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To: Principals of HKDSE Participating Schools

Dear Principal,

Briefing Sessions on 2017 Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education Examination (HKDSE) and Professional Development Programmes on Public Assessment

I write to inform you about the details of the briefing sessions on the 2017 HKDSE and professional development (PD) programmes, which are scheduled to be held in **October and November 2017**. 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, at most **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 ticket(s) provided for each session
Briefing Sessions on 2017 HKDSE	Business, Accounting and Financial Studies	Paper 1 & Paper 2A	1
		Paper 1 & Paper 2B	1
	Chinese Literature		2
	Design and Applied Technology		2
	Ethics and Religious Studies	Paper 1 & Paper 2, Buddhism	1
		Paper 1 & Paper 2, Christianity	1
	Mathematics		2
	Visual Arts		2

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

Teachers can enroll for the briefing sessions and PD programmes on the 2017 HKDSE for the following subjects through the Training Calendar System of the Education Bureau (<http://tcs.edb.gov.hk>).

Type	Subject	Date(s) of the Session(s)
Briefing Sessions on 2017 HKDSE	Biology & Combined Science (Biology Part)	Session 1: Thu 16 Nov 2017 (2:00 pm – 5:30 pm) Session 2: Wed 22 Nov 2017 (2:00 pm – 5:30 pm) (CDI020180004) Enrollment Period: 16 Oct 2017 – 17 Nov 2017
	Chemistry & Combined Science (Chemistry Part)	Session 1: Thu 9 Nov 2017 (2:00 pm – 5:00 pm) Session 2: Thu 23 Nov 2017 (2:00 pm – 5:00 pm) (CDI020180298) Enrollment Period: 19 Oct 2017 – 17 Nov 2017
	Chinese History	Session 1: Fri 10 Nov 2017 (1:30 pm – 5:30 pm) Enrollment Period: Late Sept 2017 – 3 Nov 2017 Session 2: Sat 25 Nov 2017 (9:30 am – 1:30 pm) Enrollment Period: Late Sept 2017 – 20 Nov 2017 (CDI020180529)
	Economics	Session 1: Tue 31 Oct 2017 (2:15 pm – 5:15 pm) Enrollment Period: Late Sept 2017 – 24 Oct 2017 Session 2: Mon 6 Nov 2017 (2:15 pm – 5:15 pm) Enrollment Period: Late Sept 2017 – 30 Oct 2017 (CDI020180502)
	Geography	Session 1: Tue 7 Nov 2017 (2:00 pm – 5:00 pm) Session 2: Fri 10 Nov 2017 (2:00 pm – 5:00 pm) (CDI020171324) Enrollment Period: Early Oct 2017 – 2 Nov 2017
	History	Tue 21 Nov 2017 (2:00 pm – 5:00 pm) (CDI020171248) Enrollment Period: 23 Oct 2017 – 20 Nov 2017
	Information and Communication Technology	Session 1: Thu 2 Nov 2017 (2:30 pm – 6:00 pm) Session 2: Sat 4 Nov 2017 (9:30 am – 1:00 pm) (CDI020171285) Enrollment period: Early Oct 2017 – Late Oct 2017
	Integrated Science	Fri 10 Nov 2017 (2:15 pm – 5:15 pm) (CDI020180424) Enrollment Period: Mid Oct 2017 – 9 Nov 2017
	Physical Education	Sat 25 Nov 2017 (9:00 am – 12:00 noon) (CDI020180229) Enrollment Period: 1 Nov 2017 – 22 Nov 2017
	PD Programmes	Geography Workshop on HKDSE Geography Fieldwork-based Question (<i>Re-run</i>)

We 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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