

22 February 2013

Dear Parents,

**“New Academic Structure: New Senior Secondary Curriculum and Subject Choices”
(Seminar for Parents of Non-Chinese Speaking Students Studying in Secondary 3 – 5)**

Under the New Academic Structure (NAS), senior secondary education provides students with a broad and balanced curriculum to cater for diverse learning needs, foster whole person development and promote life-long learning. The Education Bureau (EDB) is going to hold five identical Parents' Seminars in March 2013 [four will be conducted in Cantonese (Chinese version of circular refers) and one in English], to help parents better understand the New Senior Secondary (NSS) curriculum and subject choices, as well as the multiple pathways under the NAS.

The seminars are targeted at parents of S3 – S5 students, but students can also come along with their parents. The programme of the seminars will include overview of NSS curriculum and subject choices, Applied Learning courses, latest information on Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education (HKDSE) examination and Q&A session.

Parents who wish to attend the captioned seminar are required **to enrol individually and bring along the confirmation slips issued by EDB to the seminar.**

Details of the seminar conducted in English are as follows:

Code	1215
Date	26.03.2013 (Tuesday)
Time	5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Venue	Kowloon Technical School (332 - 334 Cheung Sha Wan Road, Kowloon)
Subject	To help parents better understand the NSS curriculum and multiple pathways under the NAS
Content	1. Overview of NSS curriculum 2. Latest information of HKDSE examination 3. Multiple pathways under the NAS 4. Q & A Session
<u>Enrollment</u>	Please access http://www.edb.gov.hk/parentstalks_e for enrolment details and individual enrolment (Code: 1215).
<u>Registration</u>	Registration will start on 27.02.2013 (Wednesday) (Seats are reserved on the first-come-first-served basis. Confirmation slips via e-mail or fax, serving as admission tickets, will be sent to successful applicants at least 2 days before the event.)

Please refer to the PowerPoint slides of this seminar to be uploaded onto the NAS Web Bulletin (<http://www.edb.gov.hk/nas>) if you are not able to attend.

If Black Rainstorm Warning or Tropical Cyclone Signal No. 8 or above is in force at or after 1:00 p.m., the seminar will be cancelled. If the government has announced that venue of the above seminar should be temporarily closed for cleaning to prevent the spread of influenza, the seminar will also be cancelled.

Yours sincerely,

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Principal