Dear Parents,

“New Academic Structure – Meeting Aspirations through Multiple Pathways”

Seminars for Parents of Students Studying in Secondary 6

The New Academic Structure (NAS) has been implemented since September 2009 and the first cohort of S6 students will take the Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education (HKDSE) Examination in this academic year. To help parents better understand the multiple pathways for students under the NAS, the Education Bureau (EDB) is going to hold four identical Parents’ Seminars in October 2011 (three will be conducted in Cantonese and one will be in English). The seminars are targeted at parents of S6 students, but students can also come along with their parents. The seminars will focus on the international recognition of the HKDSE, the arrangements on the HKDSE Examination, multiple pathways (including tertiary education opportunities), NAS and human resources.

Parents who wish to attend the captioned seminars are required to enrol individually and bring along the confirmation slips issued by EDB to the seminar.

Details of the 4 seminars to be conducted in Cantonese (1st-3rd) are as follows:

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<td>Tsuen Wan Town Hall (Auditorium) (72 Tai Ho Road, Tsuen Wan, N.T.)</td>
<td>Queen’s College (120 Causeway Rd, Causeway Bay, H.K.)</td>
<td>Queen Elizabeth School (187 Sai Yee Street, Mongkok, Kln.)</td>
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Subject: To help parents better understand the multiple pathways for students under the NAS

Content:
1. Multiple Pathways under NAS
2. The international recognition of the HKDSE and the arrangements on the HKDSE Examination
3. NAS and human resources and tertiary education opportunities
4. Q & A Session

Enrollment:
Please access [http://www.edb.gov.hk/parentstalks](http://www.edb.gov.hk/parentstalks) for enrolment details and individual enrolment (Code: 1105 or 1106 or 1107 or 1108).

Registration:
Registration will start on 21.09.2011 (Wednesday) (Seats are reserved on the first-come-first-served basis. Confirmation slips via e-mail or fax, serving as admission tickets, will be sent to successful applicants at least 3 days before the event.)

Please refer to the PowerPoint slides of the seminars to be uploaded onto the NAS Web Bulletin (http://www.edb.gov.hk/nas) if you are not able to attend it.

If Black Rainstorm Warning or Tropical Cyclone Signal No. 8 or above is in force at or after 3:30 p.m. on the event day, the respective seminar will be cancelled. If the government has announced that venues of the above seminars should be temporarily closed for cleaning to prevent the spread of influenza, the respective seminar will also be cancelled.