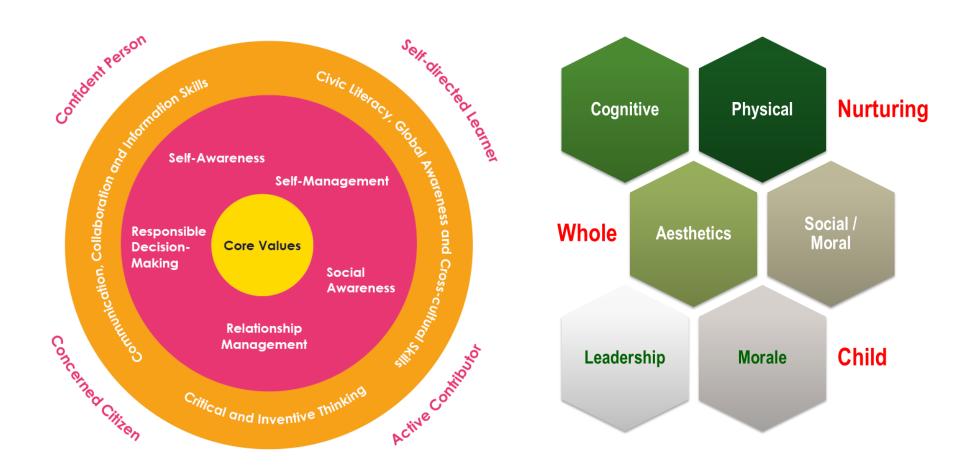
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Our Total Curriculum for Student Outcomes



FOCUS ON YOUR CHILD'S HOLISTIC DEVELOPMENT

Is my child coping well in class?

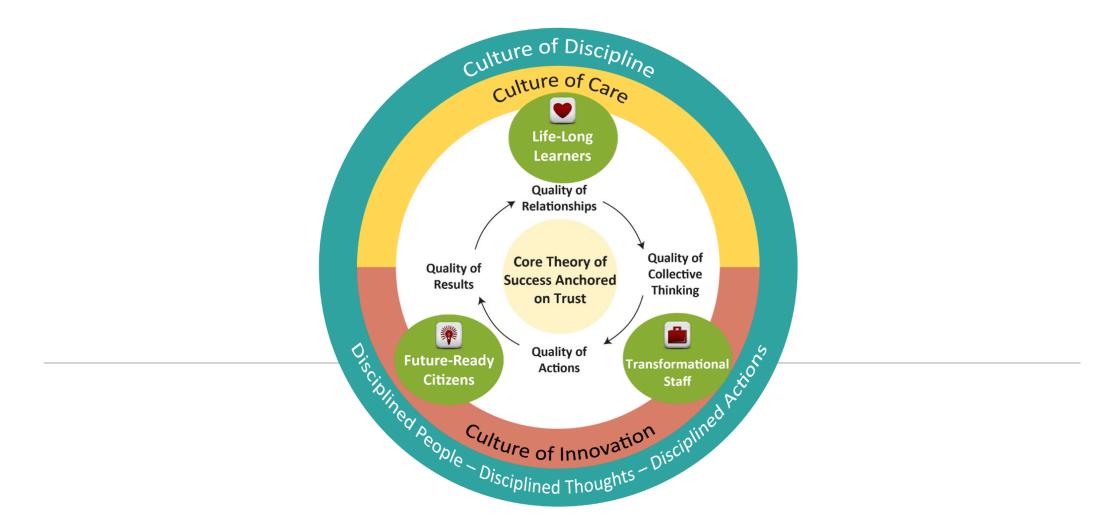
How is my child interacting with others?

How can I grow my child's interests and strengths?

How can I work together with the teachers to help him?

Is my child adopting healthy habits in school?

ENDURING SCHOOL CULTURE BASED ON THE CORE THEORY OF SUCCESS



As parents, you can:

Encourage Joy of Learning by not over-emphasising academic performance.

Focus on your child's learning journey, rather than compare them to others.

With these changes, your child will:

- Have more time and space to deepen learning
- Better enjoy the process of learning
- Develop dispositions for lifelong learning



Don't focus only on results

Encourage them to pursue their strengths, interests and try new things.



Set goals together

Talk about their strengths, abilities and goals and how they can achieve them.



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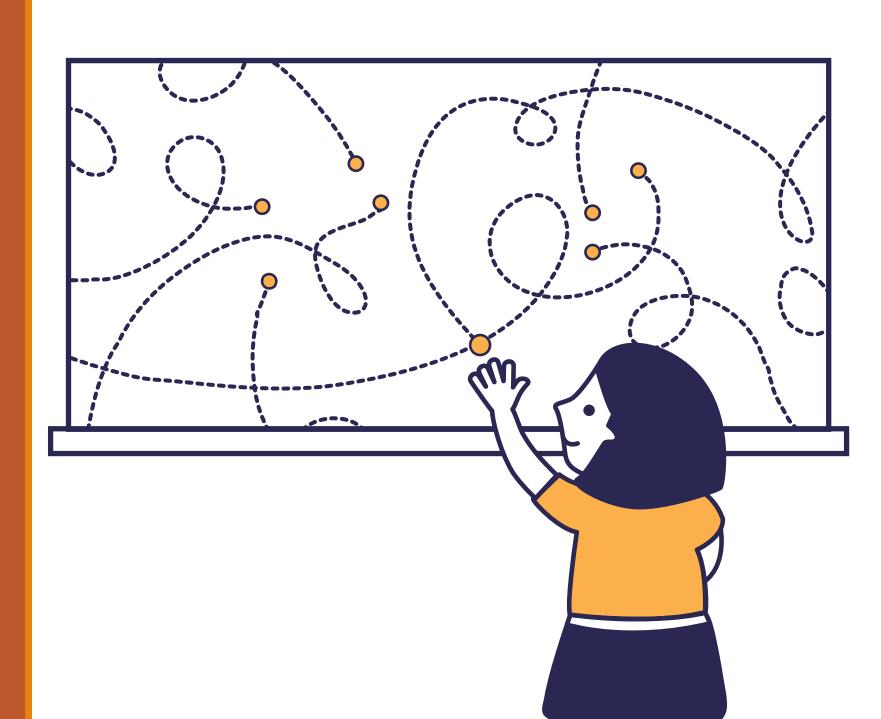
DIRECT SCHOOL ADMISSION

2021 2022 2023
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Is DSA-Sec right for my child?

You Have Many Options



Direct School Admission (DSA) Secondary

- DSA-Sec Excercise
- 1. Based on a diverse range of talents and achievements in specific academic subjects or non-academic areas, beyond what the PSLE recognizes
- 2. Allow students to access school programmes to develop their talents.

Primary School
Leaving Examination
(PSLE)

Secondary One Posting Exercise* (S1 Posting)

Based on student's PSLE score; Most students enter secondary schools this way

- 1. Mainstream Secondary Schools
- 2. Specialized Schools (eg Northlight)
- 3. IP (Integrated Schools)
- 4. Specialized Independent Schools

Ask why you want your child to apply to a DSA School

Talent
Does my child have
specific talents which a
DSA-Sec school offers?

Passion & Commitment
Is my child passionate
about and committed to
developing his/her
strengths and interests?







always thinking about what you want to learn (in your area of interest) if you had more time?

often looking for ways to learn what you are interested in.

excited by and interested when engaging in the area you are interested in?

very sure you would put in the effort & spend time in the chosen area (eg. arts or sports, etc)

able to manage your time very well?

Visual,
literary and
performing
arts

CONFIDENT LEARNERS READY FOR THE FUTURE





Languages and humanities

Debate & public speaking







Sports and games

Leadership: e.g prefects

Uniformed groups



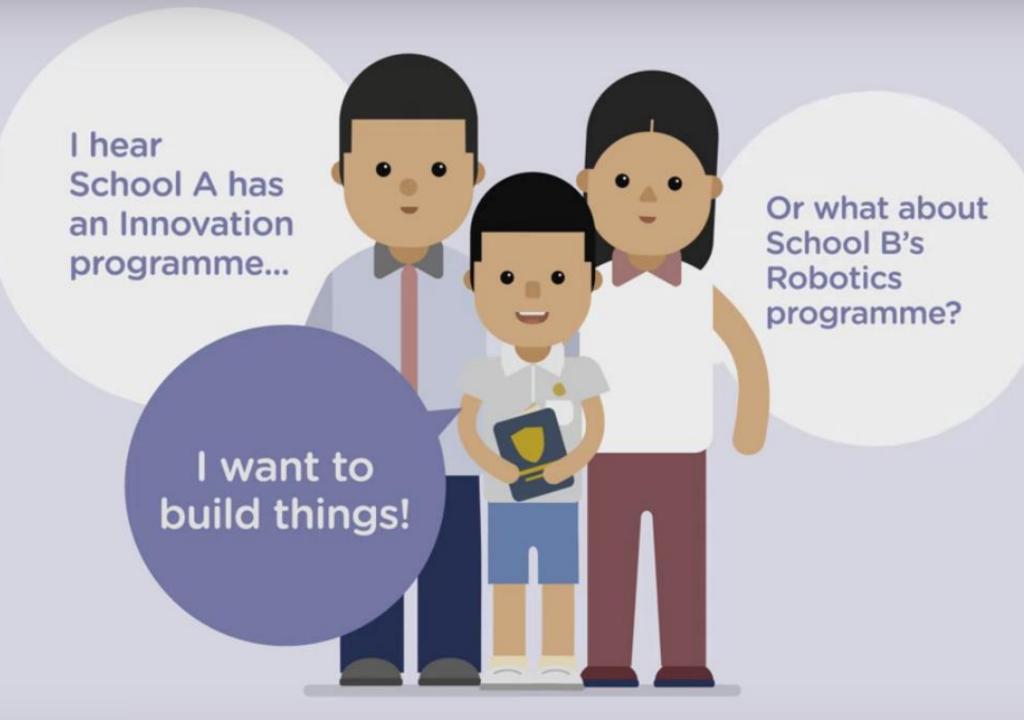




Science & mathematics

Which school should my child apply to?







... be sure that schools are looking out for students whose interest and talents they can further. So, ...

- Look for a school with programmes that match your child's strengths and interest
- Learn more about the secondary school's and range of programmes
- Consider your child's overall school experience

Get information about what each school offers by:

Read all notifications from MOE on DSA

Visit the school's websites

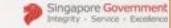
 Attending school's Open Houses to experience their environments and cultures

 Visiting the website (It will be updated around April 2024)

 WESTories : An e-book with good stories of all secondary schools in the West Zone



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9 DEC Application for Year 2021 Postgraduate Scholarship/ Award 9 DEC MOE Postgraduate Scholarship/Award (PGS/PGA) Exercise for studies in Year 2021



Ministry of Education Committee of Supply Debate 2019

School Finders





Looking for schools? Explore our SchoolFinder (beta)!

Click to try

How do I apply for DSA-Sec in 2024?

A new DSA-Sec Application Portal since 2019

- To encourage students to tap on the expanded DSA opportunities, the DSA-Sec Application process will be simplified
- As such, students will be able to apply for DSA through a centralised DSA-Sec Application Portal, using a common application form.
- The portal will simplify and streamline the DSA application process, making it convenient for all students.



What schools are looking for?

- Schools have updated their selection practices, which are based on a common set of student-centric principles, with more emphasis on looking out for sound fundamentals and potential in particular areas.
- The DSA-Sec selection process remains objective and talent-specific



If your child is successful and admitted to a secondary school through DSA, they are not allowed to:

- submit school choices during the Secondary 1(S1)
 posting exercise
- transfer to another school
- change CCA, they have to commit to the CCA they have applied for



Know your strengths & skills

Prepare for the commonly asked questions. This improves your answering skills and increases your confidence

Tips for DSA

Strengths are personal traits and your unique qualities. Share what makes you different from others and cite evidence of how you have demonstrated your skills and talents.



Do your homework

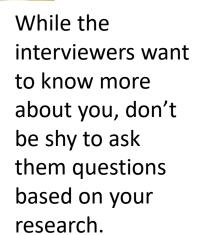


Elaborate on future contributions



Put your best foot forward

Share how you can contribute to the school in the future based on your current accomplishments. This shows you can be a valuable member of the school and community





Ask insightful questions

First impressions are crucial. Dress neatly and look presentable for the interview.

What are schools looking for?

Schools are generally looking candidates with:

Talent, Passion & Commitment

- Schools may look at achievements and participation.
- Schools may also conduct trials or selection camps to identify students with strengths, or sound potential, in particular areas.

Strong Personal Qualities

 Schools may conduct interviews

Good Academic Fit

 Schools may look at primary school results to ensure students can benefit from the pace of learning.

Encourage your child to be sincere, be genuine, be themselves – If you are a good fit for the school, it will show.

Our Niche Areas and Admission Criteria for DSA Selection

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Please declare any medical issues currently experienced. Any non-or false declarations may result in you losing your DSA place in the school.

Niche Areas	Abilities/Talents	Achievements	Competition Results in Primary 3, 4, 5 or 6
Individual Sports Athletics Badminton Rhythmic Gymnastics Squash Tennis Tenpin Bowling	Able to exhibit exceptional sports capabilities, fundamental sports skills and possesses in-depth knowledge of the sport(s) Demonstrates strong leadership potential, responsibility and resilience Highly committed	Good track record of sports performance; Represented School (and/or) Singapore Schools team or equivalent in competition(s) outside of school system, i.e. NSA sanctioned qualifying (needing certain high standards to qualify) competitions due to school not offering that particular CCA, etc Participated in Zone, National and/or International	Minimum Top 8 in individual events in zone, national or international competitions OR Minimum Top 4 in team events in zone, national or international competitions
Team Sports Basketball Netball	and self-motivated	Competitions, directly related to area of interest • Leadership position holders (e.g. Captains & Vice Captains) may also apply	Top 4 in zone, national or international competitions

Niche Areas	Abilities/Talents	Achievements	Competition Results in Primary 3, 4, 5 or 6
Performing Arts Concert Band Choir	Able to exhibit exceptional performing arts capabilities, fundamental skills and possesses in- depth knowledge of the area of interest Demonstrates strong leadership potential, responsibility and resilience Highly committed and self-motivated	Good track record of performance; Represented School (and/or) National performing arts group or equivalent in performance(s) outside of school system, e.g. MOE organized arts group, etc. Participated in SYF Arts Presentation, directly related to area of interest Leadership position holder (e.g. Student Conductor, Section Leader, etc) may also apply	Minimum "Certificate of Distinction"

What is the timeline for 2024 DSA-Sec?

Select Preferred Schools: Rank your offers if you receive offers from multiple schools

Early May to early June

Apply for DSA-Sec through DSA-Sec Application Portal

Late October



Information Gathering

Mid June – Late August

Attend interviews / Auditions / Trials (Depends on the sch)
Shortlisting and selection by secondary sch.
Sec sch will inform you of the

Sec sch will inform you of the selection outcome by August

Late November

You will know if you have been allocated to a DSA-Sec sch at the same time you receive your PSLE results.



We need to work
together to ensure the
best for your child.

All the Best In Your Journey!