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## ARTS & TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION CENTRE

# Details of 2025/2026 SS (HKDSE) Music Class

Application for 2025/2026 S.4 Music Class held by ATEC is now open. All S.3 students who have the passion for Music, fundamental musicianship and the intention to take Senior Secondary (HKDSE) Music as one of their elective subjects could apply.

# Aims of SS (HKDSE) Music Class at ATEC

- 1. To offer SS (HKDSE) Music Curriculum to S.4, S.5 and S.6 students.
- 2. To prepare students for the Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education (HKDSE) Music Examination.
- 3. To equip students who intend to further their Music studies at tertiary level with fundamental Music training.

# Target students

S.3 students who will be promoted to S.4 in 2025/2026 school year.

# Course duration

The SS (HKDSE) Music Curriculum will be taught across **THREE** school years:

S.4: 2025/2026 S.5: 2026/2027 S.6: 2027/2028

#### Lesson Day and Time of 2025/2026 S.4 Music Classes

Class 4A: Wednesday afternoon (2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.) Class 4B: Saturday morning (8:45 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.) Class 4C: Saturday afternoon (1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.)

#### Admission Schedule

#### 1. Music Aptitude Test

All students applying for ATEC's 2025/2026 S.4 Music Class are required to sit for a Music Aptitude Test. The Test will be conducted in the morning on <u>3 May 2025 (Saturday)</u> at the Multi-purpose Area (MPA), 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, ATEC. The listening-based Test will last for about <u>45 minutes</u>. General musical knowledge will be tested. Applicants who failed to attend the Test will <u>NOT</u> be considered for admission to the S.4 Music Class offered by ATEC. All applicants are required to wear proper school uniform when attending the Test with the Admission Slip and Hong Kong Identity Card for verification. Selection will be based on the results of the Music Aptitude Test.

#### 2. Release of Admission results

Admission results will be released by the end of May 2025. Applicants will be notified of the results via their own schools.

#### 3. Commencement of 2025/2026 S.4 Music Classes

Early-September 2025

#### Choice of SS elective subjects

Individual schools may have different requirements for the choice of SS elective subjects. Students are advised to consult their own schools prior to making decision of taking Music as one of their SS elective subjects.

# Structure of SS (HKDSE) Music Curriculum

The SS (HKDSE) Music Curriculum has already been fine-tuned and implemented from Secondary 4 in 2024/2025 school year and will be assessed in the 2027 HKDSE Music Examination. The new Music Curriculum comprises only Compulsory Part. Students are required to take all three papers in the Compulsory Part. Details are as follows:

# Compulsory Part

Paper 1: Listening (50%)

Paper 2 : Performing (30%) (External assessment)

- Part A: Ensemble Performance

- Part B : Solo Performance

Paper 3 : Creating (20%) (External assessment)

# Collaboration among participating schools & ATEC concerning external assessment

According to the Hong Kong Examinations and Assessment Authority (HKEAA), there will be **external assessment** on HKDSE Music Paper 2 (Performing) Part A. It consists of making video recording of the followings:

- (a) Ensemble performances;
- (b) Oral presentation.

Video recording of the ensemble performances together with the oral presentation has to be made and submitted by students' own schools to HKEAA for **external assessment**. Liaison teachers of participating schools are responsible for administering such recording and submission of required materials to HKEAA. Liaison teachers of participating schools play a vital role in students' pursuit of the HKDSE Music Curriculum. Each participating school must assign a liaison teacher for coordinating matters related to ATEC's Music Classes.

There will be no School-based Assessment (SBA) for HKDSE Music Examination.

### Submission of Application

Schools should return all Application Forms (Form A), copies of original certificates and the Application Summary Form (Form B) to ATEC via fax (Fax No.: 2336 3842) or by post on or before 31 March 2025 (Monday). Late application may not be accepted.