

FAQs for SASS e-Open House 2024

Admission

What is the AL score to enter SASS?

With reference from the 2024 cohort of Sec 1 students admitted to SASS, the AL scores for the various Posting Groups are as follows:

Posting Group	Affiliation (St Andrew's Junior School)	Non-Affiliation
3	22	10
2	25	21
1	28	26

Curriculum

What are the subjects offered at Upper Secondary level?

English Language, Mother Tongue (CL/ML/TL/HCL), Mathematics, Science (Phy/Chem/Bio) and Social Studies form the core subjects. Electives include Geography, History, Literature (English), Art, Music, Additional Mathematics, Principles of Accounts, Elements of Business Skills, Design & Technology, and Nutrition & Food Science.

The school does not offer Higher Malay or Higher Tamil Language. What should I do if my child/ward qualifies for Higher Malay or Higher Tamil Language?

Students who qualify to offer Higher Malay or Higher Tamil Language will be registered to attend lessons at the respective Language Centres designated by MOE. These lessons are conducted once to twice a week after curriculum hours. Higher Chinese Language is conducted within curriculum hours at SASS.

Student Well-being

How does the school support students' well-being?

Form Teachers conduct 1-to-1 conversations with students to understand their needs and concerns and provide social-emotional support to them. Students also have access to the school counsellors, school health advisor, education & career guidance counsellor, special educational needs officers and school chaplaincy team should they require additional support.

What is SASS's policy on the use of digital devices, such as handphones?

A Saint adheres to the school's mobile phone policy which serves to ensure that the mobile phone does not become a distraction to him while he is in school. A Saint exercises self-discipline and can regulate himself well. During lesson time, the phone must not be visible unless prior permission has been given by the teacher. If a phone is found to be visible regardless of whether it is in use, the phone will be confiscated. Mobile phones are only allowed to be used outside curriculum time and during recess at the canteen. Confiscated phones can only be retrieved from the General Office between 4:00pm and 5:00pm. The student takes responsibility to inform his parents if his phone is confiscated. He could inform his parents by using the telephone at the General Office.

How does the school deal with bullying?

The school takes all forms of bullying as a serious offence. For cases of bullying, various levels of actions will be taken commensurate with the offence.

How does the school share and build on Christian values for the students?

As a faith-based school, the school supports the nurturing of Christian values through platforms such as devotions at morning assembly, Chapel lessons, and events organised by School Chaplaincy.

Education and Career Guidance

How is career guidance done in SASS? How are students guided to make subject selection at Upper Secondary?

The Education and Career Guidance (ECG) programme at SASS is designed to support students in making informed decisions about their subject selection for upper secondary education and post-secondary pathways. The programme includes ECG lessons and hands-

on experiences such as Career Exploration and Subject Experience sessions, and visits to post-secondary institutions to gain a better understanding of future options.

Students are taught essential skills to engage with teachers, parents, and industry experts for guidance. They are introduced to useful tools like the MySkillsFuture portal to aid in career planning. Our ECG counsellor also conducts group and individual sessions to further support the students in their journey.

Overseas Immersion Trips

Do students get to travel overseas? How many students will be selected? What are the selection criteria?

Four overseas immersion trips are organised on a yearly basis to provide Secondary 3 students with the opportunity to travel to countries in Southeast Asia and China. The students will be invited to apply for an overseas immersion trip of their choice and interested students will attend an interview. Each trip may consist of 30-34 students accompanied by teachers.

CCAs

What is the CCA selection policy like? Will my child/ward have a choice?

Students will fill up a CCA selection form and rank their preferences from 1 to 6.

For Sports CCA, must my child/ward be on the school team? Are there vacancies for recreational purposes?

Our sports CCA programmes are thoughtfully designed to support both competitive athletes and recreational players. While we strive for excellence and high performance, we equally value nurturing a genuine interest in sports and fostering a lifelong love for physical activity among our students.

Can students take up more than one CCA?

Students are strongly encouraged to focus on one CCA to maximise their potential and excel in it. The rigour of secondary school CCAs is significantly greater compared to primary school, with training sessions held 2-3 times per week and the possibility of competitions taking place over weekends.

What is the DSA selection process like? When can we apply?

Information regarding the talent areas offered, DSA process and timeline will be published around May each year. Interested applicants may check our school website for updates, or refer to MOE's DSA webpage for more details.

USEFUL MOE LINKS

Subject-based Banding	https://www.moe.gov.sg/microsites/psle-fsbb/full-subject-based-banding/main.html	
DSA(Sec)	https://www.moe.gov.sg/secondary/dsa	
Transition to Secondary School	https://www.moe.gov.sg/secondary/transition-to-	
(Resource for Parents)	secondary	