

## Education Bureau Circular Memorandum No. 99/2024

From: Secretary for Education

To: Heads of all Primary and  
Secondary Schools (excluding  
ESF and International Schools)

Date: 2 May 2024

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### **Territory-wide System Assessment of Chinese Language, English Language and Mathematics at Primary 3 (P3), Primary 6 (P6) and Secondary 3 (S3) in 2024/25**

(Note: This circular memorandum should be read by Heads of all primary and secondary schools, excluding ESF and International Schools, for necessary action.)

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of this circular memorandum is to inform schools of the arrangements of the Territory-wide System Assessment (TSA) of Chinese Language, English Language and Mathematics at P3, P6 and S3 for the 2024/25 school year.

#### **TSA in 2024/25 School Year**

##### **Primary 3**

2. The Chinese audio-visual (CAV) assessment and speaking assessments for Chinese Language and English Language at P3 will be conducted on a sampling basis on **8 May 2025 (Thursday) or 9 May 2025 (Friday)** (with 13 May 2025 (Tuesday) as the fallback date). The HKEAA will inform each school nearer the time the assigned date for the speaking assessments. Meanwhile, the assessment for Mathematics, and the written assessments for Chinese Language and English Language at P3 will be conducted on a sampling basis on **16 June 2025 (Monday) and 17 June 2025 (Tuesday)** (with 23 June 2025 (Monday) as the fallback date). The HKEAA will later issue letters to inform schools of the details on arranging P3 students to participate in TSA and also on the related school reports.

##### **Primary 6**

3. Since 2015, P6 TSA has been conducted in odd-numbered years. The CAV assessment and speaking assessments for Chinese Language and English Language at

P6 will be conducted on a sampling basis on **15 May 2025 (Thursday) or 16 May 2025 (Friday)** (with 20 May 2025 (Tuesday) as the fallback date). The HKEAA will inform each school nearer the time the assigned date for the speaking assessments. The assessment for Mathematics, and the written assessments for Chinese Language and English Language at P6 will be conducted on **16 June 2025 (Monday) and 17 June 2025 (Tuesday)** (with 23 June 2025 (Monday) as the fallback date).

### **Secondary 3**

4. The speaking assessments for Chinese Language and English Language at S3 will be conducted on a sampling basis on **29 April 2025 (Tuesday) or 30 April 2025 (Wednesday)** (with 6 May 2025 (Tuesday) as the fallback date). The HKEAA will inform each school nearer the time the assigned date for the speaking assessments. The assessment for Mathematics, and the written assessments for Chinese Language and English Language at S3 will take two days. Schools are requested to reserve **19 June 2025 (Thursday) and 20 June 2025 (Friday)** (with 25 June 2025 (Wednesday) as the fallback date) for administering TSA.

### **Participation of NCS and SEN students**

5. TSA provides not only objective data on territory-wide students' Basic Competencies for the Government, but also data for schools on their students' overall performance in different learning dimensions. In 2024, schools are requested to arrange all students (including Non-Chinese Speaking (NCS) students and students with special educational needs (SEN)) to participate in S3 assessments; while all P3 students (including NCS and SEN students) will participate on a sampling basis at the territory-wide level.

6. As in the past years, the HKEAA will provide schools participating in P6 or S3 TSA with detailed school reports. Schools which arrange all their P3 students to participate in TSA will also be provided with detailed school reports. Besides, if the above-mentioned schools engage five or more NCS students **or** five or more SEN students in TSA, the HKEAA will also provide reports on the overall performance of the relevant student groups. In addition, the HKEAA also provides assessment support measures to accommodate NCS and SEN students in need, and will later inform schools of the related details.

## **Enquiries**

7. For enquiries, please contact the following persons:

Enquiry on administration of TSA:

- Dr Tenny LAM, Head of Education Assessment Services of the HKEAA at  
3628 8100

Enquiry on general policy of TSA:

- Mr Michael LEUNG, Assistant Secretary for Education at 2921 8943

## **Reminder**

8. Schools are reminded to inform parents of the schedule for the assessments and the contingency arrangements during adverse weather (including the fallback dates) to facilitate the smooth implementation of TSA.

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for Secretary for Education

cc: Heads of Sections – for information