



PRESS RELEASE

HKEAA Announces 2025 HKDSE Registration Arrangements

The Hong Kong Examinations and Assessment Authority (HKEAA) announced today (5 September 2024) that the 2025 Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education Examination (HKDSE) will be open for registration from 11 September to 8 October 2024.

School candidates should register for the HKDSE through their schools. Private candidates should register online via the Registration System at the HKDSE Examination Online Services (<https://www.hkdse.hkeaa.edu.hk/>).

Individuals entering for the 2025 HKDSE as a private candidate should meet one of the following requirements:

- (1) Have sat the previous HKDSE or an equivalent examination, or
- (2) Have reached the age of 19 by 1 January 2025, or
- (3) Have completed or are currently pursuing a non-HKDSE curriculum equivalent to Secondary 6 (S6) as determined by the HKEAA for the 2024/2025 academic year.

Each candidate may take a maximum of eight subjects from any combination of Categories A, B and C subjects in one examination year. The following subjects will be offered in the 2025 HKDSE:

- Category A - 23 Senior Secondary subjects
- Category B - 58 Applied Learning subjects*
- Category C - 5 Other Languages subjects, namely French, German, Japanese, Korean and Spanish Languages

* Offered to school candidates only

For Category C Other Languages subjects, candidates have to take the stipulated language examinations administered in Hong Kong by the official organisations. They are required to enrol directly with the designated examination administrators according to the timetable of the respective language examinations. During the registration for the 2025 HKDSE, candidates concerned should choose the relevant Category C subject(s). Their examination results documentation should be submitted to the HKEAA on or before 28 February 2025. Candidates' results obtained in these examinations at the stipulated minimum proficiency level or above will be included in their HKDSE Category C results.

The 2025 HKDSE examination fees have been announced. Details are as follows:

#Initial Fee	HK\$572
^Initial Fee (Mainland examination centre)	HK\$2,059
Subject Fee	
@Language subjects	HK\$747
Other subjects	HK\$499

Note:

applicable to private candidates only

^ applicable only to eligible school candidates studying S6 in the participating schools in the Mainland approved by the HKEAA and will sit the examination at designated examination centres in the Mainland

@ applicable to Chinese Language and English Language only

The 2025 HKDSE's 'Instructions to Applicants' will be available for prospective candidates to view on the HKEAA website (www.hkeaa.edu.hk) and the HKDSE Examination Online Services (<https://www.hkdse.hkeaa.edu.hk/>) from 11 September 2024. Candidates and members of the public shall contact the Public Examinations Information Centre via the enquiry hotline (3628 8860) or email (dse@hkeaa.edu.hk) for enquiries related to the registration arrangements.

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