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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 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	Chinese Language	2	
	English Language	2	
	Literature in English	1	
	Music	2	
	Technology and Living	(Fashion, Clothing and Textiles)	2
		(Food Science and Technology)	2
	Tourism and Hospitality Studies	2	

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

Teachers can enroll for the briefing session 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	Dates of the Sessions
Briefing Session on 2017 HKDSE	Physics & Combined Science (Physics Part)	Session 1: Thu 19 Oct 2017 (2:00 pm – 5:00 pm) Session 2: Thu 26 Oct 2017 (2:00 pm – 5:00 pm) (CDI020180449)
PD Programmes	Geography Workshop on HKDSE Geography Fieldwork-based Question ( <i>Re-run</i> )	Session 1: Tue 24 Oct 2017 (2:00 pm – 5:00 pm) Session 2: Wed 25 Oct 2017 (2:00 pm – 5:00 pm) Session 3: Fri 27 Oct 2017 (2:00 pm – 5:00 pm) Session 4: Tue 31 Oct 2017 (2:00 pm – 5:00 pm) (CDI020171258)  Enrollment Period: 20 Sept – 20 Oct 2017

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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