

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

Admission to Academies Grade 10 (2021 – 2022)

Information for applicants

Dear Parent

Your ward will be taking the National Certificate of Education (NCE) Assessment at the end of this academic year 2020-2021. You may choose for your ward to pursue his studies in Grades 10 to 13 in an Academy or to continue in the Secondary School 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* reforms, 12 State Secondary Schools¹ will operate as Academies as from June 2021.

Academies are being 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 will be 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 in Grade 10.

The following subjects will also be offered in the twelve Academies:

Accounting, Additional Mathematics, Biology, Business Studies, Chemistry, Computer Science, Design & Communication, Design & Technology, Economics, Fashion &

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

Textiles, Food & Nutrition, French Literature, Literature in English, Physical Education, Physics and Sociology.

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 twelve 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 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 or more Academies. They should number their choice of Academy on the Application Form in order of their preference (01, 02, 03 etc.).

- ☞ **Filling of Application Forms: Tuesday 16 to Friday 26 February 2021**
- ☞ **Submission of filled-in Application Forms: by Friday 26 February 2021 at 15 00 at the latest:**
 - For students attending Private Secondary Schools, to 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 National Certificate of Education (NCE) Assessment for 2020-2021:

“compulsory core subjects means *English, Mathematics, French, 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 4 Mutual Aid Building, Port Louis	211 2403 405 9624
Zone 2 - Beau Bassin, Rose Hill & the East	Ministry of Education, Tertiary Education, Science and Technology Sir F. Herchenroder Street, Beau Bassin	454 7090 464 1336
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
MITD House	Ministry of Education, Tertiary Education, Science and Technology MITD House, Pont Fer, Phoenix 73544	601 5281 698 5349

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