

SACSS Secondary 4 and 5 Parents' Night 2015

	Junior Colleges	Polytechnics
Direct school admission is based on the child's achievements and talents before the GCE 'O' Level examination results are released.	The 2015 DSA-JC Exercise is conducted from June – August.	From July onwards.
	http://www.moe.gov.sg/education/admissions/dsa-jc	Found on respective polytechnic websites
Admission Criteria	English & Relevant 5 subjects = L1R5 L1 – English Language / Higher Mother Tongue R1 – Humanities R2 – Mathematics / Science R3 – Mathematics / Science / Humanities R4 – Any GCE 'O' Level Subject (except CCA) R5 – Any GCE 'O' Level Subject (except CCA)	(English, Relevant 2 subjects & Best 2 subjects)=L1R2B2 L1 – English Language R1 – Mathematics or Additional Mathematics R2 – Sciences for Engineering, Aerospace courses R2 – Humanities for Media & Communication courses R2 – Art for Interior Design courses B2 – Best 2 GCE 'O' Level Subjects

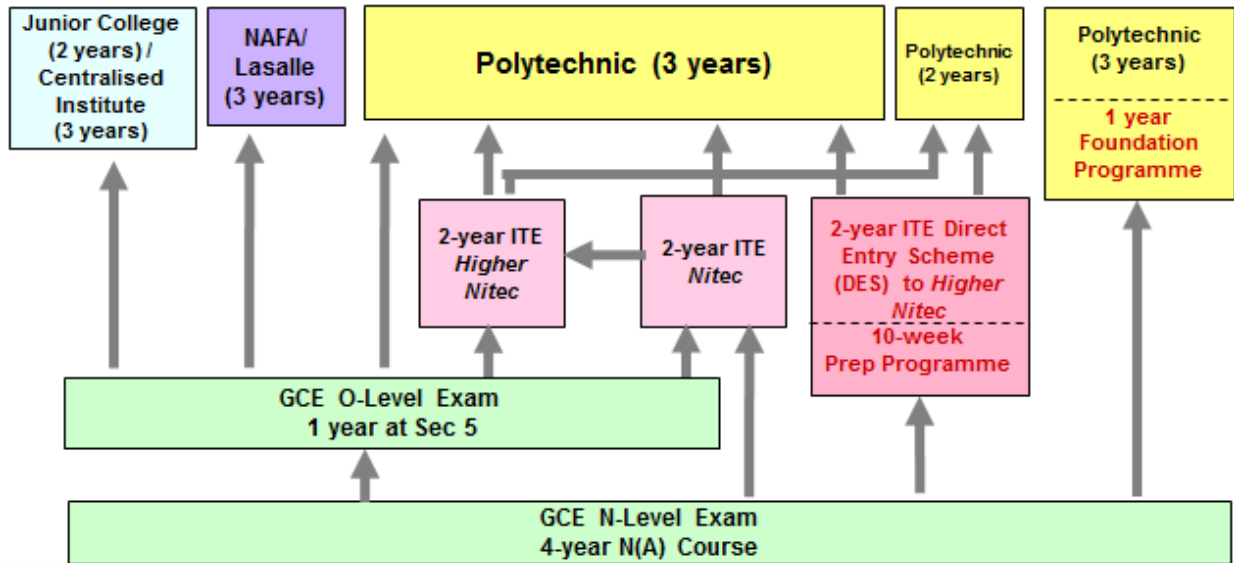
Examination Schedule 2015

(exact dates will be released by Singapore Exam and Assessment Branch at a later date)

Common Test (School)	23 – 26 February
Mother Tongue Preliminary I Paper	16 March
Preliminary Exams I (School)	4 – 15 May
O Level Mother Tongue Exam	2 June 3 June (for Mother Tongue 'B' Syllabus)
O Level Mother Tongue Orals	2 – 15 July 20 July (for Mother Tongue 'B' Syllabus)
O Level Mother Tongue Listening Comprehension	21 July
O Level English Orals	13 – 27 Aug
Preliminary Exams 2 (School) *there are no exams during the Sep break	14 Sep – 25 Sep
O Level Science Practical Exam	7 – 16 Oct
O Level Written Exam & English Listening Comprehension	19 Oct – 13 Nov

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Overview of Pathways for N(A)



Polytechnic Foundation Programme (PFP)

- 1-year programme that offers a practice-oriented curriculum
- Designed to better prepare polytechnic-bound N(A) students for entry into relevant polytechnic diploma course
- An alternative to the Sec 5 year
- PFP students are given provisional places in diploma programmes, subject to them passing all modules in the 1-year PFP
- The PFP is offered to students in the top 10% of the Sec 4N(A) cohort
- More than 70% of polytechnic diploma courses will be offered under PFP

Eligibility Criteria

English + Math + Best 3 Subjects (ELMAB3)

11 points or better

(excluding CCA bonus points)

and

minimum Grade 3 for each subjects

N(A) students who have taken GCE O-Level Exam in a few subjects can use their school-based O-Level Preliminary Exam results to compute their eligibility.

More information can be found on the website - <http://www.polytechnic.edu.sg/pfp/>

ITE Direct Entry Scheme to Polytechnic Programme (DPP)

- Direct entry to Higher Nitec, which is otherwise only available for O-level holders
- Two-year course
- Successful applicants are required to attend a 10-week preparatory course starting in January

Eligibility Criteria

English + Math + Best 3 Subjects (ELMAB3)

19 points or better

(excluding CCA bonus points)

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Students are assured of a 1st or 2nd year place in related polytechnic diploma courses, if they attain qualifying GPA (Grade Point Average) scores.

Qualifying Higher Nitec GPA for Progression to Polytechnic under DPP

Courses	Progress to first year in relevant Polytechnic Diploma Course	Progress to second year in relevant Polytechnic Diploma Course
Applied Sciences, Engineering or Info-Communications Technology Higher Nitec Courses*	ITE raw GPA ≥ 2.5 points (excluding CCA bonus points)	ITE raw GPA ≥ 3.5 points (excluding CCA bonus points)
Business and Services Higher Nitec Courses	ITE raw GPA ≥ 3.0 points (excluding CCA bonus points)	N.A

* **Must offer and pass Maths Elective at ITE, unless exempted from Maths Elective (At least a Grade C for O-Level Maths)**

Retention Criteria

Obtain an aggregate score of:

- Not exceeding 21 points for ELMAB3 i.e. (**ELMAB3 ≤ 21**); or
- Not exceeding 14 points for ELB3 (English Language and best three other subjects) i.e. (**ELB3 ≤ 14**); or
- Not exceeding 14 points for MAB3 (Mathematics and best three other subjects) i.e. (**MAB3 ≤ 14**)
- Maths can be counted as one of the Best 3 subjects
- English can be counted as one of the Best 3 subjects

N-Level Examination Schedule 2015

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Preliminary Exam I (School)	4 – 15 May
N-Level English Oral	7 – 14 July
N-Level Mother Tongue Oral	28 July – 3 Aug
4N Preliminary Exam 2 (School)	11 – 20 Aug
N-Level Written Exam English & Mother Tongue Listening Comprehension	14 – 22 Sep
N-Level Written Exam	6 – 14 Oct

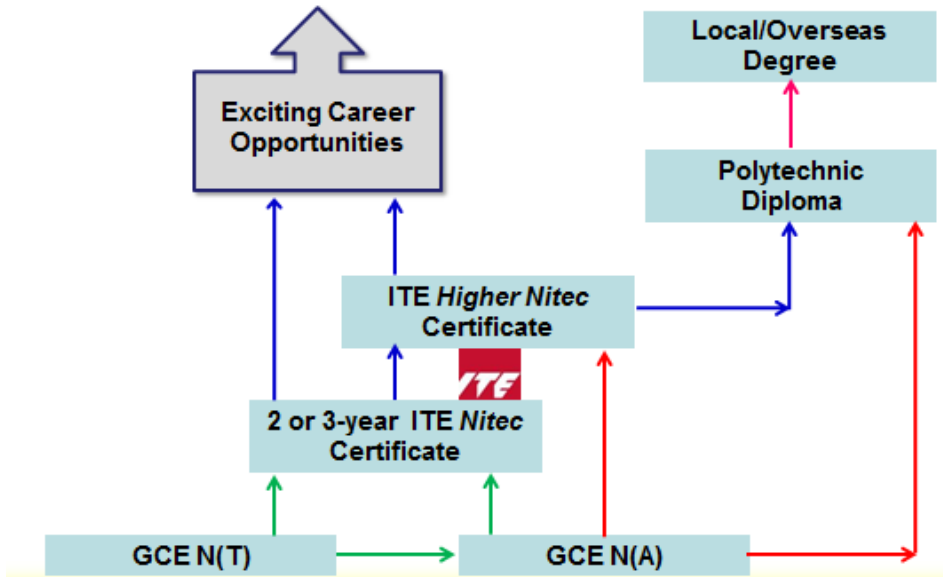
O-Level Examination Schedule 2015

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4E5N Preliminary Exam 2 (School) *there are no exams during the Sep break	31Aug – 25 Sep
O-Level Written Exam	19 Oct – 13Nov

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Overview of Pathways for N(T)



Institute of Technical Education (ITE)

- National ITE Certification (NITEC)
- Higher National ITE Certification (Higher Nitec)

New ITE Curriculum Framework 2014

1. Career Cluster-based Curriculum Framework

- Prepare students for a **cluster** of career, and not just a single occupation
- Covers 3 levels of skills and knowledge:
 - i) Foundation
 - ii) Career Core
 - iii) Advanced Career Core
- Progression of students from Nitec to Higher Nitec programme will follow the Career Core and Advance Career Core
- Nitec graduates with Grade Point Average (GPA) score ≥ 3 may now gain direct progression to **Year 2** of related Higher Nitec courses

Career Pathway for GCE N and O-Level Students		
Essential Lifeskills (Workplace Safety and Health, Communication Skills, Customer Service, Sports & Wellness)	Higher Nitec Advanced Career Core Students take up modules designed for more specialised workplace skills.	Year 3 (GPA ≥ 3)
	Nitec Career Core Modules for specific focus and specialisation within the cluster	Year 2
	Foundation Modules to provide students with skills and knowledge common among the Career Clusters	Year 1

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2. Enhanced Nitec Foundation Programme (e-NFP)

- New initiatives to help N(T) students with no or 1 GCE N-Level pass build the necessary literacy and numeracy foundations that will enable them to successfully complete their Nitec courses
- In addition to hands-on training, the e-NFP will help students with Maths and EL to improve their self-confidence and motivation.

Nitec	
Career Core	Year 2
Foundation	Year 1

Nitec	
Career Core	Year 3
Enhanced Nitec Foundation Programme	Year 2 Year 1

3. Synchronised Nitec Intake

- Nitec courses will be brought forward from April intake to January after the release of GCE O-Level results. From 2014, GCE N-Level school leavers will start their Nitec course in 2nd week of Jan while O-Level school leavers will commence in the 4th week of January.
- Students will graduate three months earlier.

ITE Entry Requirements

- Different courses have different cut-off points and admission will be based on students' aggregate points and availability of vacancies
- Aggregate points for Nitec course are calculated based on the **best 4 GCE N-Level subjects** (including pre-requisites and bonus points)
- Selected courses will require applicants to attend an admission interview, medical examination or drawing test
- Information on the cut-off points be found on the website - <https://www.ite.edu.sg/wps/portal/definitely-calendar/>
- Bonus Points
Bonus points are available for CCA participation. They will only come into effect when the applicant has been deemed eligible and is being considered for posting based on merit.

CCA Grades	No. of Bonus Points Awarded
A1 – A2	2 points
B3 – C6	1 point

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