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Details of New Senior Secondary S.4 Music classes 2011-2012

Applications are now invited for admission to the NSS S.4 Music classes held at ATEC for the academic year 2011-2012. All current S.3 students who have passion for Music, fundamental musicianship and the intention to take NSS Music as one of the elective subjects in their S.4 studies may apply.

Aims of NSS Music classes at ATEC

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

Target students

S.3 students of partner schools and government secondary schools who will be promoted to S.4 in 2011-2012

Course duration

The NSS Music Curriculum will be taught across **THREE** academic years :

S.4 : 2011-2012 S.5 : 2012-2013 S.6 : 2013-2014

Lesson Day and Time

Class A : Wednesday afternoon (2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.)

Class B : Friday evening (5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.) (tentative)

Admission Schedule

1. **Briefing session on NSS Music Curriculum**

A briefing session will be held on **4 March 2011 (Friday)** at 5:00 p.m. in the Multi-purpose Area, 6th Floor, ATEC. for S.3 students, parents and teachers. The NSS Music Curriculum will be introduced in the briefing session.

2. **Aptitude Test**

All students applying for NSS Music classes are required to sit for an Aptitude Test to be conducted on **2 April 2011 (Saturday)** at 2:30 p.m. in the Multi-purpose Area, 6th Floor, ATEC. The test will last for one hour. General musical knowledge will be tested. Applicants who failed to attend the Aptitude Test will **NOT** be considered for admission to the NSS Music class offered by ATEC.

3. **Release of Admission results**

Admission results will be released in early May 2011. Applicants will be notified of the results via their own school.

4. **Commencement of NSS Music classes**

Mid-September 2011

Choice of NSS elective subjects

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

Collaboration among participating schools & ATEC concerning School-based Assessment

School-based Assessment (**SBA**) will be implemented in Module 2 : Performing I of the NSS Music Curriculum. The SBA for Music consists of the followings :

- (a) Solo performance and viva voce
- (b) Ensemble performance
- (c) Sight-singing

The music teacher of the student's original school will be responsible for administering the SBA for Music which includes making video recording of students' ensemble performances.

Submission of Application

1. Students should complete the Application Form (Form B) and return it to their own school for necessary action on or before **11 March 2011 (Friday)**.
2. Schools should return all the Application Forms (Form B), copy of original certificate(s) and the Application Summary Form (Form C) to ATEC on or before **18 March 2011 (Friday)**.