
DIRECT SCHOOL ADMISSION (DSA) EXERCISE FOR 2025 INTAKE

Sembawang Secondary School (SMB) invites all current P6 students to apply for admission to our school in the academic year of 2025 through the **Direct School Admission (DSA)** exercise.

The closing date for all DSA applications is Monday, 3 June 2024 (3.00 p.m.)

(A) DSA Criteria

All applicants must satisfy the criteria as stated, and follow the procedure as listed below. The following talent area is open for DSA application for the 2025 intake:

Leadership

1. Applicants should be passionate to serve others in school and community.
2. Applicants must demonstrate leadership attributes such as Confidence, Problem Solving Skills and Positive Role-modelling.
3. Applicants must have had experience in holding leadership positions. eg. Prefect, Peer Support Leader, Class Leader or CCA Leader.

(B) Application Process

Application for DSA-Sec can be submitted through the online DSA-Sec Portal. The application is free-of-charge and will be open from 7 May 2024 to 3 June 2024. For more details, please refer to MOE website: www.moe.gov.sg/dsa-sec

(C) Selection Process

All applicants will be selected based on merit. The DSA selection panel will ensure that the selection process is objective, transparent and merit based. Please note that meeting all criteria does not guarantee an applicant will be selected.

Applicants will be required to attend an interview in July – August 2024.

(D) Key Dates

The table below gives the key timeline for the DSA-Sec exercise:

DSA Application Period	7 May 2024, 11.00 a.m. – 3 June 2024, 3.00 p.m.
Interviews	15 July - 31 August 2024 Dates will be announced in July 2024
Notification of DSA results	By 9 September 2024 All applicants will be informed of the outcome (i.e. Confirmed Offer, Wait List or Unsuccessful) of their DSA application through a letter.

(E) Important Information

- **Parents and students are encouraged to choose schools wisely based on the student's aptitudes and strengths, bearing in mind the schools' academic and non-academic requirements, and the programmes available to develop the area of talent.**
- General academic ability tests such as the General Ability Test (GAT) and Higher Ability Selection Test (HAST) are **NOT** required for the selection process.
- Parents may log in directly to DSA-Sec Portal using your SingPass. Parents/Guardians who are unable to apply online can approach your child's primary school for assistance.
- Applicants **not** studying in mainstream MOE primary schools are required to apply for a Registration number (RGxxxxxx) before they can apply through the DSA-Sec Portal. Refer to the MOE website <https://go.gov.sg/nmsdsa-sec-application> for more details.
- All shortlisted International Students who are not taking PSLE should be reminded that they are required to take and fulfil the requirements of the Admissions Exercise for International Students test to be successful in DSA.
- **Students who are successfully admitted to the school via DSA are expected to honour their commitment to the school, and participate in the activities related to the talent they are selected for from year 1-4.**
- For more information on DSA, please visit www.moe.gov.sg/dsa-sec
- For further clarification, you may contact the following school staff:

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