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To: Principals of HKDSE Participating Schools

Dear Principal,

**Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education Examination (HKDSE)  
Support Measures for School-based Assessment System (SBAS) and updates on Conduct of SBA**

Further to our letter dated 9 September 2020 (Ref: DSE/SBA/GEN20/1), I write to provide you with the following documents and information regarding the conduct of School-based Assessment (SBA).

**1. Support Measures for School-based Assessment System (SBAS)**

The SBA System ([www.hkdse.hkeaa.edu.hk](http://www.hkdse.hkeaa.edu.hk)) is scheduled to be launched on 12 January 2021 for schools to enter SBA marks of the FIVE subjects with SBA for the 2021 examination cohort. For details about the submission schedule of individual subjects, please refer to the schedule appended to our letter dated 9 September 2020 (Ref: DSE/SBA/GEN20/1)

(<https://www.hkeaa.edu.hk/DocLibrary/Circulars/HKDSE/2021HKDSE-SBA-Schedule-200909.pdf>). The User Manual of the SBAS will be available on the HKEAA website ([www.hkdse.hkeaa.edu.hk](http://www.hkdse.hkeaa.edu.hk)) in November 2020. Teachers can make reference to the manual in completing the submission. Apart from the User Manual, a range of support measures will be provided to familiarise teachers with the mark submission procedures and to address any queries they may have (*Annex 1*).

Our record reveals that some schools have not yet created teachers' accounts in the School Information Management Online Service. I would be grateful if you could check and, if necessary, remind your School Administrator to create accounts for teachers in order to facilitate them to complete the mark submission on time.

**2. SBA District Coordinators for the School Year 2020-21**

The HKEAA has appointed SBA District Coordinators (DCs) to support schools in administering the SBA in this year. *Annex 2* shows the DCs supporting individual subjects offered by your school. I would be grateful if you could bring the attention of your subject teachers to this arrangement and encourage your School Coordinators/teachers to consult their DCs on the planning and conduct of SBA. If there is any change of teachers teaching subjects with SBA during this school year, School Administrator should update the staff profiles in the School Information Management Online Service ([www.hkdse.hkeaa.edu.hk/](http://www.hkdse.hkeaa.edu.hk/)) as soon as possible. This will ensure that important information about SBA operation can reach relevant subject teachers promptly.

**3. SBA S6 Work Submission for 2021 HKDSE English Language Examination**

Starting from the 2018 HKDSE, customised DVD label and envelope cover are available in the SBA System to facilitate the submission of SBA work samples for English Language. *Annex 3* shows the submission guideline and the steps for downloading the label/cover.

I should be grateful if you could bring the attention of relevant staff to the above arrangements and remind them to complete the mark submissions on time. Thank you again for your continuous support in implementing SBA and providing professional assessments to our students. Should you have any queries, please contact our SBA Team on 3628 8064 or 3628 8070.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Wan Tak-wing', written in a cursive style.

Wan Tak-wing  
Head of Assessment Development

## **Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education Examination Support Measures on the School-based Assessment System**

The following support measures will be provided to familiarise teachers with the mark submission procedures and to address any queries they may have:

### **1. User Manual**

The User Manual of the SBA System will be available on the HKEAA website ([www.hkdse.hkeaa.edu.hk](http://www.hkdse.hkeaa.edu.hk)) in November 2020. Teachers can make reference to the manual in completing the submission.

### **2. PowerPoint of SBA Teachers' Conference**

For subjects with SBA Teachers' Conference held, the PowerPoint presentation files will be uploaded to the HKEAA website ([www.hkeaa.edu.hk/en/sba](http://www.hkeaa.edu.hk/en/sba)).

For the other subjects, PowerPoint presentations (most of which supplemented with voice over) are available for teachers to download within a specified period in lieu of organising face-to-face conferences. Please see the circular 'PowerPoint presentations of Briefing Sessions on 2020 Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education Examination (HKDSE) cum Teachers' Conferences on HKDSE School-based Assessment (SBA)' issued earlier for details.

### **3. Enquiry Hotlines**

Schools may contact our hotline at 3628 8860 for enquiries on general matters in using the SBAS, or our SBA Team at 3628 8064 or 3628 8070 for enquiries on subject requirements.

## 2021 Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education Examination Guidelines on Work Submission for English Language

### 1. Submission Period

Mark submission: 1 – 31 Mar 2021 (upload to School-based Assessment System (www.hkdse.hkeaa.edu.hk) using English Language Teacher and Panel account)

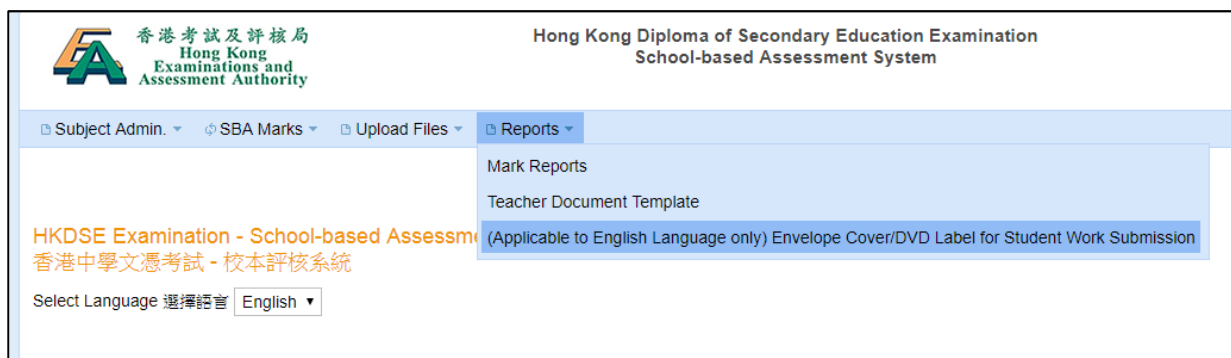
DVD submission: 15 – 31 Mar 2021 (submit to HKEAA offices)

### 2. Submission Requirements

- The Subject Panel should select six video clips for Part A or Part B of the SBA of their students upon mark submission to Principal in SBAS. The six clips should consist of two high, two medium and two low levels of performance.
- When selecting students for SBA Work Submission, do NOT select those whose work is found to be an irregularity, such as mark penalty being imposed on due to plagiarism.
- The DVD should contain the six pieces of student work and the assessment records of the relevant students. For group interactions, teachers should write down next to the student name on the assessment records where the student chosen sat, e.g. the first student on the left. The assessment records should be scanned to pdf and named using the same naming convention. For example, if a student work is named as ELANG(123456).wmv, the respective assessment record should be named as ELANG(123456).pdf.
- Student Work file name convention:  
[Subject Abbreviation] [(6-digit Student Document Number)].[File extension]  
e.g. ELANG (345622).wmv  
The Student Document Number is the reference number of each individual student as shown in the Mark Summary Sheet. In fact, it comes from the beginning six digits of the identity document of a student. For example, if the HKID number of a student is K362880(1), the document number of him/her will then be ‘362880’.

### 3. Submission Guideline

- All student work should be submitted in the form of DVD. Teachers should record the student work of all the chosen students on a single DVD.
- A set of DVD label and envelope cover are available in the SBA System (Subject Panel account only):  
Mouse over ‘Reports’ menu and click ‘(Applicable to English Language only) Envelope Cover/DVD Label for Student Work Submission’, then click ‘Generate’.



- Please affix the label on the DVD, put it into an envelope and affix the envelope cover provided to the envelope for submission.

- The DVD can be submitted by hand or by registered post. If submitted by hand, the DVD should be delivered to one of the following collection centres:

***Hong Kong Side***

Hong Kong Examinations and Assessment  
Authority  
School Examinations and Assessment  
Division  
Southorn Centre, 12/F  
130 Hennessy Road, Wan Chai, Hong Kong

***Kowloon Side***

Hong Kong Examinations and Assessment  
Authority  
San Po Kong Office  
Publications Unit  
G/F, 17 Tseuk Luk Street, San Po Kong,  
Kowloon

***Opening Hours :*** 8:30 am – 5:30 pm (Monday to Friday)

- If the DVD is submitted by registered post, it should be sent to the above HKEAA Southorn Centre office (note: the address has been pre-printed on the envelope cover).

Should you have any queries, please contact the SBA Team of the HKEAA on 3628 8066 or 3628 8070.