

20<sup>th</sup> February 2020

Dear Parents / Guardians,

**Re: Secondary School Places Allocation (SSPA) 2018/2020**  
**Revised Submission of Scores for Primary 6 (P6) Second Term Internal Assessment (IA) and**  
**Secondary 1 (S1) Discretionary Places (DP) Applications**

In view of the development of the novel coronavirus infection, the Education Bureau (EDB) announced that all schools in Hong Kong would not resume classes on or before 16 March 2020. Affected by the deferral of class resumption, the administrative arrangements in connection with SSPA will be adjusted accordingly to provide schools with sufficient time to handle the related work.

**1. Arrangement on P6 Second Term IA**

EDB has decided that classes would not resume on or before 16 March 2020, schools will not need to conduct the P6 second term IA or submit the scores. The allocation band of individual P6 students will then be determined by their scaled IA scores obtained at the end of Primary 5 and the mid-year of Primary 6.

**2. Arrangement of DP Applications**

With the implementation of the New Notification Arrangements for S1 DP applications starting from the SSPA cycle, all participating secondary schools are required to, after processing DP applications, notify parents of successful applicants of their children's inclusion in the Successful Lists for Discretionary Places on a date specified by EDB. In view of the impact of deferral of class resumption on the selection procedures, the date for participating secondary schools to notify parents of successful applicants is **extended from 31 March 2020 (Tuesday) to 7 April 2020 (Tuesday)**.

- 3.** If the parents concerned have also successfully applied for a school place in a non-participating Direct Subsidy Scheme secondary school (NDSS secondary school) for their children, the deadline for these parents to decide whether to retain the offer will also be extended. If the parents concerned decide to decline the offer from the NDSS secondary school and retain the DP Place which they are successfully obtained, the deadline for them to notify the NDSS secondary school concerned and retrieve the signed undertaking and the original copy of the Primary 6 Student Record Form is **extended from 7 April 2020 (Tuesday) to 16 April 2020 (Thursday)**.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your child/ward class teachers. Thank you for your kind attention.

Sincerely,  
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