

# EDB's latest public service arrangements

In view of the extension of special work arrangements for government employees until December 23, a spokesman for the Education Bureau (EDB) announced today (December 13) that all Regional Education Offices and the Joint Office for Kindergartens and Child Care Centres will continue to provide emergency services and essential public services "during this period.

The spokesman reminded that members of the public who need these services should contact the service units concerned by phone in advance. As a staff member of the Kowloon Regional Education Office tested positive for COVID-19 earlier, the service units concerned are temporarily closed until December 23. Members of the public may call 3698 4108 if they need to contact the Kowloon Regional Education Office.

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.