Subject Combination Briefing 26 May 2025

Q&A from Parents

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| 1. | Q: What is the path for students taking Music as an O-Level subject in JC? Can it be considered as one of the subjects in L1R4? |
| | A: Music can be included as one of the subjects in the L1R4 computation. The Music Elective Programme (MEP) is also available at the Junior College level for students who wish to pursue music further. For further details, refer to: https://www.moe.gov.sg/education-in-sg/our-programmes/mep-jc |
| 2. | Q: If a student drops the level of Mother Tongue Languages (MTL) taken from G3 to G2, how would it affect him when it comes to the O-Level? |
| | Q: If a student takes G2 MTL and the other subjects at G3, how does that affect him at the O-Levels? |
| | A: In the revised JC admission criteria, the JC admission criteria will be adjusted to L1R4 ≤ 16. MTL need not be used in the computation of L1R4. |
| 3. | Q: What are the criteria for students to offer Higher Mother Tongue Language (HMTL) in Upper Secondary? |
| | A: At the end of Secondary 3, students' results will be reviewed in consultation with subject teachers and parents. Higher Mother Tongue Language (HMTL) will be offered to students who demonstrate a strong foundation in their Mother Tongue Language (minimum 80% overall for MTL in Secondary 2) and maintain good performance across all subjects (minimum average of 65% overall across all subjects). |
| 4. | Q: Can my child continue to take G3 Mother Tongue Language (MTL) in Upper Secondary if he were to fail it at Secondary 2? |
| | A: Students will generally remain in the assigned level in their next academic year. Students are advised to consult their subject teachers if they face difficulties in coping with any subjects. |
| 5. | Q: My child takes predominantly G2 subjects. If he would like to take Principles of Accounts (POA) in Secondary 3, would that be at G3 or G2 level? |
| | A: He will take G2 POA. |
| 6. | Q: If a student takes 3 G3 and 3 G2 subjects, what are his post-secondary options? Is this considered within the 5 G2 subject category? |
| | Q: Is the school able to provide information on grade mapping table (G3 to G2) for a G2 student taking G3 subject(s)? |
| | Yes, it is considered within the 5 G2 subject category. |

The Grade Mapping Table (G3 to G2) can be found at (under Polytechnic Year 1 Admission Criteria):

https://www.moe.gov.sg/microsites/psle-fsbb/full-subject-based-banding/secondary-school-experience.html