

## **Sec 2 Streaming Exercise**

### **Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)**

**Q1. Will the presentation slides shown in the Zoom session be shared?**

Yes, the presentation slides which include the subject combinations options are shared on our school website at: <https://www.dunmansec.moe.edu.sg/our-dunman-experience/sec-2-streaming/>

**Q2. Has the school provided students with advice on their career options linked to the different subject combinations options?**

The school will brief the students in Term 2 on the Streaming Exercise with certain advice on their career options. For specific advice, the students can approach either their Form Teachers or our ECG Counsellor.

**Q3. If a student wants to study Additional Mathematics, what is the criteria needed?**

The student has to demonstrate strong foundation (usually obtained a distinction) in Mathematics in Secondary 2 to qualify for Additional Mathematics. With consistent good academic achievements in Mathematics and attitude for learning Mathematics, the student will be able to cope better with the rigour of the more demanding Additional Mathematics.

**Q4. Why is Chemistry found in all the subject combinations options?**

Chemistry is the subject requirement to most Science-related courses in institutes of higher education (Polytechnics and Universities) followed by Physics and then Biology. For example, Chemistry is the important pre-requisite for university admission for Medicine, Dentistry and Pharmacy.

**Q5. Is Exercise and Sport Science (ESS), recognised by Polytechnics and how can I find out more about the ESS?**

ESS is one of the relevant subjects for Engineering, IT, Science and Facility Management courses in Polytechnics. More information can be found on our school website at: <https://www.dunmansec.moe.edu.sg/our-dunman-experience/sec-2-streaming/> [under the ESS Briefing Slides].

- Q6. Will the student be disadvantaged if he/she takes only 6 subjects and wants to pursue an education in the Polytechnics?**

The student would not be disadvantaged as aggregate computation for Polytechnic admission is based on ELR2B2, the total grades of 5 subjects.

- Q7. Will there be a period for appeal after the subject combinations are allocated?**

Yes, there will be an appeal period is from 8 November (12pm) to 10 November (12 pm). The success of appeal cases is dependent on several factors. Your child/ward will only be considered for appeal if a student withdraws from the particular combination/elective subject and if your child/ward is next one on the list to study the combination/elective subject.

- Q8. Can a Sec 2 Normal (Academic) student be offered Additional Mathematics?**

Yes, we do offer Additional Mathematics to Sec 2 Normal (Academic) students who have attained distinctions for Mathematics in Secondary 2 and have a good foundation in Mathematics. Do take note that if your child/ward qualifies for Additional Mathematics at Sec 2 Normal (Academic), he/she has to take SBB 'O' Level, Elementary Mathematics.

- Q9. Will my child, who is taking a subject at higher level (Subject-based Banding) automatically qualify to take the corresponding out-of-stream subject at Upper Secondary?**

The student may be eligible if he/she meets the requirements of out-of-stream subject offering based on the overall assessment results. In general, the student needs to demonstrate consistent good results and learning attitude in order to be able to cope with the rigour of the more demanding out-of-stream subject in Secondary 3.

- Q10. Is there a possibility for Sec 2 Normal (Technical) student to be promoted to Normal (Academic) stream in Secondary 3 in the following year?**

Lateral transfers from N(A) to N(T) course is only allowed at the end of Sec 1, as the curriculum of the 2 courses are markedly different. At the end of the year, if a Secondary 2 Normal (Technical) student meets the requirements to be transferred to Normal (Academic) stream, the Sec 2 Normal (Technical) student will need to continue in Secondary 2 Normal (Academic) the following year.

**Q11. If a student is awarded distinction for CCA, what is the maximum deduction points he/she could obtain?**

You can refer to the JAE 2023 Booklet available online for more information. The following table is extracted from the booklet for easy reference:

S/No	Type of Bonus Points	No. of Bonus Points	Maximum Bonus Points Allowable	
1	For students seeking admission to JC/MI/polytechnic/ITE and with the following co-curricular attainments/grades: a. Excellent, A1 – A2 b. Good, B3 – C6	2 points 1 point	Limited to a maximum of <b>4 bonus points</b> for these 4 types.	Limited to a maximum of <b>6 bonus points</b> .
2	For students seeking admission to JC/MI courses and with grades of A1 to C6 in both their first languages (i.e. English and a Higher Mother Tongue).	2 points		
3	For students seeking admission to JC/MI courses and with grades of A1 to C6 in Malay/Chinese (Special Programme) (MSP/CSP) or Bahasa Indonesia (BI) as their third language.	2 points		
4	For students from feeder schools if they choose their affiliated junior college course(s) as their: a. 1 <sup>st</sup> choice, <u>or</u> b. 1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> choices.  Please refer to <b>Annex D</b> for information on affiliated schools.	2 points		
5	For students who have applied for the CLEP/MLEP/TLEP and have been selected for the programme.	2 points		

**Q12: How do the posting of applicants under JIE ‘N’ works, especially for students who are taking out-of-stream subjects?**

There is computation of ITE aggregate points for Normal (Academic) and Normal (Technical) subject grades for merit-based ranking for admission to full-time 3-year Higher Nitec and 2-year Nitec courses. Bonus points are also available, but they only come into effect when the applicant has been deemed eligible and is being considered for posting based on merit. You can refer to the JIE 2023 Booklet available online for more information.