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To: Principals of HKDSE Participating Schools

Dear Principal,

**Changes in the Assessment Frameworks of 2019 and 2020 Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education Examination (HKDSE)**

I am writing to provide you with the updates regarding the captioned subject.

**2019 HKDSE - Geography**

Subsequent to the publication of the Assessment Frameworks for the 2019 HKDSE, further changes to the Assessment Framework for Geography have been approved by the Public Examinations Board in December 2016. Three modules will be specified in the Assessment Framework for the compulsory fieldwork-based question. Each year, one of the three specified fieldwork modules will be changed so that different areas of the curriculum will be covered in the long run.

**2020 HKDSE – Geography and Literature in English**

The assessment frameworks of the following subjects have been revised for the 2020 HKDSE:

Subject	Highlight of changes
Geography	<u>Paper 1</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Replace one of the three modules of fieldwork topics listed for the compulsory fieldwork-based question.</li></ul>
Literature in English	Replace two films, two short stories and three poems from one poet in the list of set texts.

Details of changes to the Assessment Frameworks for the 2019 and 2020 HKDSE will be available on the HKEAA website ([http://www.hkeaa.edu.hk/en/hkdse/assessment/assessment\\_framework/](http://www.hkeaa.edu.hk/en/hkdse/assessment/assessment_framework/)) from July 2017.

School principals are requested to bring the attention of relevant staff members and students to the above updates regarding the HKDSE. In case of enquiries about the Assessment Frameworks, please contact Ms Maria Fung at 3628 8070.

Yours sincerely,



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