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Notice to Parent / Guardian

Circular No.:F404 /2026-2027

26th November, 2026

Dear Parent or Guardian:

GCSE Examination Fee

Non-Chinese speaking (NCS) school candidates who have satisfied the **specified circumstances** as stated in the Education Bureau Circular No. 19/2012 (the Circular) will, during their full-time senior secondary school years, be eligible for the "subsidised examination fee" for:

(a) **up to two entries** for any of the following examinations: the GCSE (Chinese) Examination, the IGCSE (Chinese) Examination and the GCE AS-Level (Chinese) Examination; and
(b) **up to two entries** for the GCE A-Level (Chinese) Examination.

The Education Bureau has decided with the HKEAA to reduce the examination fee for eligible NCS school candidates to a level on par with that of the Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education Examination (HKDSE) (Chinese Language). The examination fee of HKDSE is subject to annual review by the HKEAA.

Eligible NCS school candidates entering for the 2027 Pearson Edexcel GCE A-Level / IGCSE / GCSE and Cambridge IGCSE Chinese Examinations shall pay the "subsidised examination fee" (i.e. $808) on par with that of the 2027 HKDSE (Chinese Language) Examination while the Education Bureau will top up the difference in fees between this examination and the "subsidised examination fee" payable by school candidates. However, school candidates with financial needs, who are granted examination fee remission by the Student Finance Office (SFO) or from families receiving Comprehensive Social Security Assistance (CSSA), will be charged the lower subject fees applicable to candidates holding a Permanent HKIC.

Examination Fees (Cash)

Chinese Examination	Paper	Subsidised Examination Fee	Half Grant of School Textbook Assistance	Full Grant of School Textbook Assistance	CSSA Recipients
Pearson Edexcel GCSE	Paper 1, 2, 3, 4	$808	$404	$0	$808*

*For students under the CSSA Scheme, a receipt will be issued in around July 2027. Students can claim a reimbursement from the Social Welfare Department using that receipt.

Official HKEAA Terms & Conditions
1. No Refund & Non-Transferable
Once registration is submitted, no refund of examination fees paid will be arranged under any circumstances (including withdrawal, absence, or personal reasons), nor can the fee be transferred to another candidate, paper, or future examination session.
2. Declaration of Residency Status
The HKEAA charges the subsidised examination fee based on the candidate's original residency status declared at the time of registration. Even if a candidate obtains Hong Kong Permanent Resident status after submitting the registration, any difference in the examination fee already paid will NOT be refunded. Incorrect declaration may delay or invalidate the registration.

Please submit the following reply slip on or before 3/12/2026 (Thursday). If you have any inquiries regarding the above exam, please contact Ms. Ting Ning Oi or Ms. Cheung Po Lee at 2578 5984.

Ms. HO Yee-wan Yvonne
Principal

ST. JOAN OF ARC SECONDARY SCHOOL 聖貞德中學 HONG KONG

Fill you with all joy and peace by means of your faith in him. (Romans 15:13)

Reply Slip Circular No.: F404 /2026-2027

GCSE Examination Fee

Dear Principal,

I, the parent / guardian of _____ (*student's name*) (Class: _____ No: _____), acknowledge the receipt of the circular regarding 2027 GCSE Examination Fee, and will give the fee to participate in the examination.

- ☐ Pay the full Subsidised Examination Fee of $808. (Holding Permanent HKID / CSSA Recipients)
- ☐ Pay the half subsidised fee of $404. (SFO "Half" Grant Recipients)
- ☐ Pay $0. (SFO "Full" Grant Recipients)
- ☐ Will NOT register for the May/June 2027 Pearson Edexcel GCSE (Chinese) Examination.
  Reason: _____

Candidate Verification Details

Residency & Financial Assistance Status:

- ☐ Holder of Hong Kong Permanent Identity Card
- ☐ Holder of Non-Permanent HKID
- ☐ Recipient of CSSA
- ☐ Recipient of 2026/27 SFO Eligibility Certificate / Notification Letter
  (The eligibility supporting documents have been submitted to the school.)

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

Name of Parent/Guardian: _____

Emergency contact no.: _____

Date: _____