



## **Direct School Admission (DSA) Exercise 2025 Community and Youth Leadership** (For Admission to Secondary 1 in 2026)

At St Gabriel's Secondary School, our mission is to shape lives for Service to God and Nation by nurturing each of our student to be a Servant Leader, Lifelong Learner and Gracious Citizen. We provide every Gabrielite with a robust and holistic experience which would equip them with 21<sup>st</sup> century skills at the end of their 4 or 5 years. Our Gabrielites will become a confident person, active contributor, concerned citizen and a self-directed learner.

We welcome students who have made a difference in the area of his strength as they lead through serving.

### **Direct School Admission – Secondary (DSA-Sec) Exercise**

1. The DSA-Sec Exercise was introduced by the Ministry of Education in 2004. It seeks to promote holistic education and provide students an opportunity to demonstrate a more diverse range of achievements and talents in seeking admission to a secondary school. The selection will be based on their achievements and talents before the Primary School Leaving Examination (PSLE) results are released.
2. Primary 6 students have a choice of whether or not to participate in the DSA-Sec Exercise. If they choose not to participate in the DSA-Sec Exercise, they will continue to participate in the Secondary One Posting Exercise after the release of the PSLE results. For more information on the DSA-Sec Exercise, refer <https://www.moe.gov.sg/admissions/direct-admissions/dsa-sec>
3. Applicants who do not have prior experience may also apply. The school will assess applicants based on the selection criteria, which may include assessing the potential of the applicants. Please take note that meeting all the criteria does not guarantee the student will be shortlisted/given an offer.

#### **A. DSA-Sec Admission Criteria**

1. Leadership:  
Student who has made an impact in his school or CCA by demonstrating leadership through service and contributions.
2. Good Conduct:  
Student must have at least achieved a 'Good' conduct grade.

3. Students with talent can apply for Direct School Admission through one of the following Talent Areas:

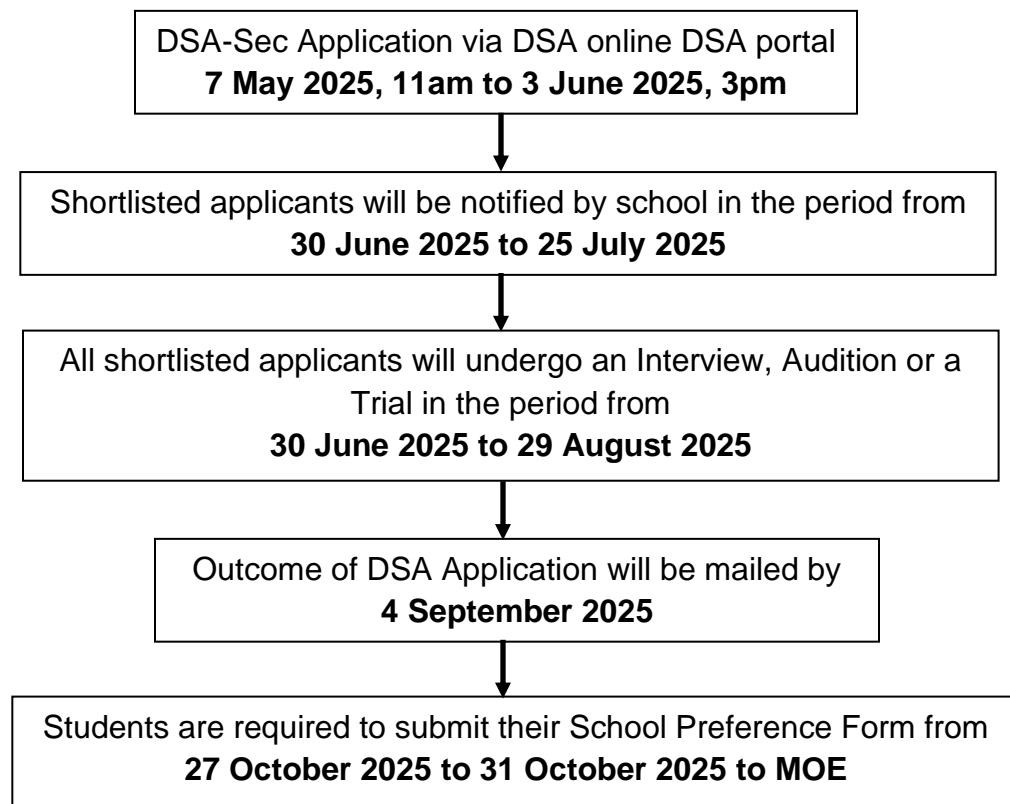
<b><u>Categories</u></b>	<b><u>Talent areas</u></b>	<b><u>Impact, Service &amp; Contributions</u></b>	<b><u>Selection Process</u></b>
<b>Sports</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Badminton</li> <li>• Floorball</li> <li>• Football</li> <li>• Golf</li> <li>• Judo</li> <li>• Softball</li> <li>• Table Tennis</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Has participation in competitions/ performances</li> <li>• Preferably has attained some achievements, including zonal, national competitions</li> <li>• Demonstration of key skills relevant to the CCA</li> </ul>	Performance Task* / Interview for shortlisted applicants (June-August)
<b>Uniformed Groups</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NCC Air</li> <li>• NCC Land</li> <li>• NPCC</li> <li>• Red Cross Youth</li> <li>• Scouts</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Leading a positive school culture through service (e.g. prefects, class chairpersons, CCA leaders)</li> <li>• Demonstrated exemplary character and leadership</li> </ul>	Interview for shortlisted applicants (July-August)
<b>Performing Arts &amp; Clubs</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Debate Club</li> <li>• Concert Band</li> <li>• Drama Club</li> <li>• Guitar Ensemble</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Has participation in competitions/ performances</li> <li>• Demonstration of key skills relevant to the CCA</li> </ul>	Audition Task* / Interview for shortlisted applicants. (June-August)

*\* All shortlisted applicants will be informed on the details of Performance Tasks and Audition Tasks at least 1 week before actual Trial/interview/Audition date.*

## B. Application Procedure

1. Application for DSA-Sec can be submitted through the online DSA-Sec Portal. The application is free-of-charge and will be open from **7 May 2025, 11am to 3 June 2025, 3pm**. For more details, please refer to MOE website – [www.moe.gov.sg/dsa-sec](http://www.moe.gov.sg/dsa-sec).
2. Parents and students are encouraged to choose schools wisely based on the student's aptitudes and strengths, bearing in mind the schools' academic and non-academic requirements, and the programmes available to develop the area of talent.
3. All shortlisted applicants **will be notified by the school by 25 July 2025** to attend an interview, trial or audition. All applicants will receive their application outcomes between 25 August and 4 September 2025.

## C. DSA-Sec Application Flowchart



## **D. Important Information To Note**

1. Successful DSA-Sec students are **NOT** allowed to participate in the Secondary One Posting Exercise to opt for secondary schools.
2. Parents and students are encouraged to choose schools wisely based on the student's aptitudes and strengths, bearing in mind the schools' academic and non-academic requirements, and the programmes available to develop the area of talent.
3. Students who are successfully admitted to the school via DSA are expected to honour their commitment to the school and participate in the activities related to the talent they have selected for from year 1-4.

## **E. FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

### **1. How do I apply?**

Application for DSA-Sec can be submitted through the online DSA-Sec Portal.  
(<https://www.moe.gov.sg/dsa-sec>)

### **2. Are there any specific selection criteria?**

The applicant must be a member of a school's CCA and has made an impact in his CCA or to the school through his service and contributions.

### **3. When and how will I know the results of my application?**

All applicants will be informed of the results of their application by post by **4 September 2025**.

### **4. What are the CCAs offered in St. Gabriel's Secondary that will develop Servant Leaders?**

We have a comprehensive Student Leadership Development for all students in SGSS. They will be able to apply the leadership practices they have learned in all their encounters in school, including and especially in their CCAs. We have 5 Uniformed Groups CCAs (NPCC, NCC Air, NCC Land, Red Cross Youth & Scouts), 7 Physical Sports CCAs (Badminton, Floorball, Football, Softball, Judo, Golf & Table Tennis) and 4 Visual & Performing Arts and Club CCAs (Concert Band, Drama Club, Guitar Ensemble and Debate Club) for students to contribute to and serve in.

### **5. My child is not studying in MOE mainstream primary school. What is the application procedure?**

Any applicants not studying in MOE mainstream primary schools should apply for a Registration Number (RGxxxxxxx) before they can apply through the DSA-Sec Portal. You may refer to MOE website at: <https://go.gov.sg/nmsdsa-sec-application> for more information.

All International Students are also required to take part in the Admissions Exercise for International Students (AEIS) before they are considered for DSA-Sec allocation.

International Students must pass AEIS and qualify for the course which the school offers to be considered for DSA-Sec allocation