FACTSHEET ON SELECTING JC / MI / POLYTECHNIC / ITE COURSES IN THE JOINT ADMISSIONS EXERCISE (JAE)

1. This factsheet is provided to assist secondary schools on interpreting the information on the JAE Form A for admission to Junior College (JC), Millennia Institute (MI), Polytechnic and Institute of Technical Education (ITE). The factsheet also contains important information on JAE registration, JAE posting and school transfer after the JAE. Additional information on the JAE can be found in the 2020 JAE Information Booklet.

2. Schools are advised to use this factsheet, together with the 2020 JAE Information Booklet, when briefing and counselling students.

3. Form A contains the JAE PIN, GCE 'O' Level Examination results, Aggregate scores and the Eligible Courses of each student.

4. All students successfully admitted to a school through Direct School Admission-JC (DSA-JC) / Polytechnic Early Admissions (Poly EAE) / ITE Early Admissions (ITE EAE) will not be able to participate in the JAE. Successful DSA-JC and Poly EAE students will receive their Form A that indicate the school they are admitted to. Successful ITE EAE students will be informed by ITE. They will report to the institution on the same day as those students taking part in the JAE.

A Eligibility for JC/MI Admission

5. To be eligible for admission to JC/MI, students must satisfy the admission criteria to JC and MI as shown in the 2020 JAE Information Booklet pages 30 & 31.

6. The Aggregate Type for JC Course is **L1R5** and MI Course is **L1R4**. The aggregate score computation for **L1R5** and **L1R4** is based on the aggregate computation table shown in the 2020 JAE Information Booklet page 26 and the Note on page 28.

7. Students who have met the entry requirements for admission to JC/MI will be eligible to register for JC/MI courses during the JAE registration period.

B Eligibility for Polytechnic Admission

- 8. To be eligible for Polytechnic courses, students must meet the following requirements:
 - Meet the entry requirements for admission to Polytechnic (i.e. 26 points¹ or better for the net ELR2B2 aggregate score²) and
 - b. Meet the minimum entry requirement (MER) for the Polytechnic course (i.e. minimum subject grades). Details of the MER of various polytechnic courses can be found in the JAE Information booklet).

9. Polytechnic courses are categorised by four Aggregate Types (i.e. ELR2B2-**A**, ELR2B2-**B**, ELR2B2-**C** and ELR2B2-**D**). The aggregate score computation for ELR2B2-**A**, ELR2B2-**B**, ELR2B2-**C** and ELR2B2-**D** is based on the aggregate computation table shown in the 2020 JAE Information Booklet page 27.

¹ With the exception of C97 (Nanyang Polytechnic Diploma in Nursing) and N69 (Ngee Ann Polytechnic Diploma in Nursing) courses where students require a net ELR2B2-C aggregate score of 28 points or better.

² Net ELR2B2 aggregate score includes CCA bonus point. Note that the aggregate scores shown in Form A are <u>before</u> CCA bonus point reduction.

10. The course codes listed on Form A indicate the courses that the student has met both the entry requirements for Polytechnic admission and the course MER. Students are eligible to register for these courses during the JAE registration period.

C Eligibility for ITE Admission

11. To be eligible for admission to *Higher Nitec* course, students must meet the following requirements:

- a. Sit for the GCE 'O' Level subjects shown in the ELB4, ELR1B3 & ELR2B2 ITE Courses Table (refer to 2020 JAE Information Booklet page 28) <u>and</u>
- b. Meet the minimum entry requirements (MER) for the *Higher Nitec* course (i.e. minimum subject grades). Details of the courses MER can be found in the JAE Information Booklet).

12. *Higher Nitec* courses are categorised by three Aggregate Types (i.e. ELB4-**A**, ELR1B3-**B** and ELR2B2-**C**). The aggregate score computation for ELB4-**A**, ELR1B3-**B** and ELR2B2-**C** is based on the aggregate computation table shown in the 2020 JAE Information Booklet page 28.

13. The course codes listed on Form A indicate the courses that the student has met both the entry requirements for admission to ITE and the course MER. Students are eligible to register for those courses during the JAE registration period.

D JAE Registration

14. The JAE registration period is tentatively from 3.00pm on 13 Jan 2020 to 4.00pm on 17 Jan 2020. Registration for courses under the JAE should be submitted through the JAE-IS using SingPass. Students who have not setup their SingPass accounts can visit any SingPass counters in-person. The counter locations and necessary document to bring for verification can be found at SingPass website (www.singpass.gov.sg). Alternatively students can access JAE-IS using the JAE PIN found in Form A. Students who are not eligible for SingPass can use the JAE PIN.

15. Students are advised to consider all their 12 course choices wisely. Students should refer to the 2020 JAE Information Booklet page 8 on the important points to note for registration of courses before they make their course choices.

16. JCs and MI offer a variety of subjects and different subject combinations. They may also set their own school-based criteria for subjects offered, based on professional and student-centric considerations. Posting to an Arts, Science or Commerce course does not guarantee that students will be able to offer their preferred subject combinations. Students should check the website of the respective JCs and MI for more details on the subject combinations offered in the Arts, Science and Commerce courses and school-based criteria for subjects offered.

17. Beyond academic requirements, students are also advised that some courses may require students to meet non-academic requirements, such as passing of medical examinations, in order to comply with industry requirements. These requirements can also be found in the JAE information booklet and students are advised to take these requirements into account when making their choices.

18. The L1R5 net aggregate and ELR2B2 net aggregates of the lowest ranked students who were admitted to the JC and polytechnic courses respectively through the 2019 JAE are meant to <u>serve only as a guide</u> and <u>do not</u> constitute the admission scores for subsequent admission exercises.

E JAE Posting

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19. At the end of the JAE registration, posting will commence and students will be posted to a course based on merit according to their net aggregate scores. A student with a better net aggregate score will be considered for admission first, subject to the availability of vacancies in the selected course. If there are no vacancies, then the student will be considered for his/her next choice course. More information on the posting procedure can be found in the 2020 JAE Information Booklet Page 11.

Appeal / Transfer After JAE Posting Results Release

20. Students who wish to appeal for a transfer to a JC may submit their appeals to JCs directly, though they would likely be unsuccessful if they have not met the course cut-off point for that year's JAE and do not present extenuating circumstances to merit a transfer. Eligible appeals will be given due consideration, subject to available vacancies and school's admission criteria.

21. Students who wish to appeal for a place in a Polytechnic or ITE *Higher Nitec* course may do so online through the combined Polytechnic and ITE *Higher Nitec* appeals portal at https://jaeappeal.edu.sg within 4 working days upon the official release of the JAE posting results. Students who were not posted to any course during the JAE are also encouraged to submit an appeal through this portal. Results of the appeal will also be released through this portal.

- a. At the end of the combined appeals period, all students who had not received any Polytechnic or ITE *Higher Nitec* posting to a course of their choice during the JAE Posting or JAE Appeals will be offered a place in an alternative Polytechnic or ITE course. Offers will be given based on students meeting the minimum entry requirements and aggregate score of the lowest ranked students who were admitted to these courses. This offer is intended to provide students an additional option for post-secondary education. Students who wish to appeal for a transfer to another course or institution should approach the institution directly.
- 22. More information can be found in the 2020 JAE Information Booklet Page 13 and 14.

G Alternative Admission Exercises for Polytechnic and ITE

23. Beside applying for polytechnic or ITE courses via the JAE, students can also apply for admission to a polytechnic or an ITE course via alternative admission exercises:

a. <u>To apply for a Polytechnic Course</u>

Students may participate in the Direct Admissions Exercise (DAE) conducted individually by the polytechnics. Students interested in participating in DAE should visit the relevant polytechnics' websites or contact the relevant polytechnics directly for more details. To find out more about the different polytechnic admissions exercises, please refer to the "Guide to Polytechnic Education" at <u>www.polytechnic.edu.sg</u>.

b. To apply for an ITE Course

Students may participate in the Joint Intake Exercise (JIE) for *Nitec* courses. For more information on JIE, students may visit ITE's website at <u>www.ite.edu.sg</u>.

H Post-Secondary Education Website (Beta)

24. MOE has redesigned the post-secondary education and admissions section of their website. Students can use the beta site to look for information on JAE, schools and courses offered by the institutions. Try it out at https://beta.moe.gov.sg/post-secondary.

