

## Polytechnic Foundation Programme Admissions Exercise (PFPAE) Quick Tips

## 1. Know the TP courses that you are eligible to apply

If you are eligible to apply for PFP, you will receive your Form P on the day of the release of Singapore-Cambridge GCE O Level examination results (in January).

Your Form P provides the following important information:

- Your PFP PIN for login to PFP website.
- Your raw ELMAB3 aggregate score.
- Your CCA Grade.
- List of course codes of courses that you are eligible to apply through PFPAE. The courses listed are those courses that you have met the minimum entry requirements based on your GCE N and/or O level results.
- a) Refer to TP website for more information on TP courses.
- b) Check if you meet the <u>medical requirements</u> of the courses, which can be related to colour vision, hearing and other medical conditions.
- c) If you have any enquiry on support for students with Special Educational Needs (SEN), please contact SEN Support Office at 6780 5959 or email <a href="mailto:care@tp.edu.sg">care@tp.edu.sg</a>.

### 2. Know your Net ELMAB3 Aggregate Score

a) Applicants who are active in their secondary school's Co-curricular Activities (CCA) can gain up to 2 CCA bonus points that are used to compute the net ELMAB3 aggregate score.

CCA Grade	CCA Bonus Points Awarded
Excellent	2 points
Good	1 point

Net ELMAB3 Aggregate Score = Raw ELMAB3 Aggregate Score – CCA Bonus Points

b) Posting to PFP courses will be based on the net ELMAB3 aggregate score, subject to the availability of the course vacancies.

# 3. Know the previous year's range of aggregate scores for each course

- a) The range of aggregate scores shown in <u>TP website</u> indicates the lowest and highest net ELMAB3 aggregate scores of the successful applicants posted to each course through the previous year's PFPAE. This information on aggregate scores is meant to be a reference to guide you in your selection. The range of aggregate scores give you an indication of the likely competitiveness for each course. Please note that the information on the previous year's ranges of aggregate scores is meant to be a guide only and do not constitute the admissions scores for subsequent admissions exercises.
- b) You may check out the previous year's aggregate scores at TP website.

## 4. Utilise all your 5 choices well

- a) You are given 5 choices in PFPAE. It is important to fully utilise all your 5 choices.
- b) For your top few choices for PFPAE, you may wish to select those TP courses that you are passionate about and for which your net ELMAB3 aggregate score is less than or equal to the previous year's highest aggregate score of the course or not too far above the highest score.
- c) To maximise the likelihood of being posted to a course of your PFPAE choices, you should ensure that, for some of your selected courses, your net ELMAB3 aggregate score falls below the previous year's highest aggregate scores of those courses.
- d) It is important to rank the courses in the order of your preference. Secondly, check that the order of your preference is generally consistent with how likely it is to get into the different courses. For example, you should consider that if you put as your 1st choice a course with previous year's highest aggregate score of 10 points, followed by some courses that had highest scores of 8 points and below as your subsequent choices, it is highly possible that if you are not posted to your 1st choice course, you will also not get the next few courses.

## 5. PFP Application Process

#### **Invitation to apply for PFP**

On the day of release of GCE O Level examination results (in January), eligible 4N(A) students will receive an invitation (Form P) to apply for PFP



#### **Submission of Online Application**

- 11 Jan 2024, 2pm to 16 Jan 2024, 4pm (tentative)
- Check eligibility (Form P) & Medical Requirements
- Submit application via <a href="PFP portal">PFP portal</a>



#### **Processing of Applications**

System posting to a course is based on merit and subject to availability of vacancies



#### **Acceptance & Rejection of Posting Results**

- Posting results will be released through <u>PFP portal</u> on 23 Jan 2024, 2pm (tentative)
- Successful applicants must indicate their acceptance/rejection of PFP course offer by 26 Jan 2024, 4pm (tentative).
- Applicants who wish to appeal for change of course can submit their appeal via the PFP portal
- Applicants who have rejected their PFP offer will remain in Secondary 5



#### **PFP Appeal**

- PFP applicants who had participated in the PFP application exercise may submit their appeal for a change of course through <a href="PFP portal">PFP portal</a> by 26 Jan 2024, 4pm (tentative)
- Successful appeal will **supersede** the initial PFP posted course
- System posting to a course is based on merit and subject to availability of vacancies
- Unsuccessful appellants may accept their initial PFP posted course (if any), or reject the offered course and remain in Secondary 5

#### **Enrolment to Posted TP Courses**

- Successful PFP applicants will receive their e-enrolment packages via email around end February/early March
- Complete the acceptance & enrolment online via <u>TP website</u> by the stipulated deadline stated on the enrolment notice
- Upload Medical Report and other documents as stated in the e-enrolment package



#### **PFP Appeal Outcome**

- Appeal outcome will be released through <u>PFP portal</u> on 2 Feb 2024, 2pm (tentative)
- Applicants must indicate their acceptance/rejection through PFP Portal by 6 Feb 2024, 4pm (tentative)
- Applicants who have rejected their PFP posted course will remain in Secondary 5

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