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To: Principals of HKDSE Participating Schools

Dear Principal,

Briefing Sessions on 2013 Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education (HKDSE) Examination

I write to inform you about the details of the first batch of the briefing sessions on the 2013 HKDSE Examination, which are scheduled to be held from *September to October* 2013. 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.

(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 one to 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.

Type	Subject	No of tickets provided for each session
Briefing Session on 2013 HKDSE Exam	Business, Accounting and Financial Studies (Papers 1 & 2A)	1
	(Papers 1 & 2B)	1
	English Language (Two identical sessions)	2
	Liberal Studies (Two identical sessions)	2
	Literature in English (Two identical sessions)	2
	Mathematics Compulsory Part and Extended Part (Two identical sessions)	2

(b) Briefing Sessions enrolled through the Training Calendar System of the Education Bureau

Teachers can enroll for the briefing sessions on the 2013 HKDSE Examination for the following subjects through the Training Calendar System of the Education Bureau (<http://tcs.edb.gov.hk>).

Subject	Dates of the Sessions	Enrolment Start and End Dates
Chinese History (Two identical sessions)	Session 1: Sat 26 Oct 2013 (9:15 am – 3:45 pm) Session 2: Sat 16 Nov 2013 (9:15 am – 3:45 pm)	1 st : late Sept 2013 – mid Oct 2013 2 nd : late Sept 2013 – mid Nov 2013
Design and Applied Technology	Sat 19 Oct 2013 (9:30 am – 12:30 pm)	mid Sept 2013 – mid Oct 2013
Economics (Two identical session)	Session 1: Thu 17 Oct 2013 (2:15 pm – 5:15 pm) Session 2: Fri 25 Oct 2013 (2:15 pm – 5:15 pm)	1 st : early Oct 2013 – mid Oct 2013 2 nd : early Oct 2013 – mid Oct 2013
Physics and Combined Science (Physics) (Two identical sessions)	Session 1: Tue 10 Sept 2013 (2:00 pm – 5:00 pm) Session 2: Thu 19 Sept 2013 (2:00 pm – 5:00 pm)	1 st : 8 Aug 2013 – 5 Sept 2013 2 nd : 8 Aug 2013 – 16 Sept. 2013
Technology and Living (Fashion)	Sat 12 Oct 2013 (9:30 am – 12:30 pm)	mid Sept 2013 – early Oct 2013
Technology and Living (Food)	Sat 26 Oct 2013 (9:30 am – 12:30 pm)	mid Sept 2013 – mid Oct 2013

Information about the second round of briefing sessions for the remaining subjects and other PD seminars will be sent to schools in October 2013.

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

Yours sincerely,



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