

Results of Language Proficiency Assessment for Teachers released

The Education Bureau today (August 20) announced that candidates of the Language Proficiency Assessment for Teachers (LPAT) 2020 (written and speaking assessments), held in June and July this year, will receive results notices by post from the Hong Kong Examinations and Assessment Authority (HKEAA) starting from tomorrow (August 21).

A total of 1 213 candidates sat for the English Language papers while 1 124 sat for the Putonghua papers this year.

The results of the assessment are as follows:

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* LPR = Language Proficiency Requirement

A spokesman for the EDB said, "The EDB administers the LPAT every year to provide a channel for teachers and people aspiring to be teachers of English or Putonghua to attain the Language Proficiency Requirement (LPR). Candidates of the LPAT include the public and teachers teaching subjects other than the two languages."

Candidates who have not received the results notices by next Tuesday

(August 25) should contact the HKEAA on 3628 8860.

The Assessment Reports, which provide the chief examiners' observations on candidates' performance, including their strengths and areas for improvement, will be released in October through the websites of the HKEAA (www.hkeaa.edu.hk) and the Education Bureau (www.edb.gov.hk) for the reference of candidates, schools and teacher education institutions. The question papers, together with a CD for the listening tests, suggested answers and Assessment Reports, will be available for sale in October.

Applications for rechecking of results will be accepted on or before August 27. Candidates will be informed individually of their appeal results by September 24.

Those who intend to attain the LPR in future can do so through assessment and/or exemption. The next calls for applications to sit for the LPAT and for applications for exemption will be made in September and November 2020 respectively. The details will be made available through an Education Bureau circular memorandum in the 2020/21 school year.

The spokesman added, "Concerning the Classroom Language Assessment (CLA), teachers holding a permanent post have to meet the LPR within the first year of teaching the two languages. Due to the impact of the epidemic, the EDB has already extended the deadline in the 2019/20 school year for one year. Some of the CLA yet to be completed will be conducted in the next school year (2020/21) upon resumption of face-to-face classes. Those candidates who have not yet completed the assessment will be informed of the detailed arrangements. All the results notices will be issued by the end of this year if feasible."