

**MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, TERTIARY EDUCATION,
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**

Admission to Academies Grade 10 (2023)

Information for applicants

Dear Parent/Responsible Party

Your ward will be taking the National Certificate of Education (NCE) Assessment at the end of this academic year 2021-2022. You may choose for your ward to pursue his/her studies in Grades 10 to 13 in an Academy or to continue in the Secondary School s/he is currently attending.

In case you wish to seek a seat for your ward in an Academy, we are providing you with the notes below for your information and we advise you to read them carefully.

Academies – a brief overview

In line with the *Nine Year Continuous Basic Education* reform, 12 Academies¹ are in operation since June 2021.

Academies have been set up as centres of excellence for post-basic education, running classes from Grades 10 to 13. The Academies aim at providing new opportunities for empowering students for self-directed learning and positive character development.

Academies are co-educational institutions and admission will be on a national basis i.e. irrespective of the residential address of the applicants.

Curriculum offered in Academies

Academies will offer subjects as per the national core curriculum. All four strands, namely, Arts & Humanities, Economics, Science and Technical, will be available.

English, French and Mathematics are compulsory subjects in Grade 10.

The following subjects will also be offered in all the 12 Academies:

Accounting, Additional Mathematics, Art & Design, Biology, Business Studies, Chemistry, Computer Science, Design & Communication, Design & Technology, Economics, Fashion & Textiles, Food & Nutrition, French Literature, Kreol Morisien, Literature in English, Physical Education, Physics and Sociology.

¹ Refer to the specimen Application Form for the list of the 12 Academies and their location.

Other subjects on offer in Grade 10 may differ from one Academy to another. Below are a few of the optional subjects as may be offered in the 12 Academies:

Academy	Arabic	Enterprise	Geography	Hindi	Hinduism	History	Islamic Studies	Literature in Hindi	Marathi	Modern Chinese	Tamil	Telugu	Travel & Tourism	Urdu
Dr Maurice Curé State College	✓	✓	-	✓	✓	-	✓	✓	✓	-	✓	✓	✓	✓
Droopnath Ramphul State College	✓	-	-	✓	✓	-	✓	✓	-	-	✓	✓	✓	✓
Forest Side SSS (Girls)	✓	-	-	✓	✓	-	✓	✓	✓	-	✓	✓	✓	✓
GMD Atchia State College	✓	✓	-	✓	✓	-	✓	-	-	-	✓	✓	✓	✓
John Kennedy College	✓	✓	-	✓	✓	-	✓	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	✓
Mahatma Gandhi Institute	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	✓
Queen Elizabeth College	✓	-	-	✓	✓	-	✓	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	✓
Royal College Curepipe	✓	-	-	✓	✓	-	✓	-	-	-	✓	✓	-	✓
Royal College Port Louis	✓	✓	-	✓	-	-	-	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	✓
Sir A. R. Osman State College	✓	✓	-	✓	✓	-	✓	-	-	-	✓	-	-	✓
Sir L. Teelock SSS	-	✓	-	✓	✓	-	✓	-	✓	-	✓	✓	✓	✓
S. Bissoondoyal State College	✓	✓	-	✓	✓	-	✓	✓	✓	-	✓	✓	✓	✓

Each Academy, however, reserves the right not to offer any given subject where too few students would have opted for that subject at the time of admission.

Admission in Academies

Responsible Parties of Grade 9 and Extended Programme Grade 9+ students wishing to apply for a seat in one of the Academies must fill in the Application Form to indicate their choice of Academies.

- Application Forms will be available from their respective school.
- They may opt for admission in one Academy or more. They should number their choice of Academy on the Application Form in order of their preference (01, 02, 03 etc.).

- ☞ **Filling of Application Forms: between Wednesday 24 August 2022 and Wednesday 31 August 2022**
- ☞ **Submission of filled-in Application Forms: by Wednesday 31 August 2022 at 15.00 hours at the latest:**
 - For students attending Private Secondary Schools, to either the Head of their respective school, **or** the Zone Directorate of their respective school;
 - For students attending State Secondary Schools, to the Rector of their respective school.

Allocation of seats

In accordance with Regulation 18B of the Education Regulations, the Mauritius Examinations Syndicate (MES) will allocate the seats in the Academies, based on:

“the grade aggregate and the relative performance of the eligible pupil in the best 8 core subjects, including English, French and Mathematics, at the NCE assessment and the choice of the responsible party”

The MES will issue replies to all applicants together with their NCE results. Successful applicants will choose their subjects for Grade 10 as per the Option Form to be issued to them at the time of registration in the Academy.

Note:

“grade aggregate” means the sum total of the grades obtained by a pupil in the best 8 core subjects, including English, French and Mathematics, out of the core subjects offered at the NCE assessment.

As per the Annual Programme for the NCE Assessment for 2021-2022:

‘compulsory core subjects’ means *English, Mathematics, French*

‘other core subjects’ means *Science, Information and Communication Technology, Technology Studies, Business and Entrepreneurship Education, Social and Modern Studies, Art and Design*

‘optional core subject’ means any *Asian Language or Arabic or Kreol Morisien*

Contact

Should you need any additional information, please call any one of the following Customer Care Desks on working days between 09 00 hrs and 15 00 hrs:

Customer Care Desk	Address	Tel. Nos.
Zone 1 - Port Louis & the North	Ministry of Education, Tertiary Education, Science and Technology, Level 8 Mutual Aid Building, Port Louis	405 9645
Zone 2 - Beau Bassin, Rose Hill & the East	Ministry of Education, Tertiary Education, Science and Technology, Sir F. Herchenroder Street, Beau Bassin	454 7090
Zone 3 - Curepipe & the South	Ministry of Education, Tertiary Education, Science and Technology, Royal Road (Opposite Grand Port District Council), Rose Belle	627 2441
Zone 4 - Vacoas/Phoenix, Q. Bornes & the West	Ministry of Education, Tertiary Education, Science and Technology, Level 2, Ebène Heights, Ebène	468 1512
Zone 5 - Rodrigues	Chief Commissioner's Office, Commission for Education, Antoinette Prudence Human Resource Development Centre (HRDC), Malabar, Rodrigues	831 5630
Private Secondary Education Authority	Sir Francis Herchenroder Street, Beau Bassin	454 7031
MITD House	Ministry of Education, Tertiary Education, Science and Technology, MITD House, Pont Fer, Phoenix 73544	601 5281 698 5349

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