School Reference No: JWSS/2021/0285

7 May 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians.

ITE Early Admissions Exercise (ITE EAE) and Aptitude-Based Admissions (ABA)

- 1. In Jurong West Secondary School (JWSS), we believe in enabling each student to perform to his/her full potential holistically and where the JW Experience also enables students to discover, develop and excel in their talents and interests.
- 2. The ITE EAE is an aptitude-based admissions exercise that allows students to apply and receive conditional offers for admission to ITE **before** receiving their GCE O-Level or N-Level results.
- 3. As part of the larger shift in ITE's admissions philosophy to better recognize skills and aptitude, ITE also has available the ITE Aptitude-Based Admissions (ITE ABA) to cater to students who prefer to choose their course after knowing how well they have done in their final examinations. ITE ABA would take place after the closure of the Joint Intake Exercise (JIE) in December 2021.
- 4. The objectives of the ITE EAE and ABA are to:
 - exercise greater flexibility in selecting students based on a broader measure of merit, apart from their academic grades;
 - b) recognise a wider range of talents among students; and
 - c) cater to students who have strong aptitude and sustained interest in a particular field of study.
- 5. The timeline for ITE EAE is attached in Annex A for your reference.
- 6. Please refer to Annex B for Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) as well as a list of useful links to know more about the ITE EAE and ABA processes.
- 7. A copy of the ITE EAE note has also been given to all Secondary 4 Normal Academic and Secondary 4 Normal Technical graduating students for their information. The factsheet is attached for reference in Annex C.
- 8. As the school does every year, we will be conducting a school-based workshop to guide and support students in their EAE applications. The details of the workshop are as follows:

Day & Date: Friday, 14 May 2021

Time: 11:30AM to 12:40PM (during CCE lesson)

- 9. Should you require further details or have any queries, please contact any of the following:
 - Ms Melissa Chan (HOD CCE) at 62633593 (ext 119) or at jwss@moe.edu.sg
 - Your child's/ward's Form Teachers

10. Thank you for your continued strong support and partnership.

Yours sincerely

Mr Michael Chan

Vice-Principal (Administration)

Annex A

Application Process:

- Please submit your application online via https://www.ite.edu.sg/apply-eae from Thu 27 May Wed 2 Jun 2021.
- You can indicate up to 3 course choices. Courses with the same title at different ITE Colleges are counted as separate choices. You are not allowed to change your course choices after the close of application.
- In your application, a write-up (of not more than 100 words) would be required for each course choice. List down your talents, aptitude, achievements, passion and interests relevant to the course. Additional documents such as portfolio of related works / projects, participation in MOE Elective Modules and/or Applied Subjects, work attachments, community/volunteer work, school/personal activities/projects, CCAs and competitions or relevant work experience should be included.

Interview Period:

- The respective ITE College will notify you of the interview details via e-mail, phone call or SMS if you are shortlisted anywhere from Tue 22 Jun Tue 27 Jul 2021.
- Bring along your portfolio of relevant works/projects and supporting documents, such as certificates, awards and testimonials, for the panel to assess your aptitude and interest for the course. You may also have to take an aptitude test when attending the interview, depending on the course.
- You will be notified to attend up to one interview for your choices with the same course title at two or more ITE Colleges.

Offer and Acceptance Phase:

- Log in to https://istudent.ite.edu.sg to check your application result.
- If your application is successful, you must accept the conditional offer online by Fri 27 Aug 2021. Otherwise your offer will be withdrawn.
- You will be guaranteed a place in the course if you accept the conditional offer, as long as your GCE O-Level or N-Level examination results meet the Minimum Entry Requirements of the course.

Important Dates:

Event	Dates
Application Process	
Apply Online	
 3 Choices in order of preference, one write-up for each course 	Thu 27 May – Wed 2 Jun 2021
Interview Period	·
Shortlisted students will be informed of their interview dates, starting	
from Mid-June.	Tue 22 Jun – Tue 27 Jul 2021
Offer and Acceptance Phase	
Check results online	
 Students can choose to reject or accept offer 	Mon 23 Aug – Fri 27 Aug 2021
Withdrawal Phase	Į.
Proceed to any ITE Customer & Visitor Centres. After withdrawal	,
students can participate in the Joint Intake Exercise (JIE).	Mon 30 Aug – Fri 3 Sep 2021
	ITE will inform you of your offer
	confirmation status shortly after the official
	release of GCE O-Level or N-Level
Confirmation of Conditional Offer	examination results.

Annex B

1. What is the difference between ITE EAE and ITE ABA?

The ITE Early Admissions Exercise (ITE EAE) is an aptitude-based admissions exercise. It is conducted before O/N(A)/N(T)-Level examinations, and students can submit up to 3 courses choices.

ITE Aptitude Based Admissions (ITE ABA) are ITE's aptitude-based assessment to include more courses in the Joint Intake Exercise. It is conducted after N(A)/N(T)-Level results are released; students can submit up to 12 course choices.

2. What are the courses that offer aptitude-based assessment?

Courses that offer aptitude-based assessment are selected programmes from the school of Applied & Health Sciences, Business & Services, Design & Media, Electronics & ICT, Engineering and Hospitality.

3. What is the difference if I apply for ITE EAE or via JIE 'N' since both involve aptitude-based assessments?

ITE EAE would allow you to obtain a place in the course **early**, especially if you are clear about your interest, subject to meeting the course Minimum Entry Requirements (MERs).

Application through JIE 'N' are for those who are less certain about their interests and/or prefer to choose a course **after** receiving their final examinations results.

4. Does ITE EAE consider talents in sports/performing & visual arts/leadership & entrepreneurship in its selection criteria?

The ITE EAE is primarily targeted at students who have strong aptitude and interest in a particular field related to the Nitec / Higher Nitec course they are applying for. Students' achievements in sports, arts, leadership, entrepreneurship and community service will also be taken into consideration during the selection process.

5. Given the evolving COVID-19 situation, will there be changes in the ITE EAE application process?

MOE and ITE will continue to monitor the situation and take appropriate measures to ensure the safety and well-being of students during the selection process, particularly for the selection interviews. Should there be changes to the ITE EAE application timelines and procedures, MOE and ITE will provide an update as soon as possible. Please refrain from attending an interview at the College if you have flu-like symptoms (e.g. fever, cough, runny nose), or if you are affected by any restriction measures issued by the authorities (e.g. Leave of Absence, Stay-Home Notice, quarantine order). If you are unable to attend interview as scheduled, or require clarification on whether you should attend interview, please contact the respective College as soon as possible. The College may also contact you via SMS, email or phone in the event that your interview has to be rescheduled.

Useful Links:

Webpage	URL	
ITE Main website		
Information on courses, admissions exercise,		
,	https://www.ite.edu.sg/	
MySkillsFuture portal		
One-stop ECG portal that empowers our students to		1
embark on a journey of self-discovery and make informed		
TO THE STREET HE STREET	https://www.myskillsfuture.sg/content/student/en/secondary.html	
MOE Post-Secondary Education Institution Choices		N
Post-Secondary Education Institutions (PSEI) options		
	https://beta.moe.gov.sg/post-secondary/overview/	



Annex C – PG Announcement to Parents

7 May 2021

JWSS/2021/0362

Dear students (Secondary 4 Normal Academic & 4 Normal Technical)

ITE Early Admissions Exercise (ITE EAE) 2021

- 1. We would like to share with you about the ITE Early Admissions Exercise (ITE EAE). This aptitude-based admissions exercise is one that takes into consideration your passion and inclination for a particular field. If you have strong aptitude and passion in a field related to a *Nitec* course, the ITE EAE is for you.
- 2. The ITE Early Admissions Exercise (ITE EAE) in 2021 will commence with the application phase, which will last from **27 May 2021 (Thursday)** to **2 Jun 2021 (Wednesday)**.
- 3. The timeline for ITE EAE 2021 is attached in Annex A. A list of useful links to find out more about the ITE EAE process can be found in Annex B.
- 4. We would like to encourage you to consider the options available through ITE EAE. Identify the fields of study that you might be interested in, and look through ITE *Nitec* course catalogue for courses that might fall within your area(s) of interest:
- 5. Should you require further assistance or have any queries, please contact your Form Teachers, or Ms Melissa Chan (HOD/CCE) at 62623593 (ext 119).
- We will also be holding a workshop for the Sec 4 Normal Academic and Sec 4 Normal Technical students to think about their ITE EAE application on 14 May 2021. After this workshop, if you have more queries and require further help, please seek advice and help from your teachers we would be glad to help you.
- 7. Thank you. We look forward to your participation in this admissions exercise.

Yours sincerely,

Ms Melissa Chan

Head of Department (Character and Citizenship Education)

Annex A

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Withdrawal Phase:

- If you decide to withdraw from the conditional offer after having accepted it earlier, you must submit your withdrawal request to training@ite.edu.sg by Fri 3 Sep 2021.
- If you do not withdraw by Fri 3 Sep 2021 and your GCE N/O-Level examination results meet the Minimum Entry Requirements, your place in the course will be confirmed.

Important Dates:

Phase	Revised dates	
Application phase	Thu 27 May 2021 – Wed 2 June 2021	
Interview	Tues 22 June 2021 - Tue 27 July 2021	\neg
Offer & Acceptance phase	Mon 23 Aug 2021 – Fri 27 Aug 2021	1
Withdrawal phase	Mon 30 Aug 2021 - Fri 3 Sep 2021	



Annex B

Useful Links:

Website Description	Link
ITE EAE website	
Information on courses, admissions exercise, scholarships academic calendar	www.ite.edu.sg/admissions/full-time- courses/nitec/eae
Results of ITE EAE application	
Check the application outcome online between Mon 23 Aug 2021 and Fri 27 Aug 2021. Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) on ITE EAE	https://istudent.ite.edu.sg
A list of frequently asked questions that encompass the application, acceptance, appeal and COVID-19 processes for ITE EAE	

