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**New PSLE
Scoring System**

**Subject-Based
Banding**

PSLE Placement Examination

- Recognizes **students' level of achievement**, regardless of how their peers have done.
- Places students into **different courses** according to their academic ability.
- Enables posting to Secondary Schools **by merit** and as far as possible into a **school of their choice**.



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HOW PSLE SCORING WORKS

- From T-score to wider scoring bands

Reflects a student's individual level of achievement

Unlike the current T-score, students' AL for each subject will reflect their level of achievement, rather than how they have performed relative to their peers.

AL	RAW MARK RANGE
1	≥ 90
2	85 – 89
3	80 – 84
4	75 – 79
5	65 – 74
6	45 – 64
7	20 – 44
8	< 20



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FROM T-SCORE TO WIDER SCORING BANDS

- The PSLE Score replaces the T-score aggregate.
- It is obtained by adding the ALs of four subjects.
- The PSLE Score ranges from 4 to 32, with 4 being the best possible score.
- Students will be placed in secondary school courses based on their overall PSLE score – Express, Normal (Academic) or Normal (Technical).

ENGLISH AL3

MOTHER TONGUE AL2

MATHEMATICS AL1

SCIENCE AL2

PSLE SCORE: 8

PLACEMENT OUTCOME	PSLE SCORE
EXPRESS	4 – 20
EXPRESS / N(A) OPTION	21 – 22
N(A)	23 – 24
N(A) / N(T) option	25
N(T)	26-30, with AL7 or better in both EL <u>and</u> MA



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Why are the AL Bands not even?

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AL bands and mark ranges are set based on the learning objectives of the curriculum, and mirror the way we learn:

- When we learn something new, after some initial practice, we often find ourselves improving significantly.
- But as we get better, the improvements become small steps, and finally, as we reach a high level, we inch just a little further, even after much learning and practice.

The ALs were designed to reflect this reality of learning. They help educators, students, and parents know how ready students are to access the curriculum at the next level.



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IN SUMMARY...

What remains

- Same 4 subjects are tested, and scores are awarded to guide students' choices for the next stage of their education journey
- Curriculum is continually updated. This is not related to the PSLE scoring and S1 posting changes.

What changes

- The T-score Aggregate will be replaced by the PSLE Score, to reduce the fine differentiation of our students at a young age based on exam scores.
- Students will be assessed based on their own achievement, instead of comparing them to their peers.

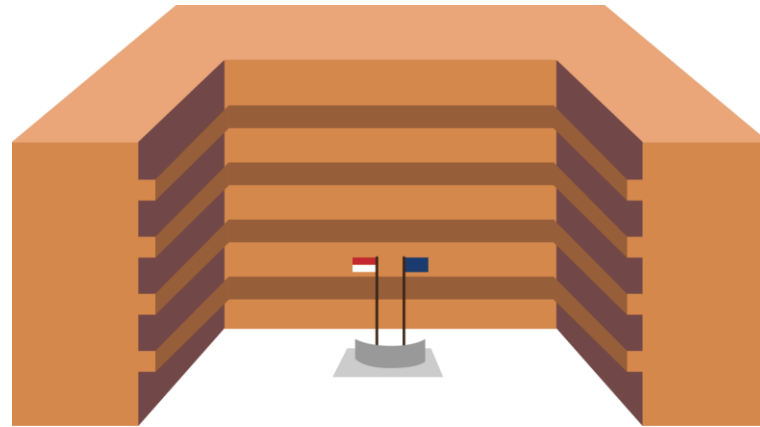


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HOW S1 POSTING WORKS



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CHOICE ORDER OF SCHOOLS WILL MATTER MORE

- Students will continue to be posted to a secondary school based on academic merit i.e. overall PSLE score.
- If two or more students with the same PSLE Score vie for the last remaining place in a school, tie-breakers will be used in the following order:
 1. CITIZENSHIP
 2. CHOICE ORDER OF SCHOOLS *(NEW for 2021 PSLE cohort onwards)*
 3. COMPUTERISED BALLOTING



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**SUBJECT-BASED
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OFFERING DIFFERENT
SUBJECT COMBINATIONS**



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Subject-Based Banding (Primary)

- Offers students the option of Standard and Foundation Subjects, depending on their strengths.
- Allow students to focus on and stretch their potential in the subjects they are strong in while building up the fundamentals in the subject they need more support in.
- The new PSLE scoring system will not change the considerations for deciding on a student's subject combination at P4/ P5.



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How Does Subject-Based Banding (Pri) Work?

- P4 – Student sits for school-based examinations & school recommends a subject combination based on the student's results; parents fill up an option form indicating the preferred combination
- P5 – Student takes subject combination chosen by parents; school assesses student's ability to cope with the current subject combination at the end of the year & makes adjustments to subject combination, if necessary
- P6 – Student takes subject combination decided by the school
- School will continue to recommend based on the following:
 - Student's aptitude, motivation and performance in each subject;
 - Student's ability to cope with a particular subject combination; and
 - Whether the subject combination focuses sufficiently on literacy and numeracy, and facilitates the student's articulation to secondary school and beyond.



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How Does Subject-Based Banding (Pri) Work?

- Offering subjects at Foundation level is **not a disadvantage to the students**. It enables them to focus on building up strong fundamentals in these subjects and better prepares them for progression to secondary school.



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FOUNDATION LEVEL SUBJECT GRADES TO BE LESS FINELY DIFFERENTIATED

- Under the new AL system, to reduce fine differentiation among students, Foundation subject grades will be graded in 3 scoring bands from AL A to C.
- Like Standard subject ALs, the Foundation subject ALs will reflect a student's level of achievement, rather than how they have performed relative to their peers.

Foundation Level AL Reflected on Result Slip	Foundation Raw Mark Range
A	75 – 100
B	30 – 74
C	< 30



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FOUNDATION LEVEL SUBJECT GRADES

- For the purpose of S1 posting, Foundation level AL A to AL C will be mapped to AL 6 to AL 8 of Standard level subjects respectively, to derive a student's overall PSLE Score.
- Similar to the current PSLE scoring system, this mapping is based on the learning and assessment load of the subjects, and informs students of their readiness to access the curriculum at the secondary level.

Foundation Level AL Reflected on Result Slip	Foundation Raw Mark Range	Equivalent Standard Subject AL	Standard Raw Mark Range
A	75 – 100	6	45-64
B	30 – 74	7	20-44
C	< 30	8	<20



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SCORING OF FOUNDATION SUBJECTS FOR S1 POSTING

- A student's PSLE Score is the sum of the four AL scores across his/her Standard and Foundation subjects.
- Students taking Foundation subjects are eligible for the Express Course, as long as they meet the course placement criteria.
- With Full Subject-based Banding in secondary schools, students may also take subjects at a higher level for those that they are strong in.

ENGLISH	AL3
FOUNDATION MOTHER TONGUE	ALB
FOUNDATION MATHEMATICS	ALB
SCIENCE	AL5
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- A memorable year
- Opportunities to build firm ties and friendships
- Sound values education
- Good preparation for academic challenges
- Experiences to prepare ACSJ students for life ahead



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