



Anglo-Chinese School (Independent)

Subject Selection for Year 3 and 4 O-Level Programme (2025/2026)



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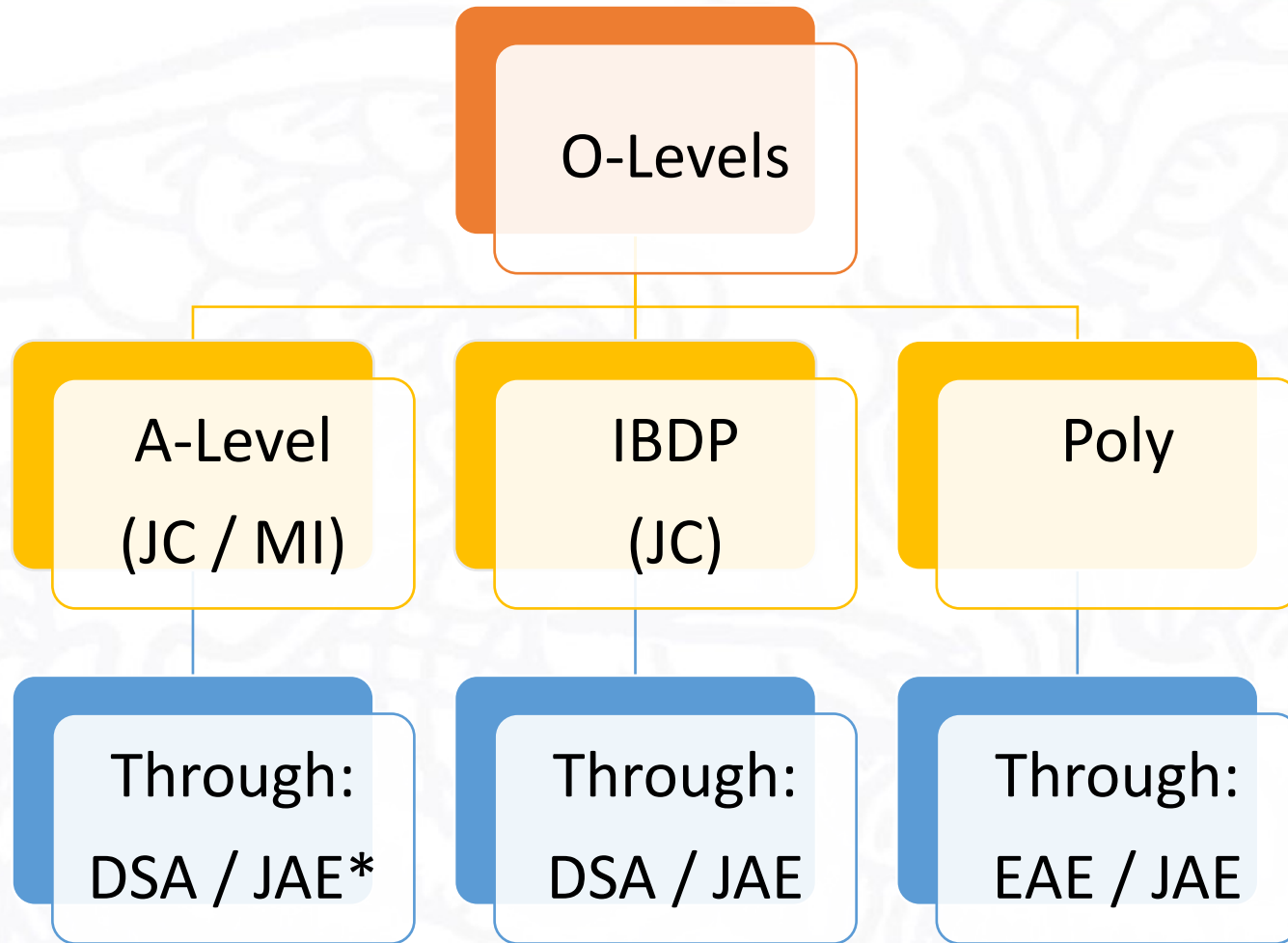


Programme



Programme	Speaker
Opening Remarks	Mr Patrick Soo (Deputy Principal)
Accelerated Class for Entrepreneurship (ACE)	Mr Benjamin Wong (Deputy Dir, Year 3)
Sciences	Mr Dennis Sim (Dean of Chemistry)
Literature	Ms Karen Ng (Dean of Eng Lang & Lit)
History & Geography	Mr Liu Guoyi (Dean of Humanities)
Art (Art briefing will be held in Art Centre, IB Block D, Level 1)	Dr Tham Hong Wan (Deputy Dean, Aesthetics Dept)

Begin with the End in Mind: Possible Post-Sec Education Pathways



Reference:

<https://www.moe.gov.sg/post-secondary/overview>

<https://www.moe.gov.sg/-/media/files/post-secondary/a-guide-to-post-secondary-admissions-exercises.pdf>

** Students may apply to MI (3-year JC programme) through JAE.*

Begin with the End in Mind: Snapshot of Post-Sec Education



IB Diploma Programme

- Comprises breadth of study that provides opportunities for students to develop their independent research skills through an EE; to foster an understanding of the links across the different subject domains through its TOK course and to gain formal recognition of achievement in extra-curricular activities through its CAS requirement.
- Curriculum: Studies in Language & Literature, Language Acquisition, Individuals / Societies, Sciences, Mathematics, The Arts, and TOK, EE & CAS.
- Assessment: A combination of coursework (e.g. fieldwork, laboratory work, investigations or artistic performances) as well as written examinations at the end of year 6 (JC2)

GCE A-Level

- Besides life skills, the curriculum aims to develop students' thinking, process and communication skills. This will enable students to analyse information and express their thoughts and ideas clearly and effectively. Subject disciplines also ensure that students have a good grounding across different areas of study.
- Curriculum: Languages, Mathematics and Sciences, Humanities & Arts, General Paper, Project Work
- At the end of year 6 (JC2), students will sit for the GCE A-Level examination.

Begin with the End in Mind: Snapshot of Post-Sec Education



Polytechnic Diploma

- Polytechnics provide a diverse range of real-life, practice-based learning experience within a dynamic and progressive learning environment. Work attachments with industry partners, which ranges from 6 weeks to 6 months, are also offered as part of the curriculum.
- Polytechnic graduates who wish to further their studies may be considered for admission to universities based on their diploma qualifications.

Begin with the End in Mind: Snapshot of Post-Sec Education



GCE A-Level	IBDP	Polytechnic Diploma
Three H2 subjects One H1 subject General Paper Mother Tongue Project Work	Six discipline Groups (3 HL and 3 SL subjects) 3 Core Requirements: Extended Essay (EE) Theory of Knowledge (TOK) Creativity, Activity, Service (CAS)	Dependent on course, comprises course work and attachment

Changes to GCE A-Level

H2	H2	H2	GP	H1	PW	MTL
20	20	20	10	10	10	10
Maximum 90 points for University Admissions Score (UAS)						Included and rebased to 90 only if UAS is improved
H2	H2	H2	GP	H1	MTL	PW
20	20	20	10	10	10	P/F
Maximum 70 points for University Admissions Score (UAS)						Included and rebased to 70 only if UAS is improved

Year 2 Promotion Criteria



For **promotion** to Year 3 Express, students need to attain

- 50% or more for English Language
- An overall average percentage of at least 50% for English and 7 other subjects

Note:

School based Academic Awards will only be considered for students who take the full suite of papers in the academic year.

Exceptions to this will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Year 3 O-Level Programme Subject Options



For **subject selection**, average % will be calculated based on:

- English Language
- Literature
- History
- Geography
- Mathematics
- Life Sciences
- Physical Sciences

The following subjects will **not** be used to calculate % for subject selection:

- Mother Tongue/ Higher Mother Tongue
- 3rd Language
- MEP



Year 3 O-Level Programme Subject Options

1. Students can choose a maximum of 3 options and are strongly advised to make full use of all the options. The choices should be listed in the order of preference. Students can choose to drop a non-compulsory subject (*) from the options.
2. Students who are officially exempted from offering Mother Tongue will not be required to offer MT.
3. Class size is up to a maximum of 35 students. If there are more than 35 students who opt for a particular subject combination, allocation will then be based on academic merit (based on average of English, Literature, History, Geography, Mathematics, Life Sciences, Physical Sciences).
4. In order to select **Option E**, students must have a minimum overall score of **225** marks for **Mathematics, Physical Sciences and Life Sciences**.
5. Students who wish to offer Additional Mathematics must **pass Mathematics**.
6. Students who wish to offer Art as a 9th subject must write to the school.
7. All MEP students must continue to offer Higher Music as a subject. Higher Music can be offered in place of Core Humanities.
8. Students who wish to continue with 3rd language will not need to write in.

Option E

English Language

MT/HMT

Elementary
Mathematics

Social Studies
History (Elect)

Additional
Mathematics

Chemistry

Physics

Biology

Year 3 O-Level Programme Subject Options

Students with average# of 60% or more



Students with average# of 60% or more will be eligible for 8-subject combination.

Compulsory Subjects

1. English Language

2. Mother Tongue

- | | |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chinese | <input type="checkbox"/> Higher Chinese |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Malay | <input type="checkbox"/> Higher Malay |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tamil | <input type="checkbox"/> Higher Tamil |

3. Elementary Mathematics

4. Humanities (Social Studies & EL Literature/ Geography/ History)

5. Sciences

- | | | |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chemistry | <input type="checkbox"/> Physics | <input type="checkbox"/> Biology |
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#based on English, Literature, History, Geography, Mathematics, Life Sciences, Physical Sciences

Year 3 O-Level Programme Subject Options

Students with average# of 60% or more



Non-compulsory Subjects

6. Additional Mathematics

7. Sciences

- Chemistry Physics Biology

8. Humanities (Core)

- English Lit Geography History

9. Aesthetics

- Art Higher Music (MEP)

10. Other Languages

- French German Japanese
 Non-Tamil Indian Languages (Hindi, Punjabi, Urdu, Bengali, Gujarati)

#based on English, Literature, History, Geography, Mathematics, Life Sciences, Physical Sciences

Year 3 O-Level Programme Subject Options

Students with average# of 60% or more



	Option A	Option B	Option C	Option D	Option E	Option F	Option G	Option H	Option I (ACE class)
1	English Language	English Language	English Language	English Language	English Language	English Language	English Language	English Language	English Language
2	MT/HMT	MT/HMT	MT/HMT	MT/HMT	MT/HMT	MT/HMT	MT/HMT	MT/HMT	MT/HMT
3	Elementary Mathematics	Elementary Mathematics	Elementary Mathematics	Elementary Mathematics	Elementary Mathematics	Elementary Mathematics	Elementary Mathematics	Elementary Mathematics	Elementary Mathematics
4	Social Studies Geography (Elect)	Social Studies History (Elect)	Social Studies History (Elect)	Social Studies Literature (Elect)	Social Studies History (Elect)	Social Studies Literature (Elect)	Social Studies Geography (Elect)	Social Studies History (Elect)	Social Studies History (Elect)
5*	Additional Mathematics	Additional Mathematics	Additional Mathematics	Additional Mathematics	Additional Mathematics	Additional Mathematics	Additional Mathematics	Additional Mathematics	Additional Mathematics
6*	Chemistry	Chemistry	Chemistry	Chemistry	Chemistry	Chemistry	Chemistry	Chemistry	Chemistry
7*	Physics	Physics	Physics	Physics	Physics	Physics	Biology	Biology	Physics
8*	History (Core)	Geography (Core)	Literature (Core)	History (Core)	Biology	Geography (Core)	History (Core)	Geography (Core)	Entrepreneurship (Compulsory, non-examinable)

*non-compulsory subjects

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Year 3 O-Level Programme Subject Options

Students with average# **less than 60%**



Students with average# **less than 60%** will be eligible for **7**-subject combination, with the following subjects being compulsory:

- 1) English
- 2) Mother Tongue/ Higher Mother Tongue
- 3) Elementary Mathematics
- 4) Chemistry
- 5) Social Studies + Humanities Elective

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Year 3 O-Level Programme Subject Options

Students with average# less than 60%



In addition, eligibility for the 6th and 7th subjects will be as follows:

Year 2 Results	Eligible for	Subject Options
Failed Math	6) Physics/ Biology 7) Humanities Core (Literature/ History/ Geography)	A, B, C, G, H (without Additional Mathematics)
Failed 1 Science	6) Additional Mathematics 7) Physics/ Biology	A, B, G, H (without Core Humanities)
Failed 1 or 2 Science/s	6) Additional Mathematics 7) Humanities Core (Literature/ History/ Geography)	A, B, C (without Physics, without Biology)
Failed Math +1 Science or Failed Math + 2 Sciences	6) Physics**/ Biology**/ Additional Mathematics** 7) Humanities Core (Literature/ History/ Geography) **student may take the corresponding subject with the higher Year 2 score	A, B, C, G, H (without Additional Mathematics/ Physics/ Biology)**

#based on English, Literature, History, Geography, Mathematics, Life Sciences, Physical Sciences

Grading System



Grade	Marks
A1	75 & above
A2	70 – 74
B3	65 – 69
B4	60 – 64
C5	55 – 59
C6	50 – 54
D7	45 – 49
E8	40 – 44
F9	39 & below



Post Secondary Criteria



Eligibility for Junior College: L1R5

L1	First Language	English/Higher Mother Tongue
R5	Relevant Subject 1	Mathematics/Science
	Relevant Subject 2	Humanities/Higher Music/ Malay (Special Programme)
	Relevant Subject 3	Mathematics/Science/Humanities/Higher Music/Malay (Special Programme)
	Relevant Subject 4	Any other GCE 'O' Level Subject
	Relevant Subject 5	Any other GCE 'O' Level Subject

Important reminders:

- When choosing subject options, do be mindful of the eligibility criteria to read particular subjects in a particular JC.
- The subjects offered in JC would also impact one's eligibility to apply for a particular degree programme in university.

Post Secondary Criteria



Eligibility for Polytechnics: ELR2B2

EL		English
R2	1 st Grp of Relevant Subjects	Elementary Mathematics Additional Mathematics
	2 nd Grp of Relevant Subjects	Art Humanities Geography History Literature Biology Chemistry Physics
B2		Best 2 Other Subjects excluding CCA

Important reminders:

- Similarly, when choosing subject options, do be mindful of the eligibility criteria to read particular subjects in a particular polytechnic.
- The subjects offered in polytechnic would also impact one's eligibility to apply for a particular degree programme in university.

Year 3



- Important Transition Year
- Higher Academic Demands
- Syllabus Coverage in Years 3 & 4
- Monitor Closely & Partner the School
- Gaming and Social Media



Important Dates to note



Schedule	Date
Briefing to students on Online Subject Options Module.	11 Oct 2024
Release of exam scripts and results to students.	15 Oct 2024
Opening of Online Subjects Options Module.	18 Oct 2024 1900 hrs
Closure of Online Subjects Options Module .	22 Oct 2024 2359 hrs
Submission of hardcopy of Subject Options Form with parent's signature and appeal letters (if any) to PCTs.	23 Oct 2024 0800 hrs
Release of subject combination and class allocation via Parents' Portal.	08 Nov 2024
Deadline for appeals to change subject combination.	11 Nov 2024
Communication of outcome of appeal.	By 15 Nov 2024