

Introduction

DSA-Sec is an admission exercise to allow participating schools to select some Primary 6 students for admission to Secondary 1 based on their achievements and talents before the PSLE results are released. The objective of the DSA-Sec is to promote holistic education by giving participating schools greater flexibility in selecting students while holding on to the key principles of transparency and meritocracy. For students, the DSA provides them the opportunity to demonstrate a more diverse range of achievements and talents in seeking admission to secondary schools.

Applied Learning Programme (ALP)

In Greenridge Secondary School, students go through a unique media literacy programme: 'Camera, Lights, and Action Programme' (CLAP), which takes on a multi-modal approach towards language learning. It aims to develop students' communication and critical thinking skills. Greenridgeans are engaged in the meaningful learning of English Language (EL) in an authentic manner, by developing public speaking and journalism skills.

Learning journeys to related polytechnic courses are planned for the programme to broaden the students' learning horizon and to prepare them for learning at higher institutions. Students will develop portfolios that will support their application to tertiary institutions in fields related to journalism, broadcasting and marketing.

Learning for Life Programme (LLP)

Greenridge Secondary School (GSS) believes that the Arts is a natural and powerful platform for developing learning for life. The Arts is an integral component to the holistic development of our students. It contributes to their development in the physical, emotional, aesthetic, social, moral and spiritual dimensions of human experience.

In line with the above beliefs, GSS defines the vision for LLP through the arts education as follows:

“Developing Creative and Confident Persons, Impacting the Community through the Arts”

Greenridge Secondary School LLP through the Arts Education Programme focuses on creating a quality arts learning experience. To achieve this objective, GSS adopts a Total Curriculum Approach, comprising the Arts Curriculum and the Co-Curriculum, to deliver arts education. LLP will be implemented through the three broad domains of arts education in GSS:

	<p>a) Visual Arts b) Music & Performing Arts - Chinese Orchestra - Dance</p> <p>Arts Education Programme in GSS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participation in public showcasing/ exhibitions and/or performance • Opportunities to take part in external competitions related to visual arts and/or music & performing arts • Opportunities to participate in talent development programme by practitioners for the performing arts • Opportunities to coach/mentor others in the community in visual arts and/or music & performing arts • Opportunities to embark on overseas or local learning journeys and attend workshops for various art forms 				
Pre-Requisite Criteria for ALP	Pre-Requisite Criteria for LLP				
<p>Primary 6 (2018) pupils, with attainment of at least one of the following competency level, are invited to participate in the school's DSA-Sec Exercise 2018 through the media literacy programme (CLAP):</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="286 1161 1023 1388"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="286 1161 553 1238">Competency Level</th> <th data-bbox="553 1161 1023 1238">Achievement</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="286 1238 553 1388" style="text-align: center;">1</td> <td data-bbox="553 1238 1023 1388">Participation and exposure in communication-related activities (e.g. oratorical speech, writing, photography,</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Competency Level	Achievement	1	Participation and exposure in communication-related activities (e.g. oratorical speech, writing, photography,	<p>Primary 6 (2018) students who possess individual talent and passion in the relevant arts group, with attainment of at least one of the following competency level, are invited to participate in the school's DSA-Sec Exercise 2018 through the Arts Education programme.</p>
Competency Level	Achievement				
1	Participation and exposure in communication-related activities (e.g. oratorical speech, writing, photography,				

	video-making, School Digital Media Award, National Climate Change Competition, AniMania Award)	Competency Level	Achievement
2	Competition and achievements in communication-related activities (e.g. oratorical speech, writing, photography, video-making, School Digital Media Award, National Climate Change Competition, AniMania Award))	1	Participation and exposure in arts enrichment (e.g. Learning Journeys such as Sculpture Walk, Museum visits, Musicals, concerts etc. and Workshops such as Ukulele, keyboard, Dikir Barat, Batik Painting, SYF Open call workshops etc.)
3	Leadership roles and abilities in communication-related activities (e.g. oratorical speech, writing, photography, video-making, School Digital Media Award, National Climate Change Competition, AniMania Award))	2	Participation and involvement in school wide projects or community level programmes or projects (e.g. performed in Chingay Parade, participated in community centres arts-related projects, SYF Open call - Arts Labs etc.) Good performance in at least one art form (e.g. - Inter-cluster competitions - Community centres Talent Quest - National / international competitions such as 1) Singapore Youth Festival Arts Presentation (at least a Certificate of Accomplishment in the latest SYF Arts Presentation) etc. 2) Young Illustrators Award (Doodle Wizard) 3) SYF Open call - Youth Got Talent
<p>The above attributes, including demonstrated and potential abilities, will be essential in allowing our students to fully benefit from the media literacy programme that the school has designed for them.</p>			

Applicants should have a good command of both spoken and written EL.

Successful applicants who accept the DSA-Sec (IP) offer will not be allowed to participate in the S1 Posting Exercise to opt for secondary schools and will not be allowed to seek transfer to another school after the release of the PSLE results. Successful DSA-Sec students are expected to honour their commitments to their posted DSA-Sec schools. They will be assured of a place in the school so long as they fulfil the minimum criteria for admission into the Express stream.

	4) International Children's Exhibition of Fine Arts 5) Others
3	Excellent performance in at least one art form (e.g.) - Leadership roles and good interpersonal skills - Relevant qualifications in the respective disciplines (e.g. ABRSM etc.) - Inter-cluster competitions - Community centres Talent Quest - National / international competitions such as 1) Singapore Youth Festival Arts Presentation (at least a Certificate of Distinction in the latest SYF Arts Presentation) etc. 2) Young Illustrators Award (Doodle Wizard) 3) SYF Open call - Youth Got Talent 4) International Children's Exhibition of Fine Arts 5) Others

Eligibility Criteria and Selection Tests for ALP			Eligibility Criteria and Selection Tests for LLP	
	Eligibility Criteria	Selection Tests (For shortlisted applicants)	Art Form	Selection Tests (For shortlisted applicants)
P6 students	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> P5 results P6 results Recommendations by teachers 	<p>Part A: Showcase</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> EL written assignment to ascertain communication skills and thinking skills; <u>or</u> EL related Portfolio / Stand-up Presentation/ Video Production <p>Part B: Interview</p>	Visual Arts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interview Present portfolio Observational drawing etc.
			Dance and Chinese Orchestra	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interview Auditions or trials (where applicable) Performance Sight reading with own instrument (if applicable)

List of Supporting Documents for ALP	List of Supporting Documents for LLP
<p>Compulsory</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recent Passport Size Photograph of Applicant • Copy of Birth Certificate • Primary 5 and 6 result slips, showing all academic results, CCA(s) and conduct <p>If available</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Records of media literacy related participation (for CCA, competitions, achievements) • Referral letter(s) • Testimonial(s) • Any other relevant document(s) deemed useful to support the application 	<p>Interested applicants must produce a portfolio to show evidence of the above. The portfolio could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Records of participation (for CCA, competitions etc.) and achievements • Records of any involvement in school wide projects or community level programmes or projects • Records of any other achievements which are relevant to support your application • Testimonials or recommendation letters by primary school teachers or aesthetic coaches/instructors • Letter of reference from external coaches/instructors (if any) • Result slips for Primary 5 Mid-Year and End-of-Year, and Primary 6 (applicable for Primary 6 students who are currently studying in MOE schools).

MOE DSA-Sec Exercise Timeline

DATE(S)/TIME	PROCESS	REMARKS
07 May 2018	Application Opens	Please ensure that all relevant documents are submitted. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
2 July 2018	Application Closes	Please note that applications received after the stated date will not be accepted.
02 July – 27 July 2018	Selection Round 1	Short-listed applicants will be informed of the interview or test date and time through email or letter.
01 August – 17 August 2018	Selection Round 2 - • Interview & Showcase at Greenridge Secondary School	
24 August – 31 August 2018	Issuing of Letters for Confirmed Offer (CO) / Waiting List (WL)	Applicants will be informed of their application outcome through email or letter.
29 October, 9am – 2 November 2018, 3pm	Exercise School Preference Stage	Students who receive at least one DSA-Sec offer (i.e. Confirmed Offer or Waiting List Offer) may indicate up to

		three school preferences. They can do so online via the DSA-Sec Internet System (DSA-Sec IS) or physically at their primary schools. DSA-Sec offers not taken up will be considered as lapsed.
late Nov 2018	Applicants receive outcome of application	Successful applicants will receive their DSA-Sec results together with their PSLE results through their primary schools. Successful Candidates not studying in MOE mainstream schools can collect their DSA-Sec results at MOE Customer Service Centre.

Application Procedures for ALP	Application Procedures for LLP
<p>Application opens on 07 May 2018 and closes on 02 July 2018. Applicants may download and complete the <u>DSA Application Form</u></p> <p>Hardcopies can also be obtained from Greenridge Secondary School General Office during office hours (Monday - Friday, 9.00am - 5.00pm). Submission with supporting documents should be made in person or by registered post to:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Greenridge Secondary School 32 Bukit Panjang Ring Road Singapore 679938 Attention: Mrs. Raj (HOD English Language and Literature)</p> <p>Applications via fax and/or electronic mail will NOT be accepted. Note that application closes on 02 July 2018. Late applications will NOT be accepted.</p>	<p>Application opens on 07 May 2018 and closes on 02 July 2018. Applicants may download and complete the <u>DSA Application Form</u></p> <p>Hardcopies can also be obtained from Greenridge Secondary School General Office during office hours (Monday - Friday, 9.00am - 5.00pm). Submission with supporting documents should be made in person or by registered post to:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Greenridge Secondary School 32 Bukit Panjang Ring Road Singapore 679938 Attention: Ms Adeline Chen (HOD of Aesthetics)</p> <p>Applications via fax and/or electronic mail will NOT be accepted. Note that application closes on 2 July 2018. Late applications will NOT be accepted.</p>
<p>For any enquiries on ALP, please contact the school:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Via telephone: Mrs. Raj/ HOD English Language and Literature at 6760 1052 • Via email: <u>priyahlatha_nainar@moe.edu.sg</u> please indicate Subject Heading as “DSA - ALP Enquiries” 	<p>For any enquiries on LLP, please contact the school:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Via telephone: Ms Adeline Chen, HOD of Aesthetics at 67601052 • Via email: <u>chen_weiling_adeline@moe.edu.sg</u> , please indicate Subject Heading as “DSA - LLP Enquiries”