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To: Principals of HKDSE Participating Schools

Dear Principal,

Briefing Sessions on 2015 Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education (HKDSE) Examination and Professional Development Programmes on Public Assessment

I write to inform you about the details of the briefing sessions on the 2015 HKDSE Examinations and professional development (PD) programmes, which are scheduled to be held in *October 2015*. The briefing sessions aim to provide subject teachers with the following information: the requirements of the examinations, the marking criteria, candidates' general performance in the examinations and samples of candidates' performance. This will provide useful feedback to teachers and students regarding learning, teaching and assessment. In addition to the briefing sessions, professional development programmes on public assessment will also be conducted. You are cordially invited to nominate suitable teachers of the subjects concerned to attend the briefing sessions and PD programmes.

(a) Briefing sessions with admission tickets enclosed

Details about the briefing sessions for the following subjects are given in the attached admission tickets. Due to limited seating, only **two** representatives from each school will be admitted as indicated in the table below. Participants should bring the completed admission ticket to the venue. **No prior registration is required** and there is no need to send us a reply.

Туре	Subject		No of ticket(s) provided for each session
Briefing Sessions on 2015 HKDSE Exams	Business, Accounting and Financial Studies	Paper 1 & Paper 2A	1
		Paper 1 & Paper 2B	1
	English Language		2
	Literature in English		2
	Tourism and Hospitality Studies		1

(b) Briefing Session and PD programmes enrolled through the Training Calendar System of the Education Bureau

Teachers can enroll for the briefing sessions on the 2015 HKDSE Examination and PD programmes for the following subjects through the Training Calendar System of the Education Bureau (http://tcs.edb.gov.hk).

Туре	Subject	Date(s) of the Session(s)
	Health Management and Social Care	Session 1: Wed 7 Oct 2015 (2:30 pm – 4:30 pm) Session 2: Thu 8 Oct 2015 (9:30 am – 11:30 am) (CDI020151236)
	Physics and Combined Science (Physics)	Session 1: Thu 8 Oct 2015 (2:00 pm – 5:00 pm) Session 2: Thu 15 Oct 2015 (2:00 pm – 5:00 pm) (CDI020151199)
Briefing Sessions on 2015 HKDSE Exams	Economics	Session 1: Tue 13 Oct 2015 (2:15 pm – 5:15 pm) Session 2: Wed 18 Nov 2015 (2:15 pm – 5:15 pm)
	Technology and Living (Fashion, Clothing and Textiles strand)	Sat 24 Oct 2015 (9:30 am – 12:00 noon) (CDI020151211)
	Technology and Living (Food Science and Technology)	Sat 24 Oct 2015 (9:30 am – 12:30 pm) (CDI020151210)
PD Programmes	Geography (Workshop on the Setting of Examination Questions)	Session 1: Tue 13 Oct 2015 (2:00 pm – 5:00 pm) Session 2: Fri 16 Oct 2015 (2:00 pm – 5:00 pm) (CDI020160566)
PD Programmes	Geography (Workshop on the Marking of Examination Scripts)	Session 1: Tue 20 Oct 2015 (2:00 pm – 5:00 pm) Session 2: Fri 23 Oct 2015 (2:00 pm – 5:00 pm) (CDI020160568)

I look forward to seeing your teachers at the briefing sessions and PD programmes. If you have any questions regarding the briefing sessions and PD programmes, please contact Ms Maria Fung at 3628 8070.

Yours sincerely,

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