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# Information Note on 2021 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?

2. 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?

3. The 2021 DSA-JC will be conducted in two Phases according to the following schedule.

Phase	Stage	Dates	Remarks	
Phase 1	Application	Application deadline for each DSA-JC school may be different. Students should visit		
& 2		the individual schools' website for information on application period, procedures and		
		selection criteria.		
Phase 1	Offer Stage	28 Jun to	Schools conduct selection and make Phase 1 offers during this stage.	
		11 Aug		
	Acceptance	12 Aug to	A student may accept only one Phase 1 offer within this stage,	
	Stage	16 Aug	regardless of the number of offers received. Phase 1 offers that are not	
			accepted expire at the end of this stage.	
	Cooling-Off	17 Aug to	Students may cancel earlier acceptance of Phase 1 offers if they wish	
	Stage	19 Aug	to consider Phase 2 offers.	
Phase 2	Offer Stage	17 Aug to	Schools make Phase 2 offers during this stage.	
		6 Sep		
	Acceptance	7 Sep to	A student who has yet to commit to an offer may accept only one Phase	
	Stage	10 Sep	2 offer within this period, regardless of the number of offers received.	

- 4. You can find out more about the 2021 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 of individual DSA-JC school offering the talent area you are interested in, 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.
- 5. 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.

<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.





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.

- 6. 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.
- 7. 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 no later than <u>8 Oct 2021, 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 on 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)**

- 8. O-Level students who wish to gain admission to a polytechnic can also participate in the Polytechnic EAE (Poly EAE), which will commence on **24 Jun 2021**, for admission in **AY2022**.
- 9. Students may also participate in the Institute of Technical Education EAE (ITE EAE) if they wish to gain admission to ITE. Applications open on **27 May 2021**, for admission in **AY2022**.
- 10. 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

11. 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

- 12. You may refer to the following websites to get more information.
  - 2021 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.sg
  - ITE EAE for O-Level students: <a href="https://www.ite.edu.sg/admissions/full-time-courses/higher-nitec/eae/">https://www.ite.edu.sg/admissions/full-time-courses/higher-nitec/eae/</a>
- 13. If you do not wish to participate in DSA-JC, Poly or ITE EAE, you can participate in the JAE in Jan 2022 after the release of the GCE O-Level examination results for posting to JC, MI, Poly or ITE.

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# **PHASE 1 PROCESS**

(All participating schools)

## PHASE 2 PROCESS

Annex A

(Participating schools: ASRJC, ACJC, CJC, JPJC, NYJC, SSP, SAJC, TMJC, YIJC)

#### **APPLICATION**

(The application deadline for each DSA JC school may be different)

Students interested in applying for Direct School Admission to JCs for admission in 2022 should submit the DSA application before the deadline. They should visit the individual schools' websites for information on application periods, procedures and selection criteria, which may differ across schools.

28 Jun - 11 Aug 2021 JC may shortlist and make offers to selected

12 Aug – 16 Aug 2021

ACCEPTANCE STAGE

A student may accept only one offer by submitting his acceptance form to the JC.

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**OFFER STAGE** 

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** 

Students may cancel their Phase 1 acceptances during this stage if they wish to accept a Phase 2 offer.

17 Aug - 19 Aug 2021

**OFFER STAGE** 

JC may shortlist and make offers to selected students.

17 Aug - 6Sep 2021

**ACCEPTANCE STAGE** 

A student may accept only one offer by submitting his acceptance form to the JC.

He is guaranteed a place in the JC if he accepts the offer during this stage and meets the eligibility criteria for JC admission.

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 offers before the end of the Acceptance Stage.

7 Sep-10 Sep 2021

**WITHDRAWAL STAGE** 

Students who wish to participate in the Joint Admissions Exercise (JAE) must cancel their acceptance from 2021 DSA-JC by **8 Oct 2021**, **5.00pm**.

By 8 Oct 2021 (Phase 1 & 2: Withdrawal)

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 schools.





# List of Schools Participating in 2021 DSA-JC

Name of JC	Website
Anderson Serangoon Junior College	https://asrjc.moe.edu.sg
Anglo-Chinese School (Independent)*^	https://www.acsindep.moe.edu.sg
Anglo-Chinese Junior College*	https://acjc.moe.edu.sg
Catholic Junior College*	https://cjc.moe.edu.sg
Dunman High School^	https://dunmanhigh.moe.edu.sg
Eunoia Junior College^	https://eunoiajc.moe.edu.sg
Hwa Chong Institution#^	http://www.hci.edu.sg
Jurong Pioneer Junior College	https://jpjc.moe.edu.sg
Nanyang Junior College*	https://nanyangjc.moe.edu.sg
National Junior College^	https://nationaljc.moe.edu.sg
Raffles Institution#^	http://www.ri.edu.sg
River Valley High School <sup>^</sup>	https://rivervalleyhigh.moe.edu.sg
School Of The Arts, Singapore@^	https://www.sota.edu.sg
Singapore Sports School <sup>®</sup>	https://www.sportsschool.edu.sg
St. Andrew's Junior College*	https://standrewsjc.moe.edu.sg
St. Joseph's Institution#^	https://www.sji.edu.sg
Tampines Meridian Junior College	https://tmjc.moe.edu.sg
Temasek Junior College^	https://www.temasekjc.moe.edu.sg
Victoria Junior College^	https://victoriajc.moe.edu.sg
Yishun Innova Junior College	https://yijc.moe.edu.sg

<sup>\*</sup> Government-aided JC

<sup>^</sup> JCs participating in Phase 1 only





<sup>#</sup> Independent School offering JC or equivalent courses / Independent JC @ Specialised Independent School