

Briefing Session on Diversity Learning Grant (DLG) *for the 4th Cohort of NSS Students*

Date: 24 April 2012 (Tuesday)
Time: 2:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Venue: Lecture Theatre
Kowloon Tong Education Services Centre

Programme

Time	Content	Speaker
2:30 – 2:40 p.m.	Registration	
2:40 – 3:10 p.m.	Briefing on the use of DLG and points to note for offering Other Languages (OL) and Other Programmes (OP)	Ms Winnie Leung Senior Curriculum Development Officer (Council and Secondary)
3:10 – 3:40 p.m.	Points to note for offering Gifted Education (GE) programme	Mr Wong Chung-po Senior Curriculum Development Officer (Gifted Education)
3:40 – 4:00 p.m.	Break	
4:00 – 4:15 p.m.	Point to note for offering Applied Learning (ApL) courses	Mr Cheung Chow-ming Senior Curriculum Development Officer (Applied Learning)
4:15 – 5:00 p.m.	Questions and Answers	All speakers

The New Senior Secondary Curriculum

Benefits

- Broad and balanced curriculum for whole-person development and lifelong learning
- More coherent and offer greater diversity and choice to suit the different needs, interests and abilities of students
- Provide smoother multiple pathways to higher education and the workplace so that every student has an opportunity to succeed in life

The New Senior Secondary Curriculum

Diversity Learning Grant – to enable and support schools to allocate resources to offer a diversified curriculum to match students' interests and aptitudes

Applied learning

- to enable students with aptitudes & interests in more practical learning to succeed in their studies, develop self-confidence & orientate themselves towards relevant further study and/or career

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Other Languages

- HK being a cosmopolitan city, should uphold tradition of providing access to other languages – meets specific language needs of all students
- to enable every student to play a meaningful part in HK life through study of Eng and Chin Lang as core subjects; students whose mother tongue is not Chin are encouraged to take NSS Chin Lang or some other overseas Chin curriculum with exam administered by HKEAA

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Other Programmes

- Collaboration with other schools to offer networked class in NSS subjects with low enrolment, but important to individual student programmes e.g. VA, Lit in Eng
- Programmes for gifted students
- Support for students with special educational needs studying in ordinary schools

All students learn under

“one curriculum framework for all”

Equal right to educational opportunities

DLG Overview

Aim

encourage schools to offer a diversified curriculum to students

Courses include

Applied Learning (ApL)

Other Languages (OL)

Other Programmes (OP)

DLG-CM (ApL)

- ApL courses for the 3rd cohort of NSS students available for 12/13 school year
- Separate CMs (EDBCM No. 14/2012 for ApL; EDBCM No. 32/2012 for ApL-adapted) invite application were issued in Jan 2012 and Mar 2012
- Separate briefing for ApL was conducted in Feb 2012

DLG-CM (OL & OP)

EDBCM No. 56/2012

**DLG for the Fourth Cohort of New Senior
Secondary Students**

Other Languages & Other Programmes
(from 2012/13 to 2014/15 school years)

DLG-ApL

- Applied Learning (ApL)
 - For S5-S6 (i.e. from 2012/13 to 2013/14 s.y.)
 - Subsidy of a maximum of **120 ApL enrolments** per cohort per school
 - *For the **first 10 enrolments** of each school*, the level of grant per student per course is
 - **100%** of the average course fee of the ApL courses enrolled by ALL students of the school as a whole
 - For the ***remaining 110 enrolments***, the level of grant per student per course is
 - **75%** of the average course fee of the ApL courses enrolled by ALL students of the school as a whole
 - with a subsidy ceiling of \$8,330 per student per course

DLG-ApL

Average Course Fee

- Average course fee means average fee of all the ApL courses enrolled by that particular cohort of students in the school
- Will be further analysed in the ApL presentation which will be conducted at a later stage

DLG-OL

- \$3,500 per NSS student per year
- AS-Level French, German, Japanese, Spanish, Hindi and Urdu
- Offered by the Cambridge International Examination (CIE) and administrated by the HKEAA
- Students have to register for CIE, otherwise the students will NOT be subsidised

DLG-OL

Links of the AS Level CIE

- CIE (from HKEAA):
http://www.hkeaa.edu.hk/en/IPE/gce_gcse_i_gcse/gce/index.html
- CIE Website: <http://www.cie.org.uk/>
- Cambridge International AS Level Subjects:
<http://www.cie.org.uk/qualifications/academic/uppersec/alevel>

DLG-OL

Statistics of OL for 1st, 2nd & 3rd cohorts in 11/12 s.y.

- Number of School involved: 43
- Number of Students taking Other Languages: 1390

Number of 1 st , 2 nd & 3 rd cohorts of NSS students (S4, S5 & S6) taking OL:	
French	600
German	0
Hindi	58
Japanese	567
Spanish	111
Urdu	54

DLG-OP

- Other Programmes (OP)
 - \$7,000 per NSS class per year
 - Gifted Education programmes
 - School-based pull-out or off-site support and/or
 - Network programmes

DLG-OP

Network Programmes

- NSS subjects
- School-based Assessment (SBA)
conducted by qualified subject teachers
- Inform HKEAA of the network programmes
arrangement

DLG-OP

Network Programmes in 11/12 s.y.

	1 st Cohort	2 nd Cohort	3 rd Cohort	Total
No. of Schools	66 54 Aided Schools 3 Govt. Schools 2 DSS 7 Special Schools	75 59 Aided Schools 10 Govt. Schools 2 DSS 4 Special Schools	112 91 Aided Schools 12 Govt. Schools 6 DSS 3 Special Schools	128 102 Aided Schools 13 Govt. Schools 6 DSS 7 Special Schools
No. of Groups	29	32	54	115
No. of Subjects	11 Chi. Lit., DAT, ERS, HMSC, ICT, IS, Music, PE, T&L, THS, VA	11 Chemistry, Chi Hist, Chi Lit, DAT, ERS, HMSC, ICT, Music, PE, THS, VA	17 BAFS, Biology, Chi Hist, Comb.Sci(B&S), Comb.Sci(P&C), DAT, Econ, ERS, History, HMSC, ICT, Music, PE, Physics, T&L, THS, VA	19 BAFS, Biology, Chi Hist, Chi Lit, Combine Sci (B&C), Combine Sci (P&C), DAT, Econ, ERS, History, HMSC, ICT, IS, Music, PE, Physics, T&L, THS, VA

DLG-OL & OP(NP)

Modes of delivery

- Deploying teacher(s) in their own school
- Obtaining services from course providers

[having lessons in the school premises

(or) course providers' venues

(or) deploying teacher(s) to teach in other network school(s)]

DLG -OL & OP

Use of DLG-OL & OP

- For the procurement of services or employment of teachers for running the programmes
- For the purchase of consumables, learning and teaching materials and educational software packages
- For organising extra-curricular activities for the effective learning of the language subject offered
- For employment teaching assistant to share out the additional teaching load directly or indirectly arising from offering these programmes.
- Schools are free to allot the funding for Other Programmes to provide both gifted education programmes and network programmes or just one of the programmes to their senior secondary students.

DLG-OL & OP

Hiring Outside Services, Purchases and Staff Appointment

- Aided schools:
 - EDBC No. 15/2007 on Tendering and Purchasing Procedures.
- DSS & Caput schools:
 - Refer to EDB Circular No. 15/2007
- DSS schools:
 - Should read circular letter on “Financial Management in Direct Subsidy Scheme Schools” dated 21 November 2007.
 - EDBC No. 4/2010
- Government Schools:
 - SPR
- DLG should cover all appointment related expenditures including salaries, leave entitlement and related benefits such as Mandatory Provident Fund and any other statutory benefits conferred by the Employment Ordinance.

DLG-OL & OP

Accounting Arrangement

- The arrangement on restricting the use of DLG-OL and DLG-OP to a specific cohort has been removed
- The funding of DLG is not transferrable among different categories
- Unspent balance of each category of DLG above the “capped amount” will be clawed back at 31 Aug each year for non-government schools
- Separate allocation for the unspent balance brought forward capped by the total allocation of the preceding financial year will be provided to government schools

DLG-OL & OP

Application Procedures

Appendix IV

Application Form for the Diversity Learning Grant
for the Fourth Cohort of NSS Students (from 2012/13 to 2014/15 school year)

Please return the application form to the Council and Secondary Section, Curriculum Development Institute, Education Bureau, Room 13/F, Wu Chung House, 213 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong by post OR by fax (2573 5299), on or before 30 June 2012.

SCHOOL INFORMATION

School No.							School Type#	Special	Aided	Govt	DSS	Caput
School Name	(English)						(中文)					

Name

Telep

CON

Cont

Post

PRO

On or Before 30 June 2012

<input type="checkbox"/> *	Other Language (e.g. French)	Name of the Subject (e.g. French)	Anticipated no. of students taking the course/subject	Mode of Delivery (School Teacher/ Other Organisation(please specify))
<input type="checkbox"/> *	Gifted Education Programmes	<input type="checkbox"/> *	School-based pull-out programme	
		<input type="checkbox"/> *	Off-site support programme	

DLG

Payment and Accounting Arrangement for the 4th cohort

	Aided	Special School	Caput	DSS	Government
Disbursement	August 2012				August 2012
Adjustment	December 2012				April 2013
Disbursement	August 2013				August 2013
Adjustment	December 2013				April 2014
Disbursement	August 2014				August 2014
Adjustment	December 2014				April 2015
Deficit arrangement	Surplus of the General Domain of the OEBG/ EOEBG		Surplus of Fee Subsidy/ DSS Subsidy		Surplus of the ES&CBG
Claw back/ lapse	31 August of each year (unspent balance of each category above the “capped amount”)				31 March (end of each financial year)

DLG

3-year Plan

- Broaden subject choices for students
- Endorsed by their SMC/IMC
- As a separate document instead of an annex of the school's annual plan/ school development plan
- Uploaded onto school's homepage before the end of **November 2012**

A Sample of the 3-year Plan

Three-year plan -- Measures to broaden students' choices of elective subjects and provision of gifted education programmes for the fourth cohort of senior secondary students (from 2012/13 to 2014/15 school year)

The following programmes are adopted with the support of EDB's Diversity Learning Grant (DLG):

DLG funded Programme(s)	Strategies & benefits (e.g. in diverse)	Name of	Duration of	Target	Estimated no. of	Evaluation of student access indicators	Teacher-in-charge		
Other Languages	To enhance competence Century chance educat					will take the examination the Cambridge al Examinations stered by the	French teacher		
Other Programmes	(Network In view of stud this ne with X to cater needs					will take the examination	Jointly organised with XXX school		
	(Gifted Education Prog.) To enhance students debating skills and public speaking skills	Intensive training course for aspiring debaters	4 lessons	S5 elite students in the debating team	5-10	5-10	---	Students will improve their skills in debate and public speaking	Tutor from other organisation

Upload before end of November 2012
No need to submit to EDB

Remarks: This is an example for the reference of schools only. Schools are encouraged to develop their own 3-year plans by including other strategies / tasks as appropriate to cater for the learning needs of their students and align with the vision of the schools.

Enquiry

■ www.edb.gov.hk/nas/en or

General enquiry	Ms Joanne WONG	2892 6339
ApL	Ms Ada CHAN	3698 3165
ApL (ID)	Ms KUK Yuet-kuen	2892 6524
Other Languages	Ms Joanne WONG	2892 6339
Other Programmes: - Network Programmes	Ms Joanne WONG (Network Prog.)	2892 6339
- Gifted Education Programmes	Mr WONG Chung-po (Gifted Edu. Prog.)	3698 3473



Thank You