

2026 Direct School Admission for Secondary Schools (DSA-Sec)



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What is DSA-Sec?



DSA-Sec provides a pathway for students to gain admission to secondary schools based on their interests, aptitude, and potential, beyond their performance at the Primary School Leaving Examination (PSLE).

Each participating school offers distinctive programmes and sets its own selection process and criteria to admit students who can be further developed by these programmes.

Should my child apply for DSA-Sec?

Consider your child's interests, abilities, and readiness, when deciding whether to apply for DSA-Sec. While DSA-Sec offers an alternative route of admission based on specific talents (such as sports, arts, leadership, or academic strengths), it is not a pathway that suits every student.

If your child is successful in DSA-Sec, they are required to honour the commitment to the allocated DSA-Sec school for the entire duration of the programme. They will not be allowed to participate in the Secondary 1 (S1) Posting Exercise or transfer to another school after the release of PSLE results.



Which DSA-Sec school should my child apply to?



Find a suitable school to help your child enjoy learning at an appropriate pace and benefit from the school's programmes.

Visit MOE's SchoolFinder at www.go.gov.sg/schfinder-sec and the secondary schools' websites for more details.

How to apply?

Apply online via the DSA-Sec Portal from **11am on 6 May 2026 to 4.30pm on 2 June 2026**. Only one parent is required to log in using Singpass to apply.¹

Indicate up to three choices during the application. Make your choices carefully, and manage the time and effort required for your child to participate in the trials/audition/interviews conducted by the school(s).



¹ If your child is interested in School of the Arts or Singapore Sports School, visit the school's website for more information on how to submit your application.

Do I need to submit any additional documents during application?

Your child's primary school information will be shared with the secondary schools that you have applied to.

This includes their P5 and P6 academic results, and other information from P4 to P6, i.e., Co-curricular Activities, Values in Action involvement, and School-based achievements/awards (Edusave awards, Junior Sports Academy and National School Games participation). Testimonials are not required.



What do I need to do after application?

Refer to the respective school website for more details on the timeline, selection process and criteria from 5 May 2026 onwards. The school(s) will contact you if your child is shortlisted.

When will I be informed of the outcome of my child's application?



You will receive the outcome from the secondary school(s) by 28 August 2026. If your child has at least one Confirmed Offer or a Wait List offer, you will receive an SMS and email notification via Postman.gov.sg in mid-October 2026 to submit your school preference.

If your child is not successful in the DSA-Sec application, they will take part in the S1 Posting after the release of PSLE results.

Where can I find more information on DSA-Sec?



Information on important dates and the 2026 DSA-Sec can be found at www.moe.gov.sg/dsa-sec. Visit the secondary school's website for more details.