



COMMONWEALTH SECONDARY SCHOOL
Nurturing Champions of Today and Leaders of Tomorrow

27 May 2019

Dear Parents /Guardians,

Sec 2 Normal Academic Preliminary Subject Options Exercise (SOE) 2019

The Preliminary SOE enables students to familiarise themselves with the process by which they will select their subject combinations. It also provides an opportunity for you to discuss with your child/ward his/her aspirations, interests, strengths and options. The final selection of subject combinations will be carried out at the end of Semester 2. **Students will have to indicate their options for the Preliminary SOE online by 31 May 2019, 6 pm.**

2. Parents/guardians should use this opportunity to discuss with their child/ward on their SOE options. You can use the following questions as a guide to your discussion:

- What are my child's career aspirations?
- What are my child's strengths and interest?
- What are the subjects my child enjoys or is good at?
- What are the post-secondary options that can best maximise my child's potential?
- What are the requirements for post-secondary courses of his choice?

3. All Sec 3 Normal (Academic) students will offer 5 compulsory subjects which are English, Mother Tongue, Elementary Mathematics, Humanities (Social Studies and History Elective) and Science (Physics, Chemistry). In addition to the 5 compulsory subjects, they will take 1 additional subject. Please refer to attached Annex A for the recommended criteria for the subject combinations.

4. Please refer to the our SOE site for instructions to login to ASKnLearn Portal for Preliminary SOE :- <https://sites.google.com/commonwealthsec.moe.edu.sg/cwss-soe-2019/home>.

5. Please feel free to contact us at soe@commonwealthsec.moe.edu.sg if you need any clarifications.

Yours Sincerely,

MR. NG BOON KIAT
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Annex A: Recommended Criteria for the subject combinations

Code	Subject 6	Recommended Criteria
AM	Additional Mathematics	Recommended Grade 3 for Mathematics
ART	Art	Recommended Grade 4 in Art
COM	Computing	Recommended Grade 4 for Mathematics
DT	Design & Technology	Recommended Grade 4 for Design & Technology
FN	Food & Nutrition	Recommended Grade 4 for FCE
GEO	Geography	Recommended Grade 4 for Geography
LIT	Eng. Literature	Recommended Grade 4 for Eng. Literature
POA	POA	Recommended Grade 4 for Mathematics