

PRESS RELEASE Results of 2022 HKDSE Predicted Level Study

The Hong Kong Examinations and Assessment Authority (HKEAA) had completed the Predicted Level Study of the 2022 Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education Examination (HKDSE), and a school briefing was held today (31 October) to give an overview of the results to representatives of participating schools.

The Study aimed at investigating the accuracy of predicting school candidates' HKDSE results based on their school internal assessment marks. Detailed school reports listing the prediction results of each subject will be provided to the participating schools. The reports may help teachers better understand students' performance on public examinations and improve the design of their school assessments.

A total of 417 participating schools, representing about 89% of the participating schools had submitted internal assessment marks of about 38,100 school candidates for the Study. Taking into account a particular school's past HKDSE results, predictions of the candidates' HKDSE levels were made based on the submitted marks, and were then compared with their actual levels in the corresponding Category A subjects in the 2022 HKDSE.

Among the four core subjects, the outcome of English Language is more accurate with the predicted levels of about 70% of the candidates matching their actual HKDSE levels. About 29% of the predicted levels are one level above or below the candidates' actual levels. In other words, 99% of the predictions lie within one-level deviation from the HKDSE actual levels.

For the other three core subjects, the percentages of exact matching with the actual HKDSE levels for Chinese Language, Mathematics Compulsory Part and Liberal Studies are about 50%, 56% and 50% respectively, while more than 40% of the predicted levels lie one level above or below the candidates' actual HKDSE levels. Overall, for the core subjects, the results show that school assessments can in general reflect students' performance on the HKDSE.

The predicted levels for the elective subjects are less accurate due to the smaller candidatures, fewer entries by schools in those subjects, the variations in schools' HKDSE results over the years, etc. About 79% to 97% of the candidates' predicted levels lie within one-level deviation from their HKDSE actual levels for the elective subjects. Please refer to the annex for more details.

The HKEAA will continue to conduct the Predicted Level Study in 2023 and explore mechanisms to improve the prediction accuracy, and provide more useful feedback to schools for improving the validity and reliability of their internal assessments.

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Date: 31 October 2022

Annex: 2022 HKDSE Predicted Level Study Results Summary

Subject		Number of Participating Schools	Total Number of Candidates from Participating Schools	Predicted Level Same As Actual DSE Level (%)	Predicted Level 1 Level Above/Below Actual DSE Level (%)	Difference Between Predicted Level and Actual DSE Level Within 1 Level (%)
Chinaga Languaga		416	20,022	[A]	[B]	[A+B]
Chinese Language			36,833	50.0	43.6	93.6
English Language Methometics Compularity Port		416	37,973	70.2	28.8	99.0
Mathematics Compulsory Part		416	37,815	56.2	40.4	96.6
Liberal Studies Mathematics Extended Part	Algebra and	416	37,773	49.7	43.8	93.5
	Algebra and Calculus	294	3,716	39.3	46.6	85.9
	Calculus and Statistics *	183	1,905	33.0	46.1	79.1
Biology		397	10,676	50.5	43.7	94.2
Chemistry		389	9,640	48.3	45.5	93.8
Physics		389	8,070	50.2	44.2	94.4
Combined Science	Biology*	14	130	38.0	42.6	80.6
	Chemistry*	24	202	48.0	45.5	93.5
	Physics*	14	115	33.0	54.8	87.8
	Subject*	24	225	50.2	43.4	93.6
Integrated Science*		8	70	38.2	48.5	86.7
Information and Communication Technology		371	4,577	45.5	46.7	92.2
Visual Arts		330	2,867	62.3	35.1	97.4
Chinese Literature*		114	1039	36.9	46.8	83.7
Literature in English*		30	224	38.2	47.9	86.1
Health Management and Social Care*		48	739	44.2	44.6	88.8
Design and Applied Technology*		37	317	47.9	44.9	92.8
Technology and Living	Food Science and Technology*	13	110	43.1	49.5	92.6
	Fashion, Clothing and Textiles*	5	31	38.5	42.3	80.8
Business, Accounting and Financial Studies	Accounting	321	5,478	49.4	43.8	93.2
	Business Management	134	2,205	51.9	40.4	92.3
Economics		387	9,692	46.6	44.6	91.2
Geography		379	6,759	41.4	46.3	87.7
Chinese History		364	4,908	41.6	46.4	88.0
History		280	3,929	43.1	45.5	88.6
Tourism and Hospitality Studies		189	2,985	42.4	45.8	88.2
Ethics and Religious Studies*		72	602	45.1	45.6	90.7
Physical Education*		108	906	47.9	42.5	90.4
Music*		58	132	36.5	44.3	80.8

^{*}small candidature subject