



MEMORANDUM ON MALPRACTICE DURING EXAMINATION

1. Any act of dishonesty or malpractice in any paper or component will result in a zero mark for that paper or component, and disciplinary action will be taken against the candidate.
2. The following are examples of dishonesty and malpractice by candidates. The list is not exhaustive and other instances of dishonesty and malpractice may be considered by the Examinations Committee of Hougang Secondary School at its sole discretion:
 - (a) obtaining unauthorised access to examination material,
 - (b) introduction of unauthorised material into examination room,
 - (c) use of a calculator or other means of arriving at an answer when this is precluded in the syllabus/component,
 - (d) collusion or attempted collusion with other candidate(s) during examination,
 - (e) copying from another candidate,
 - (f) disruptive behaviour in the examination room,
 - (g) failure to abide by the instructions of an invigilator,
 - (h) impersonation,
 - (i) plagiarism,
 - (j) failure to abide by the conditions of supervision designed to maintain the security of the examinations,
 - (k) the inclusion of offensive or obscene material in scripts or Coursework,
 - (l) the failure to properly acknowledge sources in Coursework projects,
 - (m) the submission of another person's work as if it were the candidate's own,
 - (n) the alteration of any results document, including certificates, and
 - (o) any form of communication, including verbal interactions, hand gestures, or facial expressions, during the examination.
3. It is mandatory for candidates to be familiar and comply with all examination rules and regulations. Candidates who sit for the examinations are deemed to have read and understood the examination rules and regulations.

You must not have in your possession:

- 3.1 Any unauthorised electronic, communication, smart or computerised devices within the examination premises (e.g., examination venue, quarantine room, waiting room). Examples of unauthorised devices include but are not limited to:

• Computerised devices ▪ Tablet ▪ Pocket PC ▪ Personal Digital Assistant ▪ Digital diary ▪ eBook	• Communication devices ▪ Mobile phone ▪ Smart watch ▪ Earphones
• Smart devices ▪ Smart watch ▪ Smart glasses ▪ Fitness tracker	• Other Electronic devices ▪ Camera ▪ Audio recorder/player ▪ Gaming device ▪ Storage device



3.2 Unauthorised materials

Examples of unauthorised materials include but are not limited to:

- Question paper from previous examination
- Writing paper
- Sticky note
- Book
- Notes/reference material
- Conversion table/Formulae sheet in mathematical set or calculator cover

4. When the use of dictionaries or texts is permitted in the examination, candidates must ensure that only approved dictionaries and texts are brought into the examination room. These dictionaries or texts must be free from any notes or marginal annotation. Separate pieces of paper, such as post its and tape flags are not allowed. No critical works, teachers' notes, study notes, or any other secondary material of any kind should be brought into the examination room.

Candidates who contravene the regulations on the use of dictionaries and texts are liable to the same penalty as those who are found guilty of dishonesty or malpractice in the examination.

5. A candidate may be expelled from the examination room, refused entry for subsequent papers; and have his or her papers cancelled if he or she is detected for dishonesty.
6. Candidates who wear outerwear (e.g., jackets, cardigan, windbreaker, sweater) into the examination venue **must ensure that the outerwear does not have any unauthorised materials or devices**. The candidate may be asked to remove the outerwear for checks by examination personnel before or during the examinations.

2026 Secondary 4 Express / Secondary 5 Normal Academic Preliminary Examination Timetable

Date/Day	Paper	Venue	Duration	Time
19 Aug (Wed) Late Start	Chemistry Paper 3	Science Labs	1 h 50 min	By Shifts
20 Aug (Thu)	Science (Phy/Chem) Paper 5 / Science (Chem/Bio) Paper 5	Science Labs	1 h 30 min	By Shifts
21 Aug (Fri)	Physics Paper 3 / Biology Paper 3	Science Labs	1 h 50 min	By Shifts
24 Aug (Mon)	English Language Paper 1	Hall	1 h 50 min	08 00 – 09 50
	English Language Paper 2	Hall	1 h 50 min	11 00 – 12 50
25 Aug (Tue)	Humanities Paper 1 (Social Studies)	Hall	1 h 45 min	08 00 – 09 45
	Higher Chinese Language Paper 1	Hall	2 h	11.00 – 13 00
26 Aug (Wed) Late Start	Mathematics Paper 1	Hall	2 h 15 min	09 00 – 11 15
	Principles of Accounts Paper 1	Hall	1 h	12 15 – 13 15
	Computing Paper 1	Hall	2 h	12 15 – 14 15
27 Aug (Thu)	Humanities Paper 2 (Malay Literature)	Hall	1 h 40 min	08 00 – 09 40
	Humanities Paper 2 (Geography)	Hall	1 h 45 min	08 00 – 09 45
	Humanities Paper 2 (History)	Hall	1 h 50 min	08 00 – 09 50
	Mathematics Paper 2	Hall	2 h 15 min	11 00 – 13 15
28 Aug (Fri)	Chemistry Paper 2	Hall	1 h 45 min	08 00 – 09 45
	Science (Chemistry) Paper 3	Hall	1 h 15 min	08 00 – 09 15
	Higher Chinese Language Paper 2	Hall	1 h 45 min	11 00 – 12 45

Date/Day	Paper	Venue	Duration	Time
31 Aug (Mon)	Science (Physics) Paper 2 / Science (Biology) Paper 4	Hall	1 h 15 min	08 00 – 09 15
	Physics Paper 2 / Biology Paper 2	Hall	1 h 45 min	08 00 – 09 45
	Literature in English Paper 1	Hall	1 h 40 min	11 00 – 12 40
	Additional Mathematics Paper 1	Hall	2 h 15 min	11 00 – 13 15
1 Sep (Tue)	Literature in English Paper 2	Hall	1 h 30 min	08 00 – 09 30
	Design and Technology Paper 1	Hall	2 h	08 00 – 10 00
	Nutrition and Food Science Paper 1	Hall	2 h	08 00 – 10 00
	Additional Mathematics Paper 2	Hall	2 h 15 min	08 00 – 10 15
	Art Paper 1	Hall	2 h 15 min	08 00 – 10 15
2 Sep (Wed) Late Start	Physics Paper 1 / Biology Paper 1	Hall	1 h	09 00 – 10 00
	Science (Phy/Chem) Paper 1 / Science (Chem/Bio) Paper 1 /	Hall	1 h	09 00 – 10 00
	Chemistry Paper 1	Hall	1 h	11 00 – 12 00
	Principles of Accounts Paper 2	Hall	2 h	11 00 – 13 00
	Computing Paper 2	Computer Lab 2	2 h 30 min	11 00 – 13 30

2026 Secondary 4 Normal Academic Preliminary Examination Timetable

Date/Day	Paper	Venue	Duration	Time
12 Aug (Wed)	English Language (Syllabus A) Paper 1	Hall	1 h 50 min	09 00 – 10 50
Late Start	English Language (Syllabus A) Paper 2	Hall	1 h 50 min	12 00 – 13 50
13 Aug (Thu)	Chinese Language / Malay Language (Syllabus A) Paper 1	Hall	2 h	08 00 – 10 00
	Chinese Language / Malay Language (Syllabus A) Paper 2 (e-Paper)	Computer Labs 2, 3 & 4	1 h 30 min	11 30 – 13 00
14 Aug (Fri)	Humanities Paper 1 (Social Studies e-Paper)	Computer Labs / AVA	1 h 45 min	08 00 – 09 45
17 Aug (Mon)	Mathematics (Syllabus A) Paper 1	Hall	2 h	08 00 – 10 00
	Humanities Paper 2 (Geography)	Hall	1 h 45 min	11 00 – 12 45
	Humanities Paper 2 (History)	Hall	1 h 50 min	11 00 – 12 50
18 Aug (Tue)	Science (Syllabus A) Physics	Hall	1 h 15 min	08 00 – 09 15
	Principles of Accounts Paper 1	Hall	1 h	10 30 – 11 30
	Literature in English Paper 1	Hall	1 h 40 min	10 30 – 12 10
19 Aug (Wed)	Mathematics (Syllabus A) Paper 2	Hall	2 h	09 00 – 11 00
Late Start				
20 Aug (Thu)	Science (Syllabus A) Chemistry	Hall	1 h 15 min	08 00 – 09 15
21 Aug (Fri)	Design and Technology Paper 1	Hall	1 h 30 min	08 00 – 09 30
	Nutrition and Food Science Paper 1	Hall	1 h 30 min	08 00 – 09 30
	Literature in English Paper 2	Hall	1 h 30 min	08 00 – 09 30
	Principles of Accounts Paper 2	Hall	2 h	08 00 – 10 00
	Art Paper 1	Hall	2 h 15 min	08 00 – 10 15

Note: Sec 4NA students taking Out-of-Stream subjects (EL, Math and Science) are to refer to the *Sec 4E/ 5N Preliminary Examination Time-Table* for their examination schedule and venue.

2026 Secondary 4 Normal Technical Preliminary Examination Timetable

Date/Day	Paper	Venue	Duration	Time
12 Aug (Wed)	English Language (Syllabus T) Paper 1 (e-Paper)	Computer Labs 2, 3 & 4	1 h 20 min	09 00 – 10 20
Late Start	English Language (Syllabus A) Paper 1	Hall	1 h 50 min	09 00 – 10 50
	English Language (Syllabus T) Paper 2	Hall	1 h 20 min	12 00 – 13 20
	English Language (Syllabus A) Paper 2	Hall	1 h 50 min	12 00 – 13 50
13 Aug (Thu)	Basic Chinese Language Paper 1 [e-Paper]	Computer Labs 2 & 3	30 min	08 00 – 08 30
	Basic Malay Language Paper 1 [e-Paper]	Computer Lab 4	30 min	08 00 – 08 30
	Chinese Language / Malay Language (Syllabus A) Paper 1	Hall	2 h	08 00 – 10 00
	Basic Chinese Language Paper 2	Computer Labs 2 & 3	40 min	09 15 – 09 55
	Basic Malay Language Paper 2	Computer Lab 4	40 min	09 15 – 09 55
	Chinese Language / Malay Language (Syllabus A) Paper 2 [e-Paper]	Computer Labs 2, 3 & 4	1 h 30 min	11 30 – 13 00
14 Aug (Fri)	Computer Applications Paper 1	Classroom	1 h 15 min	08 00 – 09 15
17 Aug (Mon)	Mathematics (Syllabus T) Paper 1	Hall	1 h 30 min	08 00 – 09 30
	Mathematics (Syllabus A) Paper 1	Hall	2 h	08 00 – 10 00
18 Aug (Tue)	Science (Syllabus T) Paper 1 [e-Paper]	Computer Labs 2, 3 & 4	1 h 15 min	08 00 – 09 15
	Science (Syllabus A) Physics	Hall	1 h 15 min	08 00 – 09 15
	Computer Applications Paper 2 [e-Paper]	Computer Labs 2, 3 & 4	1 h 30 min	10 15 – 11 45

19 Aug (Wed) Late Start	Mathematics (Syllabus T) Paper 2	Hall	1 h 30 min	09 00 – 10 30
	Mathematics (Syllabus A) Paper 2	Hall	2 h	09 00 – 11 00
20 Aug (Thu)	Science (Syllabus T) Paper 2	Hall	1 h	08 00 – 09 00
	Science (Syllabus A) Chemistry	Hall	1 h 15 min	08 00 – 09 15
21 Aug (Fri)	Computer Applications Paper 3	Computer Labs 2, 3 & 4	1 h 30 min	08 00 – 09 30
	Design and Technology Paper 1	Hall	1 h	10 30 – 11 30
	Nutrition and Food Science Paper 1	Hall	1 h 30 min	10 30 – 12 00
	Art Paper 1	Hall	1 h 30 min	10 30 – 12 00