

# EDB's latest public service arrangements

In view of the latest epidemic situation and special work arrangements for Government employees, a spokesman for the Education Bureau (EDB) announced today (November 30) that all Regional Education Offices and the Joint Office for Kindergartens and Child Care Centres will provide only emergency services and essential public services "from Wednesday" (December 2). The measure will be implemented tentatively for two weeks "until December 15."

The spokesman reminded that members of the public who need these services should contact the service units concerned by phone in advance.

As for appointments already made for the audiological services at the Kowloon Tong Education Services Centre, officers of the EDB will contact the parents concerned for appropriate arrangements.

The School Places Allocation Section will continue to provide limited hotline services to handle enquiries and appointments.

When circumstances permit, the Teacher Registration Team will invite applicants to proceed with the necessary procedure in due course. For the new teachers taking up teaching posts in this school year, their applications would not be affected in principle.

Regarding the following public facilities/units of the EDB, they will remain closed to the public temporarily until further notice:

1. Hong Kong Teachers' Centre, Special Education Resource Centre and Young Achievers' Gallery located at Kowloon Tong Education Services Centre;
2. Arts and Technology Education Centre (including STEM Education Centre);
3. School Places Allocation Section;
4. Qualifications Framework Secretariat; and
5. Teacher Registration Team.