EDB announces arrangement for additional Basic Law and National Security Law Test

To provide a facilitation service to teachers who plan to serve in primary and secondary schools or change schools but have not yet taken the Basic Law and National Security Law Test held earlier, the Education Bureau (EDB) today (May 24) announced that an additional Basic Law and National Security Law Test for degree holders will be held on July 15 (Saturday). The test is open for application from 9am on June 1 to 5pm on June 14.

The target participants for the test are those who have attained a bachelor's degree or will have attained a bachelor's degree in the 2022/23 academic year and plan to join or change to another secondary school, primary school or kindergarten to take up a graduate teaching post. Applications can be made through the EDB's online application system (www.edb.gov.hk/en/blnst). Limited places for the test will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. Those who have already obtained a pass result in the Basic Law and National Security Law Test organised by the EDB for degree holders will not be accepted to sit for the test again.

The EDB has conducted five rounds of the test in the 2022/23 school year, three of which were for degree holders and two for non-degree holders. Starting from the 2023/24 school year, all newly appointed teachers in public sector schools, Direct Subsidy Scheme schools and kindergartens joining the kindergarten education scheme (including newly joined teachers and teachers changing schools) are required to pass the test in order to be considered for appointment. The requirement applies to all ranks of the teacher grade including principals.

Details about the test are available on the EDB webpage (www.edb.gov.hk/en/blnst).