select the institutions you want to explore:' with four buttons: 'INSTITUTE OF TECHNICAL EDUCATION', 'JUNIOR COLLEGES AND MILLENNIA INSTITUTE', 'POLYTECHNICS', and 'UNIVERSITIES'. The page is dated 'Last Updated: 11 April 2022'.



<https://go.gov.sg/moe-coursefinder>



Qn:

“What is EAE and how can I start preparing for it?”



Jump-starting her career: How teen lands dream poly course even before her O-level exams

Through the Early Admissions Exercise, she is now building a strong educational foundation at Republic Polytechnic



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While most people of her age are just starting to think about their future careers, this teenager is already paving the path towards her dream job of becoming a video game concept artist. When she was in Secondary 2, Siti Nur Khadijah set her sights on pursuing her passion in video games and art, and decided that she wanted apply for a diploma course at Republic Polytechnic (RP) via the Early Admissions Exercise (EAE) in her graduating year.

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Recognising all-rounded students

The EAE is an admissions exercise that lets students apply and receive conditional offers for admission to polytechnic courses prior to receiving their final exam grades. Applicants are evaluated based on their aptitude and interests, thus

What is *Early Admissions Exercise (EAE)*?

- An **aptitude-based admissions exercise** that allows students to apply for and receive *conditional* offers for admission to Polytechnics OR ITE courses **prior** to receiving their O or N level results.
- It allows the polytechnics and ITE greater flexibility to select and **admit students based on their aptitudes and interests,** **apart from academic grades,** thus allowing a wider range of talents to be recognized.



How can I start preparing for Poly/ITE Early Admissions Exercise?

1. Personal Statement Write-up

[600 characters for Poly; 100 words for ITE]

→ Based on your Interests, Evidence and Aspirations

2. Portfolio Building

3. Interviews



FAQ: What is a Portfolio?



Organised Collection of Evidence that shows your Accomplishments in/outside of School



Examples of your work that showcases your accomplishments, skills & experiences



Digital Portfolio
Hardcopy Portfolio

Preparing for your e-portfolio for EAE



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- E-portfolio samples from PL alumni who were successful in EAE application
- Please make an appointment with our ECG counsellor for guidance.



FAQ: How to organise my Portfolio?

- Organise it in a logical, easy-to-read manner
- Make it concise, sharp & interesting
- The Portfolio will help you reflect on your experiences, involvement, interests and relevance to your EAE Choices.
- Quality vs Quantity

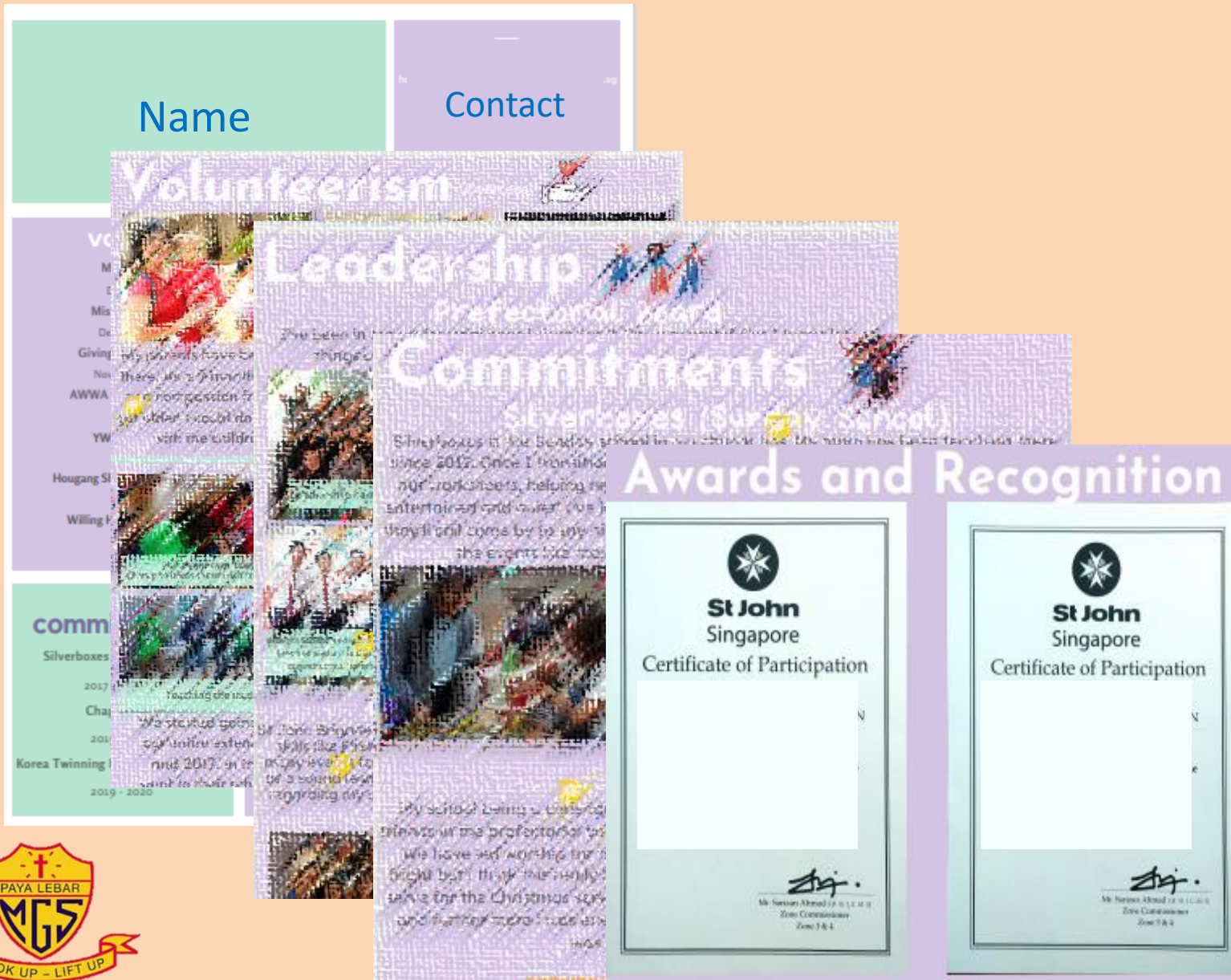


FAQ: What should I include in my Portfolio?

Category	Examples
Academic Achievements	Top in English Language and Geography for Level in 2019
Non Academic Achievements	Edusave Character Award 2017
Leadership Experience	School Council, Prefectorial Board, Key Leadership Roles in CCA
Competitions	International, Regional, National, Zonal
Outside School Activities	Volunteer Work, Part Time Work
Talent - Performing Arts	Portfolio / Grading Certificates
Skills – IT, Language	Websites, App



Some online tools for your consideration



Canva



Wix.com



Sample EAE Portfolio using Microsoft Powerpoint



NAME

MEDIA CHALLENGE

TECHNICAL SKILLS
MOVIE
PHOTOSHOP
FINAL CUT PRO
TIKTOK
CODING USING SCRATCH AND AR

LET'S CHAT:
Instagram : @alshah1s
Email: alshah1s@msa.edu.sg
Mobile :

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

EDUCATIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

MARKETING

TIKTOK + MOVIE

The media challenge taught me so many things, one of which was teamwork. I was in robotics and learned many different things. Robo was an educational programme chosen to volunteer one of the first who had decided to get a simple choice of being a Winner. Even though I looked down on competing with passion never unaltered. I believe this attitude and had gotten 2018 and THII for the World regional. My team participated in a debate with the third teammates, I was a speaker instead. Although, I was disappointed to share my point of view at school where I worked with the... Since Primary and tried my best of my ability. whatever that character. I have opportunities...

MEDIA CHALLENGE

Edusave Scholarship 2019

Edusave EAGLES 2019

Best in History 2016

Sending Pe... Kindness a...

... I have also started a Fast Fashion business. It is to have a business which is essentially a thrift store, however will also have their own one of a kind apparel for each customer. I planned to market my business via Social Media since it is lower costs and I can reach a far wider audience. I have done a VIA project where I market the carnival on Social Media and it taught me a lot of things such as how do you appeal to the right audience or how do you take proper pictures of the product to make it more visually appealing.

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Sample EAE Portfolio using Microsoft Word



A
Research
Writeup

Skills and Relative Experience

Coursera: Imagining Other Earths
2020, Princeton University, Ivy League Research University
8-week long advanced, graded Astrophysics course, where I learn magnetic fields, albedos, aphelions, perihelions, advanced forms as flux from a star, leaky greenhouse. First scientific report full of data.

UK Royal Institution Christmas Lecture - Sound Physics
2018, Princeton University, Ivy League Research University
A collaboration between the UK Royal Institution Christmas Lecture and A*STAR Institute themselves at MediaCorp.

NUS Science Demonstration Laboratory: The Homopolar
2018, National University of Singapore (NUS)
An enriching physics DemoLab offered to only the ACE Science students.

NUS Science Demonstration Laboratory: Static Charge & Electricity
2018, National University of Singapore (NUS)
Another enriching physics DemoLab offered to only the ACE Science students.

A-STAR: Words of Wisdom; The Art of Persuasion and Argument (Debate) Programme
2018, A*STAR, Paya Lebar Methodist Girls' School (Secondary)
A programme on public speaking: debates and speeches.

General Assembly Intro Courses
2019-2020

- HTML & CSS programming
- Python Programming

Academic Awards

Principal's Book Prize Award - Sci (Chem/Phys)
2020, Paya Lebar Methodist Girls' School (Secondary)
TOP in Science (Physics) for the year 2019

Certificate in Science Symposium
2018, Held in Victoria research industry
Represented school 2018, competing in hypothesis.

Certificate of Co-Learning in Science
2018, Paya Lebar Methodist Girls' School
Achieved upon successful completion of Science 2-year project.

Edusave Merit B
2019, Awarded by St. Methodists Girls' School
Awarded to recognize within the TOP 25 and have demonstrated exceptional academic performance.

- JavaScript Programming
- Data Analytics
- Data Science
- SQL coding language
- Google Analytics
- PIs and Python Course

edX Courses

- 2019 - 2020
- edX: Bioethics: The Law, Medicine, and Ethics of Reproductive Technologies and Genetics.
 - edX: Science & Cooking: From Haute Cuisine to Soft Matter Science (physics)
 - edX: Leaders of Learning

My knowledge on this course: a research write-up (1200 words):

Nanotechnology and materials science is the advanced study and research of ways to manipulate matter at the microscopic scale, as well as the application of such concepts to be used across many other fields of science – such as biology, chemistry, and physics. 'Nano', a Latin word derived from its Greek root word 'nanos' meaning 'dwarf', is defined as a unit prefix meaning "one billionth" in the metric system. As a result, 'nanotechnology' is the application of technological methods at very tiny scales. The scientific apparatus that are utilised to enhance our study of nanotechnology will be unique instruments rarely seen outside of the field. Take, for example, atom probes and the nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) spectrometers. These tools are hardly seen in other fields, and thus nanotechnology is a very special cross between the fields of engineering, technology and science. This course assures its students with maximum exposure to the emerging skills and ever-expanding technologies of this era. This

includes the application of state-of-the-art skills such as Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, and Data Analytics into improving society's day-to-day life, such as the food we eat, the clothes we wear, the buildings and houses we live in, and our own bodies.



Bonus Qn: What is JC-DSA?

- Direct School Admission(DSA) allows students to apply to a JC before taking the GCE O-Level examinations.
- For students who are strong in academic and have outstanding records in either CCAs, leadership qualities, or in specific academic areas
- To keep the conditional DSA JC offer, student must meet the minimum entry requirement for JC



Qn:

*“WHEN can I apply for
JC-DSA and/or Poly/ITE EAE?”*





DSA Timeline

2023 timeline



Refer to MOE website for more details:

<https://www.moe.gov.sg/post-secondary/admissions/dsa>

- Phase 2 - 9 Schools**
You can still apply for a school in Phase 2 if you:
1. Missed the Phase 1 application.
 2. Did not receive an offer after your Phase 1 application.



2023 Poly EAE – Timeline



Application
22 – 28 June

Offer
/Acceptance
6 – 11 Sept

1

2

3

4

Selection
Interview
/Portfolio
3 July – 29 Aug

Withdrawal
12 Sept – 13 Oct





2023 ITE EAE – Timeline



Institute of Technical Education

Application
23 May – 30 May

Offer
/Acceptance
21 – 25 Aug

1

2

3

4

Selection
Interview
/Portfolio
20 Jun – 27 July

Withdrawal
28 Aug – 4 Sept



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3. Tips and Resources for Parents to support your child's ECG journey



What can Parents do to support their child's ECG Journey?



Created by Juan Pablo Bravo
from Noun Project



3 Key Education & Career Guidance (ECG) Questions

WHO AM I?

Discovering who you are

Who am I?

The more I know about what I value, what I am interested in, and what I am good at, the more likely I will be able to make informed choices in my education and career explorations.



WHERE AM I GOING?

Knowing where you want to go

Where do I want to go?

Many pathways are worth taking, and there are opportunities for continuous learning and recognition.



HOW DO I GET THERE?

Knowing how to get there

How do I get there?

There are no dead ends. I can continue to pursue my aspirations.



Have a Two-way Conversation with your Child

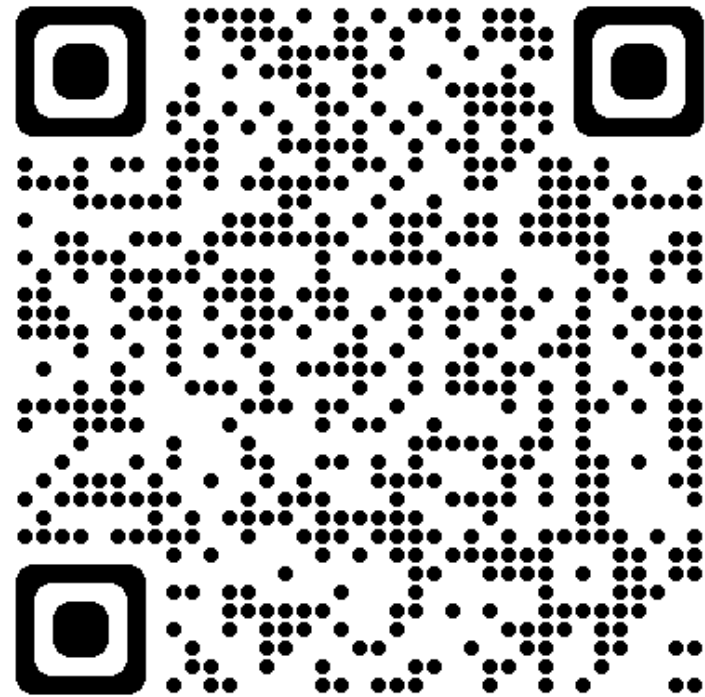


- **Listen** and find out the “whys” behind your child’s preferences.
- Give your child the **space to communicate freely** with you to understand her better

For O level students: Courses Offered In 2024 JAE

Scan QR code for
PDF booklet

- includes
previous year's
cut-off scores



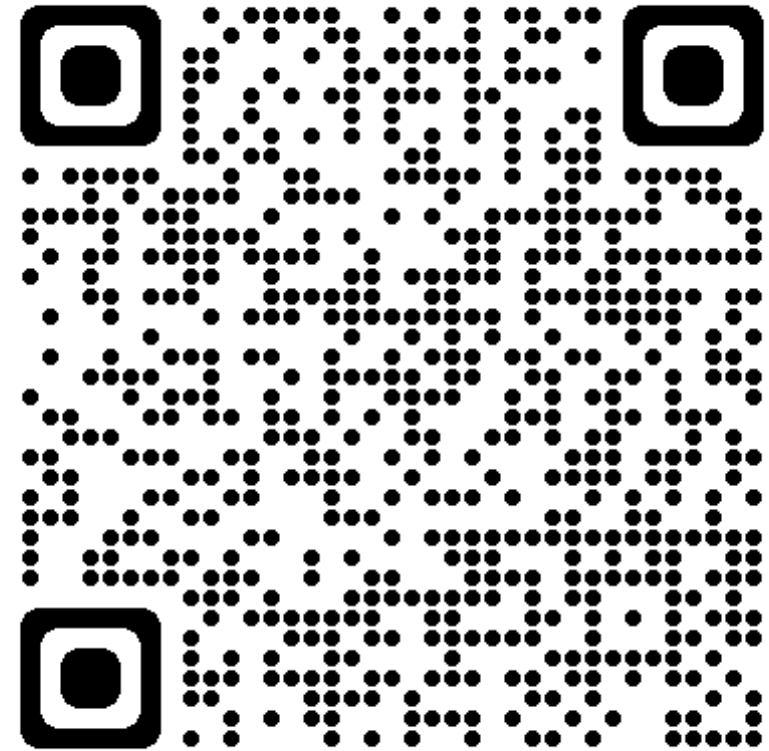
<https://www.moe.gov.sg/-/media/files/post-secondary/2024-jae/2024-jae-courses.pdf>

For O level students: Joint Admissions Exercise (JAE) portal

Scan the QR code for:
Information on JAE

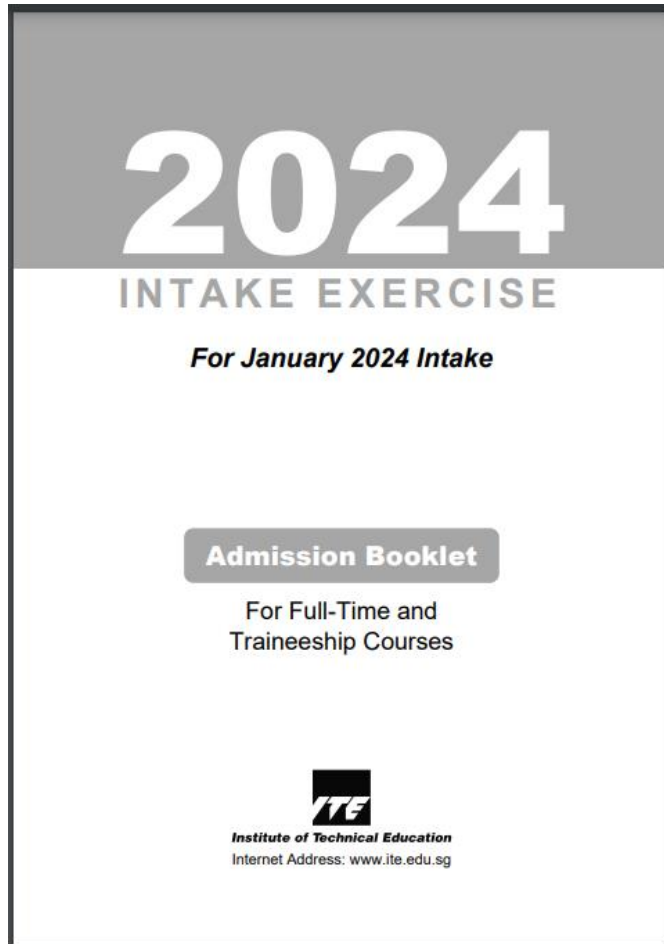
how to prepare and apply

**Aggregate Computation
(L1R5, ELR2B2-A/B/C/D, ITE
Aggregate points)**



<https://www.moe.gov.sg/post-secondary/admissions/jae/>

For N level students: Joint Intake Exercise Booklet



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Information on JIE

how to prepare and apply

**Aggregate Score
Computation**

Previous year's cut-off scores

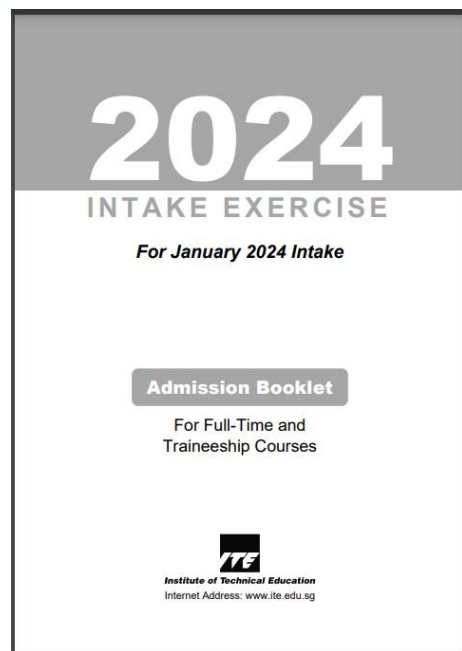


<https://www.ite.edu.sg/docs/default-source/admissions-docs/full-time/publications/admission-booklet/gce-n-admission-booklet-2024.pdf>

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Page 15 of JIE Booklet 2024



Computation of ITE Aggregate Points for Normal (Technical) Subjects

Normal (Technical) Grade	ITE Aggregate Points
A	1
B	2
C	3
D	4
E / U	5

Computation of ITE Aggregate Points for Normal (Academic) Subjects

Normal (Academic) Grade	ITE Aggregate Points
1, 2, 3	1
4	2
5	3
6 / U	4

Computation of ITE Aggregate Points for GCE 'O' Level Subjects

GCE 'O' Level Grade	ITE Aggregate Points
A1 – D7	1
E8	2
F9	3

CCA Bonus Points

The table below provides details for the computation of bonus points available. Please note that these bonus points are not taken into account when considering whether applicants are eligible for courses. The bonus points will only come into effect when the applicant has been deemed eligible and is being considered for posting based on merit.

Types of Bonus Points	Number of Bonus Points Awarded
For applicants with the following CCA grades:	
a) Excellent or Grades of A1 - A2	2 points
b) Good or Grades of B3 - C6	1 point

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Use **SchoolFinder** at www.moe.gov.sg/schoolfinder to explore junior colleges and Millennia Institute.



Use **CourseFinder** at www.moe.gov.sg/coursefinder to explore courses in polytechnics and ITE.





MOE ECG Resources

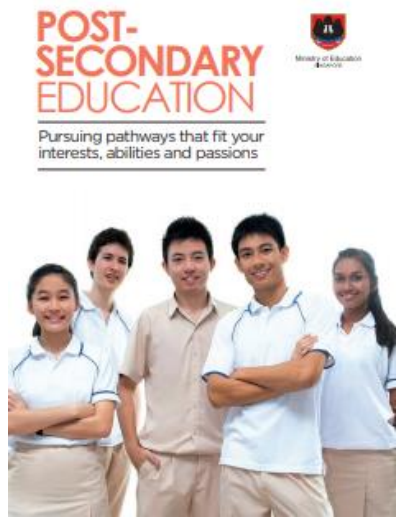
USEFUL RESOURCES



An Education & Career Guidance Handbook for Parents



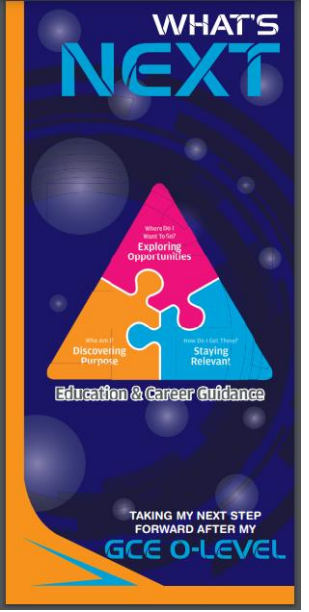
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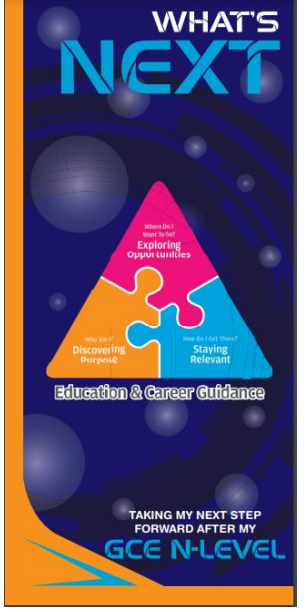
Pursuing pathways that fit your interests, abilities and passions



<https://go.gov.sg/post-sec-edu>



<https://go.gov.sg/whats-next-olevel>



<https://go.gov.sg/whats-next-nlevel>



<https://go.gov.sg/the-nextstepforward>

Other Updates – for those considering A level track

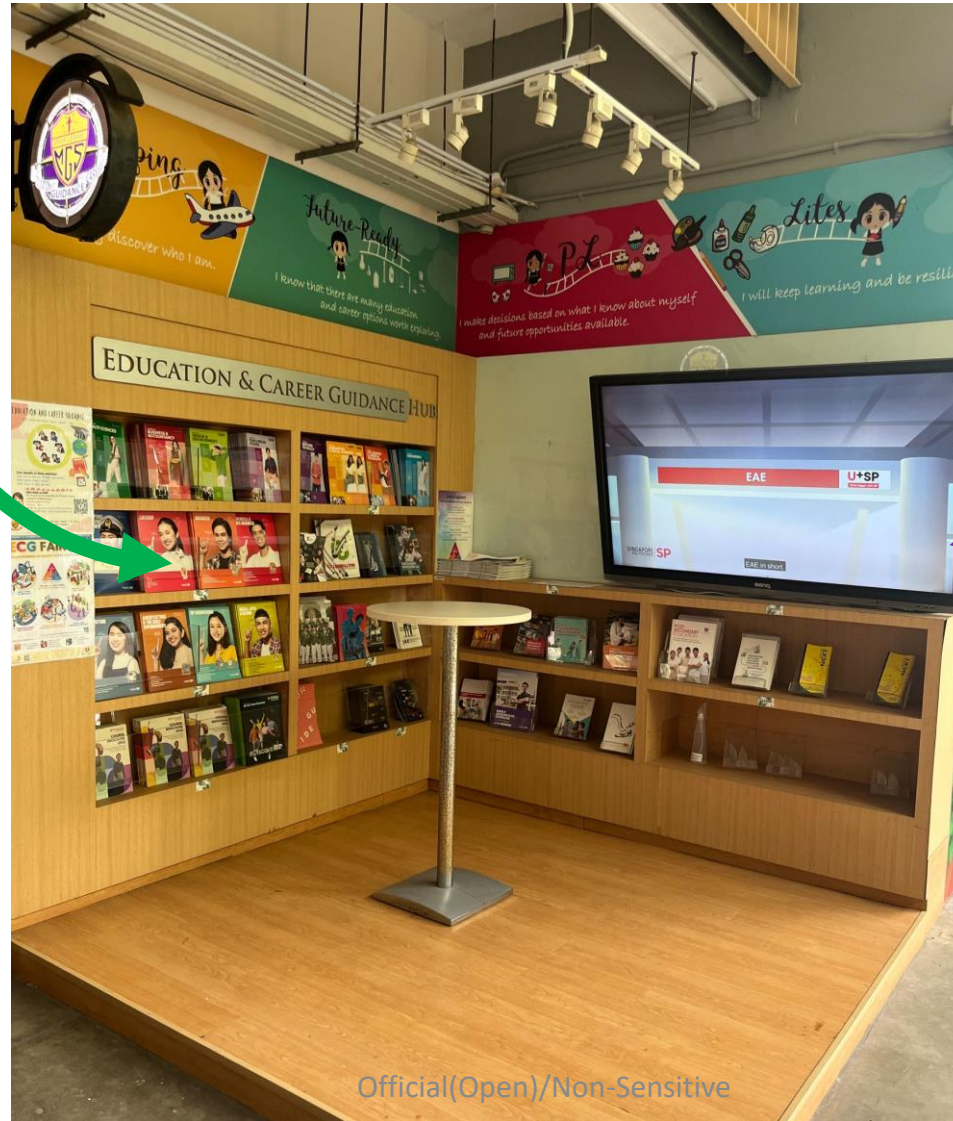
- From 2026, the fourth content-based subject will be included in the computation of UAS only if it improves the UAS. This will allow JC/MI students room to choose their fourth content-based subject by interest without being overly concerned by examination grades.
- Change Project Work (PW)'s grading to "Pass/Fail" means that it will be removed from the computation of UAS. Hence, from 2026, the maximum UAS will become 70 points.



Where to find more information? ECG Hub near Canteen/Carpark

Information booklets
from Post-Sec
institutions
(Polytechnics, Junior
Colleges, ITE, Laselle,
NAFA etc)

ECG counsellor,
Ms Chong's
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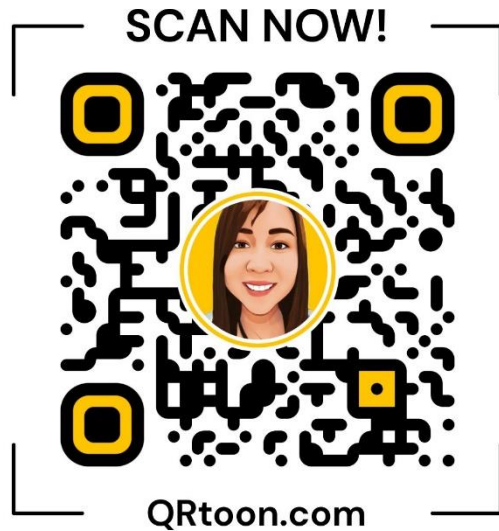
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BOOK AN APPOINTMENT WITH OUR ECG COUNSELLOR



Tuesday and **Thursday**

8.30am – 5pm

Email: chong_soo_hui_priscilla@moe.edu.sg

Booking form: <https://go.gov.sg/plmgss-ecg>



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THANK YOU!

