

# Ministry of Education SINGAPORE

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## Information Note on 2023 Direct School Admission - Junior Colleges (DSA-JC)

Dear Student.

You will be completing your secondary education soon. At this juncture, you may wish to find out more about Direct School Admission - Junior Colleges (DSA-JC), which provides you an alternative avenue for seeking JC admission.

#### What is DSA-JC?

DSA-JC provides students with the opportunity to seek admission to a junior college (JC), based on a diverse range of specific academic and non-academic achievements and talents that they can demonstrate beyond the GCE O-Level examination.

#### How is DSA-JC conducted?

The 2023 DSA-JC will be conducted in two phases according to the following schedule.

Phase	Stage	Dates	Remarks				
Phase 1 & 2	Application	Each DSA-JC school sets its own application timeline. Students should visit the individual schools' website for information on application period, procedures and selection criteria.					
Phase 1	Offer Stage	26 Jun to 10 Aug	Schools conduct selection and make Phase 1 offers during this stage.				
	Acceptance Stage	11 Aug to 15 Aug	A student may accept only <u>one</u> Phase 1 offer within this stage, regardless of the number of offers received. Phase 1 offers that are not accepted expire at the end of this stage.				
	Cooling-Off Stage	16 Aug to 18 Aug	Students may cancel earlier acceptance of Phase 1 offers if they wish to consider Phase 2 offers.				
Phase 2	Offer Stage	16 Aug to 5 Sep	Schools make Phase 2 offers during this stage.				
	Acceptance Stage	6 Sep to 11 Sep	A student who has yet to commit to an offer may accept only <u>one</u> Phase 2 offer within this period, regardless of the number of offers received. Phase 2 offers that are not accepted expire at the end of this stage.				

You can find out more about the 2023 DSA-JC in **Annex A** and the list of participating schools and their websites in **Annex B**. To know more about the detailed DSA-JC schedule, selection process and criteria, as well as talent areas offered by individual DSA-JC school, you should visit the respective school's website. Please consider carefully what your strengths are, and which school best meets your needs, before you commit yourself to participating in selections conducted by the schools.

By the end of the Offer Stage of each Phase, schools will make offers to their selected students. Students with offer can decide whether to accept or reject the offer. If you accept an offer before its expiry date, you will be guaranteed a place in the JC, so long as you meet the eligibility criteria for JC admission based on

your GCE O-Level examination results<sup>1</sup>. You are NOT allowed to accept more than one offer. If you do so, you will be disqualified from DSA-JC, and will have to participate in the Joint Admissions Exercise (JAE) if you still wish to seek JC admission.

Once you have accepted an offer under DSA-JC, you are not allowed to participate in the JAE if you meet the eligibility criteria for JC admission based on your GCE O-Level examination results. You are also not allowed to transfer to another school after the release of the GCE O-Level examination results. You are expected to honour your commitment to the DSA-JC school and participate in activities related to the talent selected in, for the duration of the programme that you are admitted to. Students who do not fulfil their DSA commitment without valid reason may be required to transfer out to another school. Hence, please consider very carefully before you accept DSA-JC offer.

If you change your mind after accepting an offer and wish to cancel the acceptance, your parent will have to submit the completed DSA-JC Cancellation Form <u>no later than 6 Oct 2023, 5pm</u>. Please request the form from the DSA-JC school which you have accepted the offer. The DSA-JC school will email you and your parent the outcome of your cancellation request. After you have successfully cancelled your acceptance, you will be allowed to participate in the JAE.

#### Early Admissions Exercise (EAE)

O-Level students who wish to gain admission to a polytechnic can also participate in the Polytechnic EAE (Poly EAE), which will commence on **22 Jun 2023**, for admission in **AY2024**.

Students may also participate in the Institute of Technical Education EAE (ITE EAE) if they wish to gain admission to ITE. Applications open on **24 May 2023**, for admission in **AY2024**.

If you have accepted an EAE offer from a polytechnic or ITE and have met the criteria for admission to the course you have been offered, you will be guaranteed a place in that polytechnic or ITE course and you will not be allowed to participate in the JAE.

#### Participation in DSA-JC and EAE

Students can participate in DSA-JC and EAE concurrently. However, they may accept only one offer i.e. either a DSA-JC or EAE offer. Students found to have accepted both DSA-JC and EAE offers concurrently will be disqualified from these exercises, unless they cancel either of their offers before the end of the Acceptance Stage.

#### For Further Information

You may refer to the following websites to get more information.

- DSA-JC at MOE website: <a href="www.moe.gov.sg/dsa-jc">www.moe.gov.sg/dsa-jc</a>
- Poly EAE for O-Level students: https://eae.polytechnic.edu.sq
- ITE EAE for O-Level students: http://www.ite.edu.sg/apply-eae

If you do not wish to participate in DSA-JC, Poly or ITE EAE, you can participate in the JAE in Jan 2024 after the release of the GCE O-Level examination results for posting to JC, MI, polytechnic or ITE.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Students who do not meet the eligibility criteria for JC admission based on their GCE O-Level examination results will not be admitted to the JC under DSA-JC. These students may participate in the Joint Admissions Exercise to seek admission to MI, polytechnics, or ITE, if they qualify for a course offered by the institution.

	PHASE 1 PROCESS  (All participating schools)	PHASE 2 PROCESS  (Participating schools: ASRJC, ACJC, CJC, JPJC, NYJC, SSP, SAJC, TMJC, YIJC)				
APPLICATION  (The application deadline for each DSA- JC school may be different)		Admission to JCs for admission in 2024 should e. They should visit the individual schools' websites res and selection criteria, which may differ across				
	OFFER STAGE					
26 Jun-10 Aug 2023	JC may shortlist and make offers to selected students.					
	ACCEPTANCE STAGE					
	A student may accept only one offer by submitting his acceptance form to the JC.					
11 Aug-15 Aug 2023	He is guaranteed a place in the JC if he accepts the offer during this stage and meets the eligibility criteria for JC admission.					
	COOLING-OFF STAGE					
16 Aug-18Aug 2023	Students may cancel their Phase 1 acceptances during this stage if they wish to accept a Phase 2 offer.					
		OFFER STAGE				
16 Aug – 5Sep 2023		JC may shortlist and make offers to selected students.				
		ACCEPTANCE STAGE				
		A student may accept only one offer by submitting his acceptance form to the JC.				
/ Son 11 Son 2022		He is guaranteed a place in the JC if he accepts the offer during this stage and meets the eligibility criteria for JC admission.				
6 Sep-11 Sep 2023		Note: Students can participate in the DSA-JC Exercise and Early Admissions Exercise (EAE) concurrently. However, they may accept only one offer i.e. either a DSA-JC or EAE offer. Students found to have accepted both DSA-JC and EAE offers concurrently will be disqualified from these exercises, unless they cancel either of their acceptances before the end of the Acceptance Stage.				
	WITHDRAV	VAL STAGE				
By 6 Oct 2023 (Phase 1 & 2:	Students who wish to participate in the Joint Admissions Exercise (JAE) must cancel their acceptance from 2023 DSA-JC by 6 Oct 2023, 5.00pm.					

Annex A

Withdrawal)

schools.

Students successfully admitted to a school via DSA-JC are not allowed to participate in the annual JAE. They are also not allowed to transfer to another school after the release of the GCE

O-Level examination results. They are expected to honour their commitment to the DSA-JC

## **Annex B**

## List of Schools Participating in 2023 DSA-JC

The following table shows

- a. School type (i) Government and Government-aided JC (**GGA**), (ii) Independent School offering JC or equivalent courses/ Independent JC (**IS**) and (iii) Specialised Independent School (**SIS**)
- b. Phase the DSA-JC school participates in (i) Phase 1 only or (ii) Phase 1 and 2.

Name of JC	Website	School Type			School participating in Phase	
		GGA	IS	SIS	1	2
Anderson Serangoon Junior College	https://asrjc.moe.edu.sg	$\checkmark$			$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
Anglo-Chinese School (Independent)	https://www.acsindep.moe.edu.sg		√		<b>√</b>	
Anglo-Chinese Junior College	https://acjc.moe.edu.sg	√			<b>√</b>	√
Catholic Junior College	https://cjc.moe.edu.sg	1			<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>
Dunman High School	https://dunmanhigh.moe.edu.sg	V			$\sqrt{}$	
Eunoia Junior College	https://eunoiajc.moe.edu.sg	V			V	
Hwa Chong Institution	http://www.hci.edu.sg		$\sqrt{}$		$\sqrt{}$	
Jurong Pioneer Junior College	https://jpjc.moe.edu.sg	V			$\sqrt{}$	V
Nanyang Junior College	https://nanyangjc.moe.edu.sg	√			$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$
National Junior College	https://nationaljc.moe.edu.sg	√			$\sqrt{}$	
Raffles Institution	http://www.ri.edu.sg		$\sqrt{}$		$\sqrt{}$	
River Valley High School	https://rivervalleyhigh.moe.edu.sg	V			$\sqrt{}$	
School of the Arts, Singapore	https://www.sota.edu.sg			√	<b>√</b>	
Singapore Sports School	https://www.sportsschool.edu.sg			√	<b>√</b>	$\sqrt{}$
St. Andrew's Junior College	https://standrewsjc.moe.edu.sg	<b>V</b>			$\sqrt{}$	$\sqrt{}$
St. Joseph's Institution	https://www.sji.edu.sg		<b>√</b>		V	
Tampines Meridian Junior College	https://tmjc.moe.edu.sg	√			V	V
Temasek Junior College	https://www.temasekjc.moe.edu.sg	√			<b>√</b>	
Victoria Junior College	https://victoriajc.moe.edu.sg	√			<b>√</b>	
Yishun Innova Junior College	https://yijc.moe.edu.sg	√			<b>√</b>	√