



ST. ANDREW'S SECONDARY SCHOOL

Frequently Asked Questions

1. How is posting done under the new posting group system?

From the 2024 S1 cohort, Primary 6 students will be posted into S1 based on their Posting Group eligibility, i.e., Posting Group 1, 2, or 3, mapped from existing PSLE score ranges (see Table below).

PSLE Score	Posting Group	Indicative level for most subjects at start of S1
4 – 20	3	G3
21 and 22	2 or 3	G2 or G3
23 and 24	2	G2
25	1 or 2	G1 or G2
26 – 30 (with AL 7 in EL and MA)	1	G1

There is no specific requirement of AL scores to qualify for admission via DSA. SASS accepts students from all three Posting Groups. The PSLE Score range of a school is the PSLE Score of the first and last student admitted to the school in the previous year, and the COP is the score of the last student admitted to the school. Schools' PSLE Score ranges are not pre-determined by MOE or schools and is a result of the cohort's PSLE results and their school choices in that year's S1 Posting Exercise, which is why it may vary slightly from year to year. Not all subjects must be offered at G3 level. For more information on Full SBB, please visit the microsite at <https://www.moe.gov.sg/microsites/psle-fsbb/full-subject-based-banding/main.html>.

2. Can my son join 2 CCAs at SASS?

Yes, students at SASS are allowed to take up 2 CCAs. However, we encourage Sec 1 students to have only 1 CCA, so that they may give themselves ample time to develop their skills and passion in depth. We are also mindful that with the increased number of subjects at secondary level, students may require more time to adjust and adapt to the new school environment, hence, their well-being is at the core of our interest.

3. How does SASS prepare my son for the future economy? / How does SASS develop the students to be equipped with 21CC skills?

In many of our school's programmes, we aim to develop critical and creative thinking skills in our students, such in our ALP, where all lower secondary students will be exposed to programming and coding through Robotics. Our LLP aims to develop skills, student agency and character through Youth in Community Leadership. We continuously expose our students to the needs in the community and build partnerships where our students leverage platforms to give back to the community in their own capacity, taking the lead to initiate and plan for community involvement. All Secondary 3 students are also encouraged to participate in Saints Travel Programme, where we visit cities in ASEAN and China, and students are kept updated on current developments and trends around the region. We also expose our Sec 4 students to the different careers and professions through Career Week, partnerships and internship/attachment opportunities.

4. Does SASS offer Higher Mother Tongue Languages?

SASS only offers HCL in-school. For Higher Malay and Higher Tamil, students will have to take lessons at external language centres(after school hours). SASS can assist eligible students to register for HTL/HML lessons at external centres.

5. Does SASS offer Hindi lessons?

Yes, Hindi lessons are conducted in-school.

6. Is third language(French/German/Japanese) or any of the Special Programmes(Chinese/Malay/Tamil) offered at SASS?

No, SASS do not conduct the above programmes in-house. All third language and Special Programmes are conducted at external centres.

7. How are students with Special Needs supported at SASS?

At SASS, we have a team of dedicated SENOs who are trained and well-equipped to support SEN learning and behavioural needs. Our SENOs work closely with our teachers and parents on a regular basis to understand the evolving needs of SEN as they progress from primary to secondary school.

For more information on the school's programmes/subjects offered, please refer to our school website:

<https://www.standrewssec.moe.edu.sg/>.

To have a glimpse on school events and school ethos, please visit our official FB page: <https://www.facebook.com/standrewssec>

USEFUL MOE WEBLINKS

DSA-Sec Main Webpage	https://www.moe.gov.sg/dsa-sec
Instructions on Application (Mainstream students)	https://go.gov.sg/dsa-sec-application
Instructions on Application (Non Mainstream Students)	https://go.gov.sg/nmsdsa-sec-application
Direct to DSA-Sec Portal (Mainstream Students)	https://go.gov.sg/apply-dsa-sec
Direct to DSA-Sec Portal (Non Mainstream Students)	https://go.gov.sg/apply-dsa-sec-nms
DSA-Sec iFAQs	https://go.gov.sg/dsa-secfaqs
DSA-Sec School Finder	https://go.gov.sg/dsa-secschfinder
Full Subject-Based Banding	https://www.moe.gov.sg/microsites/psle-fsbb/full-subject-based-banding/main.html