

## Kranji Secondary DSA Webinar

For 2024 Sec 1 Intake 5 May 2023





# About Kranji Secondary





WHAT WE WANT TO BE...

SCHOOLVISION

Leaders with a heart to serve

Thinkers with the drive to excel

SCHOOLMISSION

Serving with heart, values and purpose to bring out the best in every child



WHAT WE VALUE...

Responsibility

Integrity

Resilience

Compassion

Respect

Passion for Learning

WHAT WE BELIEVE IN... SCHOOLPHILOSOPHY

Every child can learn

Holistic development of each child

Teaching with passion and conviction

Preparing students for future challenges

The Kranji Identity



Thinker . Leader . Champion Fig.

WHAT WE SAY TO ONE ANOTHER...

**BREAKTHROUGH** 

Developing students who embrace a spirit of innovation that allows them to thrive in the 21st century



Applied Learning Programme

Design Innovation for Sustainable

Living



THE THINKER

Winner of 2022 CIN Schools
Award School of the Year
(Sec/JC category)





### Learning for Life Programme

THE LEADER

Nurturing a
Leader in Every
Kranjian through
Community and
Youth
Leadership

# DSA in Kranji Secondary





### What is DSA-Sec?

- Enables students to apply to some schools based on their aptitude in certain talent areas such as Sports, Performing Arts, Specific Academic areas and Leadership before taking PSLE.
- If your child is admitted to a secondary school through DSA-Sec, they will not have to participate in the Sec 1 Posting exercise.
- Students admitted through the DSA-Sec Exercise are also not allowed to:
  - Transfer to another school. To honour their commitment to the selected school.



## Studying in Kranji Secondary

- Admitted into secondary school through three Posting Groups Posting Groups 1, 2, and 3.
- Flexibility to adjust their subject levels at appropriate junctures, based on their strengths, interests and learning needs.
- Grouped into **mixed form classes** comprising students from different Posting Groups and will have opportunities to interact and learn with peers of different backgrounds, strengths, and interests.

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4 - 20	3	G3
21 and 22	2 or 3	G2 or G3
23 and 24	2	G2
25	1 or 2	G1 or G2
26 - 30 (with AL 7 in EL and MA)	1	G1





## What is Kranji Offering for DSA?

Category		Talent Area		
Sports and Games	(i) (ii) (iii)	Basketball (Girls and Boys) NEW! Football (Boys) Badminton (Girls and Boys) NEW!		
Performing Arts	(i) (ii) (iii) (iv)	Concert Band Chinese Dance Modern Dance Choir NEW!		
Language and Humanities		Humanities		
Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM)		Science		
Leadership and Uniformed Groups		Leadership		



### **Sports and Games**

- Strong interest and talent in the following sports beyond the abilities of students in the same age group
- Conduct: Good and above
- Representation in sports-related competitions preferred (but not compulsory)



### **Sports and Games**

#### **Programmes:**

- National School Games
- Inter School Friendly Games
- External Competitions
- CCA camps

#### **Achievements:**

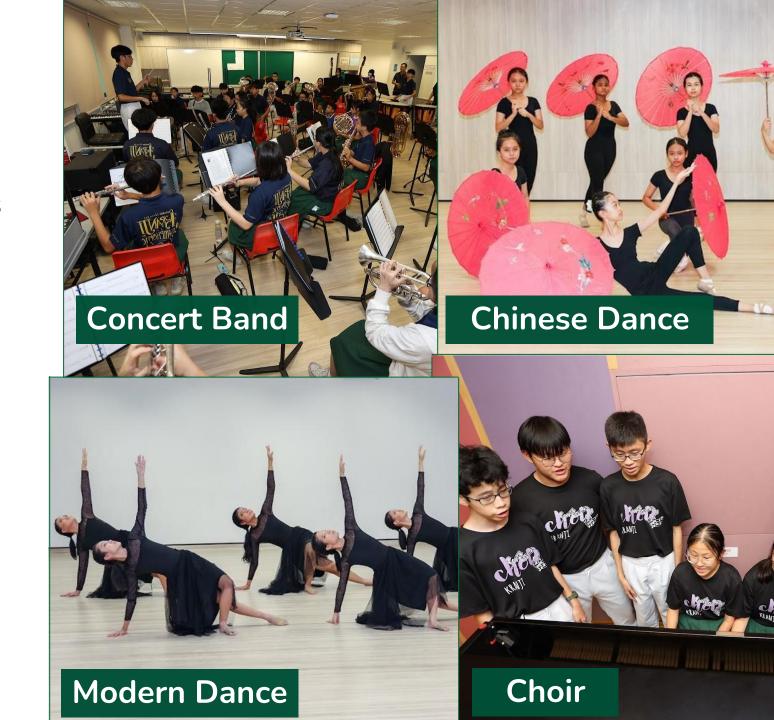
- Basketball: 2022 NSG West Zone B Div (Girls) – 2<sup>nd</sup> Runner Up 2023 NSG Group Stage
- Football (Boys):
   2022 NSG West Zone B Div 2<sup>nd</sup> Runner Up
   2023 NSG B Div Round 2
- Badminton:
   2022 NSG C Div (Girls) Quarter-Finals
   2023 NSG B & C Div (Girls) Quarter-Finals





### Performing Arts

- Strong interest and talent in relevant areas beyond the abilities of students in the same age group
- Conduct: Good and above
- Representation in performing artsrelated competitions preferred
- Qualification(s) in music/dance/singing preferred (but not compulsory)





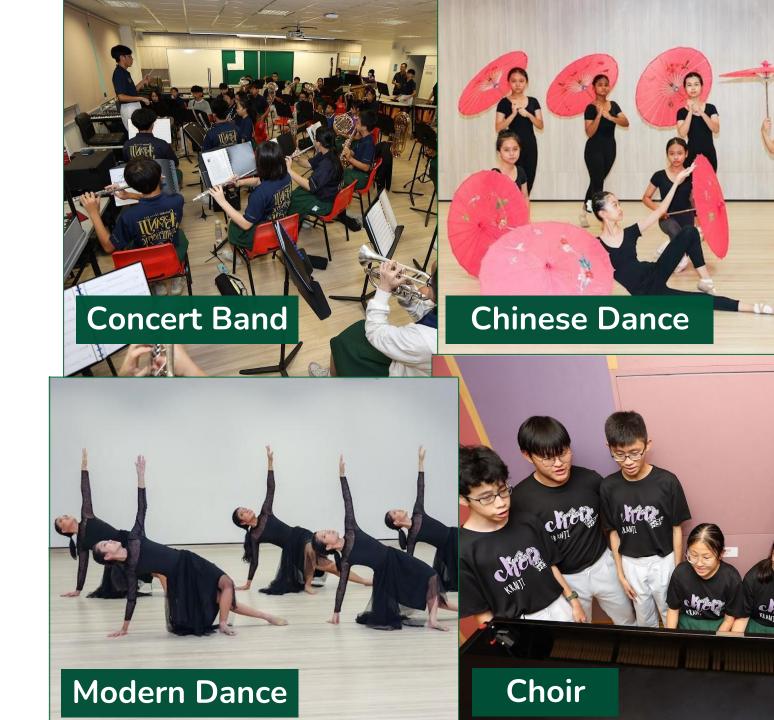
## **Performing Arts**

#### **Programmes:**

- Inter-school exchanges
- School-based performances
   (Dance concerts, Band recitals)
- Workshops

#### **Achievements:**

- Modern Dance: 2023 SYF Distinction
- Chinese Dance: 2023 SYF Distinction
- Choir: 2023 SYF Distinction
- Concert Band: 2023 SYF Distinction
- Drama: 2023 SYF Accomplishment\*





### Humanities

#### Criteria:

- Strong interest and talent in Humanities beyond the abilities of students in the same age group.
- Consistent high academic achievements in relevant subjects (English).
- Conduct: Good and above
- Representation in related competitions will be preferred

#### **Key Programmes:**

- School exchanges with partner school in Okinawa, Japan
- Model United Nations Conference

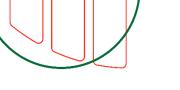
#### **Achievements:**

- National Youth Environment Conference 2023: 3 students awarded Honourable Mention
- NUS Geography Challenge 2023: 2 students awarded Silver









### Science

#### Criteria:

- Strong interest and talent in Science beyond the abilities of students in the same age group.
- Consistent high academic achievements in relevant subjects (Science).
- Conduct: Good and above
- Representation in related competitions will be preferred

#### **Key Programmes:**

- Developing Science research & innovation skills
- Singapore Science Engineering Fair (SSEF)
- Youth STEM Empowerment Programme (YSEP)

#### **Achievements:**

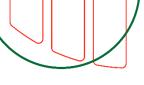
- 23rd International Elementz Science Fair: 4 students awarded Silver
- Youth Science Ambassador Programme: 1 student awarded the Amazon Future Engineer Bursary Award
- Singapore Science & Engineering Fair 2023: Merit





#### Science & Technology Club





### Leadership

#### Criteria:

- Key appointments and/or active involvement in:
  - student leadership bodies and/or
  - CCAs, and/or
  - o community service.
- Applicant must have a conviction to make a positive difference to benefit others and/or show the ability to rally the support of others to strive towards a common goal.
- Conduct: <u>Very good</u> and above.
- Be selected through an interview and performance task if shortlisted.

#### **Key Programmes:**

 SPARK Leadership Programme consisting of leadership mentoring, training and portfolio creation

#### **Accomplishments:**

• 3 students attained the Northwest CDC All-Round Excellence Awards in 2021 and 2022





# DSA Timeline

Application
4 May to
31 May

Trials & Auditions
26 Jun to
11 Sep

School Preference Submission (SPS)

23 Oct to 27 Oct

Results Release

Late November

For more information on DSA-Sec, please refer to the MOE website: <a href="https://www.moe.gov.sg/dsa-sec">https://www.moe.gov.sg/dsa-sec</a>



### **Selection Trials**

- Trials and interview will be conducted in person.
- Students who are on MC will be rescheduled for their trials and interview.
- Trial Tasks:
  - Showcase skills in the relevant talent area / portfolio
  - Interview
  - More Information about trial tasks will be disseminated via email for shortlisted applicants





Kranji Secondary maintains a holistic approach to all students. To further support our DSA talents, the following are in place:

#### **Academic Support**

- Monitoring and tracking of student progress
- Instructional Programme Coaching

#### **Non-Academic Support**

- Workshops specific to talent areas (e.g. Leadership Camp, SPARK programme)
- Exposure to array of competitions

Participation in such competitions and workshops are still dependent on merit





Category	Talent Area	<b>Expected Commitment</b>	
Sports and Games	(i) Basketball (Girls and Boys) (ii) Football (Boys) (iii) Badminton (Girls and Boys)		
Performing Arts	(i) Concert Band (ii) Chinese Dance (iii) Modern Dance (iv) Choir	Student enrolled into the related CCA for 4 or 5 years	
Language and Humanities			
Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics	Science		
Leadership and Uniformed Groups	Leadership	<ul> <li>Student is:         <ul> <li>required to initiate school/</li> <li>community involvement projects</li> <li>e.g. VIA</li> </ul> </li> <li>enrolled into SPARK Leadership programme in Sec 1</li> </ul>	





# Common FAQ

Question #1: How many Talent Areas can I apply for in the same school? Does it also mean that if I am rejected for one Talent Area in the School, I will also be automatically rejected for the second?

#### Response:

- •Each student can apply for at most 2 talent areas with the same school.
- •Application into each talent area is deemed as unique. The outcome of each application is independent of each other. Hence one outcome will not impact/influence the other.





Question #2: If students are eligible for 2 streams, Posting Group 1 and Posting Group 2, which can they select? Can they select the more demanding stream, even though we do not meet the academic merits? What happens if they do not select the Posting Groups?

#### Response:

Successful DSA-Sec students will see their eligibilities or Posting Group options in the S1 Option Form (if applicable).

They may submit their options via the S1 Internet System during the S1 school choice submission period.

Those who are eligible for 2 Posting Groups but do not make any option will be given the more academically-demanding Posting Group offered by the school.

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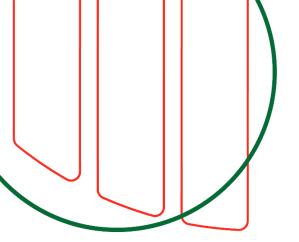


# Question #3: If my child struggles to cope with the demands of the academics, how can the school support my child in his/her learning?

#### **Response:**

- •He/She will be supported through Instructional Programme Coaching (IP Coaching) by his/her subject teachers in the weaker topics in a timely manner.
- •He/She could also be pair with a more proficient student in class to further guide the child in his/her learning of the subject.
- •Class Mentors will also check in with the child from the angle of Emotional Support to further support the child.
- •During this period, Subject Teachers and Class Mentors will get into contact with his/her parents as well, to develop plans collectively on supporting the child at home through methods such as generating a timetable for self-revision.





## **THANK YOU!**



