

Primary One Central Allocation results to be posted to parents on June 2 or June 3

The Education Bureau (EDB) reminded parents today (May 27) that the results of the Central Allocation for Primary One Admission (POA) 2021 will be sent to parents by post from next Wednesday to Thursday (June 2 to June 3).

"A total of 24 211 children took part in Primary One Central Allocation. Among them, 18 645 children were allocated to schools of their first three choices," a spokesman for the bureau said.

"Taking into account discretionary places and the number of children allocated to schools of their first three choices in the Central Allocation, the overall satisfaction rate is 88.1 per cent."

The Central Allocation of POA is composed of two parts. Ten per cent of the places for the Central Allocation, which are not restricted by school nets, are under Part A and parents may choose up to three schools in any school net. The remaining 90 per cent of the places for the Central Allocation are under Part B and parents are required to select schools in the school net/Choice of Schools List in respect of the applicant child. Of the places allocated to children in the Central Allocation, 2 643 are under Part A and 21 568 are under Part B.

Parents who completed a Choice of Schools Form for the Central Allocation on January 30 or January 31 this year will receive the Primary One Registration Form delivered by post from June 2 to June 3 through the Local CourierPost service provided by Hongkong Post. If parents have not received the Primary One Registration Form or the Mail Collection Notification Card issued by Hongkong Post by June 4, they could collect the Primary One Registration Form at the designated collection centre from June 5 to June 6 (please refer to the EDB's Primary One Admission System webpage for details then). In addition, if parents have provided a mobile phone number on the Choice of Schools Form and indicated their consent to receive the Central Allocation results via this mobile phone number, they will also receive the results of their applicant children via SMS message on June 2.

In light of the development of the COVID-19 epidemic situation, the EDB will assign timeslots for parents to register with the allocated school on June 8 (Tuesday) or June 9 (Wednesday) according to the last digit of the applicant children's POA application number so as to reduce the gathering of people and maintain social distancing. Parents are requested to complete the registration formalities within the specified date and time as listed on the Arrangements on Registration attached to the Primary One Registration Form. Parents who cannot proceed with the registration within the specified date and time can register on June 10 (Thursday) instead, from 9am to 12pm or 2pm

to 4pm.

Parents who cannot register their child with the school on the above dates due to matters of grave importance should notify the person in charge of registration of the school concerned in advance to make alternative arrangements; otherwise, they would be deemed to have given up the school place allocated.

Due to the impact of the COVID-19 epidemic on cross-boundary travel, parents of Cross-Boundary Students (CBS) (and individual parents of applicant children outside Hong Kong) may not be able to register with their respective allocated schools in person. In view of this, the EDB has made special arrangements for these parents. They could register with their allocated school by fax, email or post, or authorise a representative to register with the school on their behalf on the specified registration dates. The EDB has already informed all parents of applicant children concerned about the special arrangements.

Should parents decide to give up the place allocated because of special circumstances, such as moving to another school net far from the school allocated, they should not register their child with the school allocated. Under such circumstances, they are advised to go to the EDB's School Places Allocation Section, Office 2, 2/F, Manulife Financial Centre, 223 Wai Yip Street, Kwun Tong, Kowloon, to make necessary arrangements. They should bring along the Primary One Registration Form, the original and copies of documents showing proof of the new address, such as a rental contract, rates demand notes, or water or electricity bills bearing the name of the parent or the guardian of the child.

Any parent who finds it necessary to transfer his/her child to another school after registration is strongly advised to obtain an assurance of acceptance from that school before retrieving the Primary One Registration Form from the original school because retrieval of the registration form means cancellation of the allocated school place.

Should the territory be affected by adverse weather or other special circumstances during the period for the announcement of results or on any day(s) designated for registration, parents should listen to announcements on radio and television for special arrangements for Central Allocation or registration.

Parents wishing to obtain general information regarding POA procedures can call the 24-hour enquiry service of the EDB at 2891 0088. Further enquiries can be made to the School Places Allocation Section at 2832 7610 (for Hong Kong Island and Islands), 2832 7620 (for Kowloon), 2832 7635 (for New Territories West), 2832 7659 (for New Territories East) and 2832 7700/2832 7740 (for general enquiries) during office hours, as well as from 9am to 4.30pm on June 5 and June 6.