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Dear Principal,

**Administrative Arrangements for the 2020 Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education (HKDSE) Music Examination**

I would like to draw your attention to the administrative arrangements regarding the submission of performance recordings/portfolios/project reports for the 2020 HKDSE Music examination. Details of the submission schedule and a checklist of the items to be submitted for Papers 2 to 4C are hereby attached for your information. The practical examination period of Paper 4B is also enclosed. Further details of the examination and submission guidelines of Papers 2 to 4C will be announced on the HKEAA website in due course. Kindly draw the attention of your teacher(s) concerned to these matters.

If you have any enquiries about the 2020 HKDSE Music examination, please contact our Public Examinations Information Centre at 3628 8860.

Thank you very much for your kind attention.

Yours sincerely,



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## Administrative Arrangements for the 2020 HKDSE Music Examination

	Paper	Examination	Examination/Submission Period
<b>Compulsory part</b>	Paper 1 (Listening)	Written examination	Please refer to the 2020 HKDSE examination timetable
	Paper 2 (Performing I)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ensemble performance, Oral presentation &amp; Sight-singing</li> <li>- Submit video recording (CD/USB) of the above three items</li> <li>- Music scores, sight-sing melody used</li> <li>- Record of ensemble performance, oral presentation and sight-singing form</li> </ul>	11 – 15 Nov 2019
	Paper 3 (Creating I)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Portfolio:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Scores of the compositions (two or more compositions in 6-15 minutes with at least one scored for an ensemble)</li> <li>- Audio recording of the compositions in <b>one</b> CD/USB</li> <li>- Reflective report of about 500 words</li> <li>- Declaration of authenticity</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	13 – 17 Jan 2020
<b>Elective part (choosing one paper)</b>	Paper 4A (Special Project)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Special Project:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Written report of about 3,000-5,000 words</li> <li>- Declaration of authenticity</li> <li>- Additional materials (if any)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	13 – 17 Jan 2020
	Paper 4B (Performing II)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Practical Exam: Solo &amp; Viva Voce</li> </ul> Candidate should bring along with him/her the music scores that will be performed for the examiner. The Authority will only provide a piano for the examination.	Late Feb – mid-Apr 2020
	Paper 4C (Creating II)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Portfolio:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- two music arrangements of specific tasks, the total duration of which should range from 8 to 18 minutes:                   <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) to arrange an instrumental piece for a different instrumentation, and (2) to add accompaniment and extension to an existing song or melody</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Scores of the original piece that make the arrangements</li> <li>- Audio recording of the arrangements in <b>one</b> CD/USB</li> <li>- Reflective report of about 600 words</li> <li>- Declaration of authenticity</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	13 – 17 Jan 2020
		Or apply for exemption: Candidate should submit the softcopy of the certificate at the time of entry through the HKDSE exam registration system. The certificate submitted should be verified by his/her school and the stamp of the school seal should be shown on the copy.	* Evidence of these qualifications should be submitted to the Authority at the time of registration. Candidates may update the evidence of their qualifications no later than the stipulated deadline of the amendment period (5 Dec 2019).
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\* For more details of the new arrangement, please refer to the Assessment Framework for 2020 HKDSE Music and the timetable of the registration events on the website 'www.hkeaa.edu.hk'.