

# Parents' Briefing on Secondary 3 Normal Academic Subject Combination

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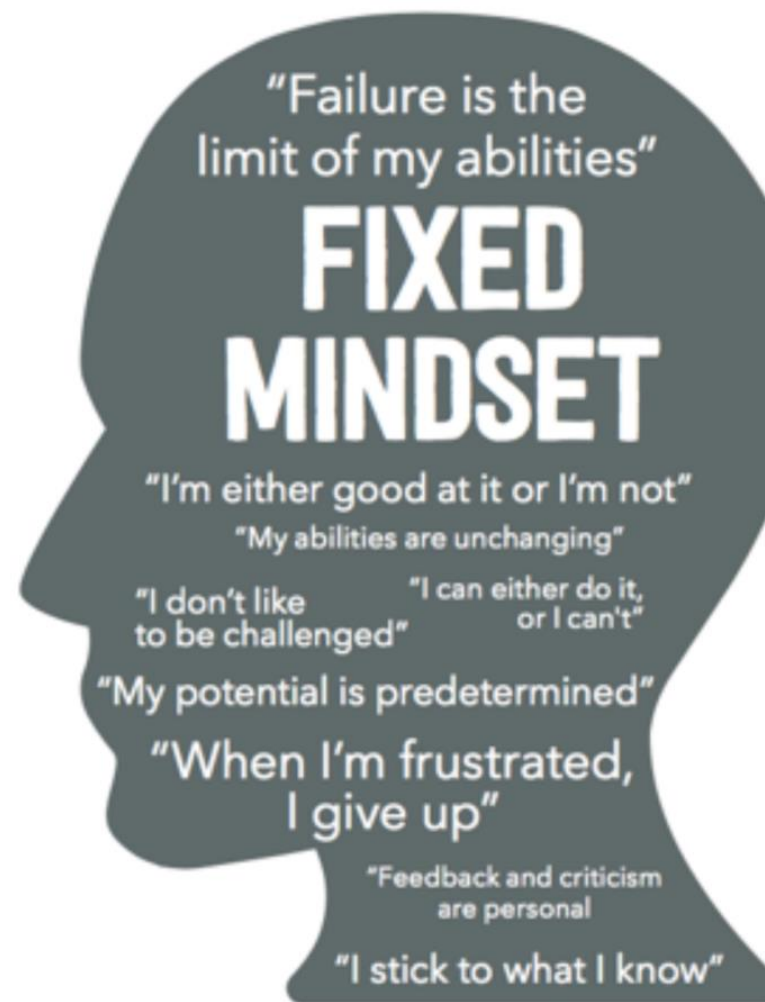
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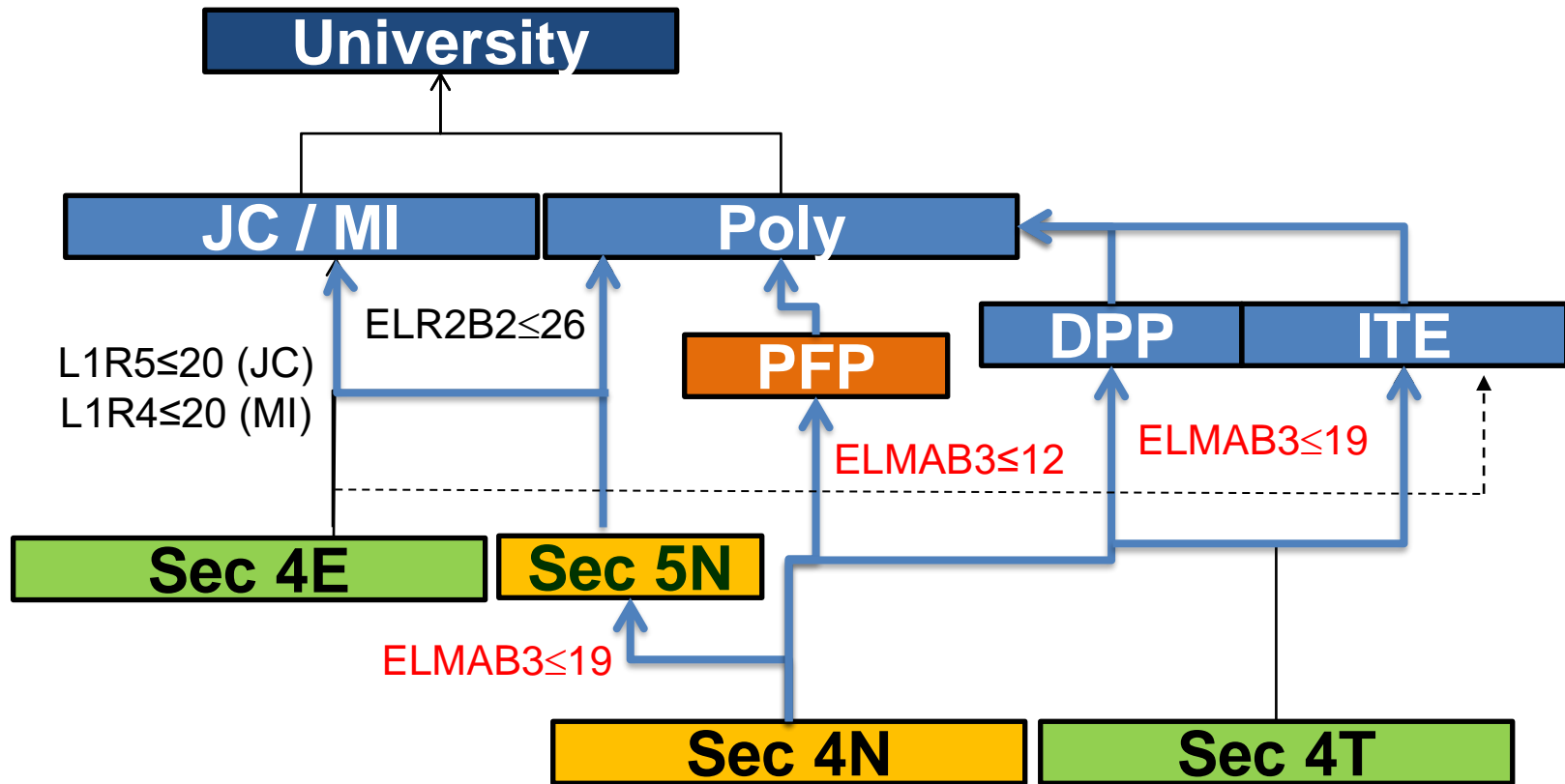
# Criteria for Promotion to Sec 3 NA

		Criteria
<b>Sec 2 Normal (Academic)</b>	Transferred to 3 Express	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Met minimum attainment level <u>and</u></li> <li>• Minimum of 70% in the overall percentage of all subjects combined</li> </ul>
	Promoted to 3 Normal (Academic)	At least Grade 5 or better in <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• English and 2 other subjects, <u>or</u></li> <li>• At least 4 subjects</li> </ul>
	Retained at 2 Normal (Academic)	Has not met minimum attainment level Note: Below maximum age

# What does your child need?



# Post-Secondary Education Pathways



Note: some courses have additional specific subject requirements

# Progression opportunities for Sec 4 N(A)

- Sec 4 N(A) students have the following progression opportunities:



**Polytechnic  
Foundation  
Programme (PFP)**



**Direct-Entry-Scheme  
to Polytechnic  
Programme (DPP)**



**Nitec Courses**



**Secondary 5 N(A)**

- To apply for any of the programmes above, students must **satisfy the minimum entry requirements of the specific programmes.**
- A **strong foundation in literacy, numeracy and reasoning** would ensure students are **better prepared** for these progression pathways.
- **Therefore, students are encouraged to deepen their knowledge in English, Mathematics and Science.**

# Progression opportunities for Sec 4 N(A)

## ELMAB3

(**EL** + **Ma**ths + **B**est **3**)

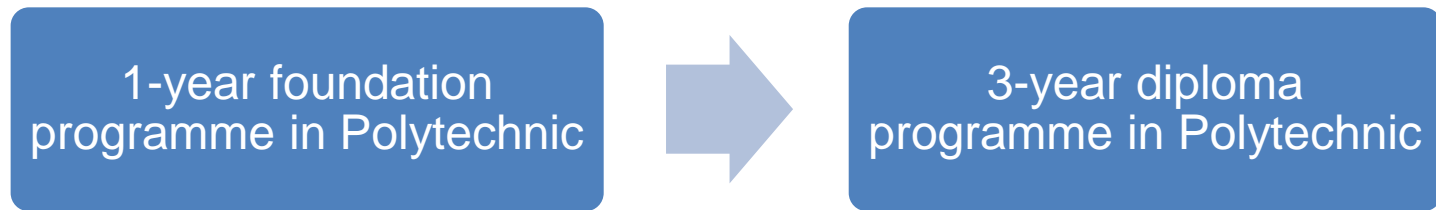
- English (EL)
- Mathematics (MA)
- Best 3 subjects (B3)



# Progression opportunities for Sec 4 N(A)

## Additional pathways for 4NA since 2013

- Polytechnic Foundation Programme (PFP)



- Direct-Entry-Scheme to Polytechnic Programme (DPP)

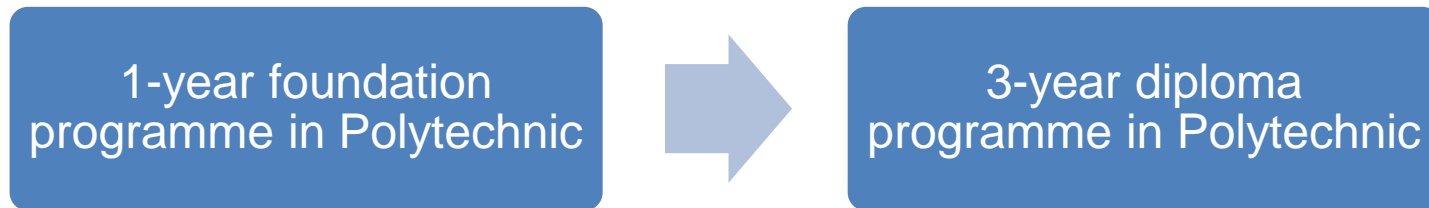




# Progression opportunities for Sec 4 N(A)

## Additional pathways for 4NA since 2013

- Polytechnic Foundation Programme (PFP)



<https://pfp.polytechnic.edu.sg/PFP/index.html>

### Criteria

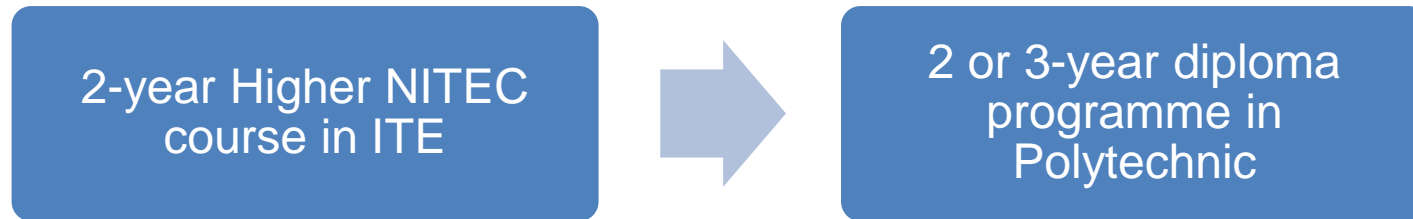
- $\text{ELMAB3} \leq 12$  (excluding CCA bonus points)
- $\text{EL} \leq 3$  or  $\text{EL} \leq 2$  (for certain courses: Business & Management, Media & Design, Humanities)
- $\text{MA} \leq 3$
- Other three subjects (excluding CCA)  $\leq 3$



# Progression opportunities for Sec 4 N(A)

## Additional pathways for 4NA since 2013

- Direct-Entry-Scheme to Polytechnic Programme (DPP)



<https://www.ite.edu.sg/wps/portal/definitely-des>

### Criteria

- $\text{ELMAB3} \leq 19$  (excluding CCA bonus points)
- $\text{EL} \leq 4$  or  $\text{EL} \leq 3$  (For business and services courses)
- $\text{MA} \leq 4$
- Any other three subjects (excluding CCA)  $\leq 5$

# Signal to your child:

Start laying Strong Foundations for  
academic learning  
**NOW.**



# 2024 Subject Combinations

## (NA : Combi 1– Coursework )

	Combination	Combination	Combination
Subject	N1a	N1b	N2
1	English Language	English Language	English Language
2	Mother Tongue	Mother Tongue	Mother Tongue
3	Mathematics	Mathematics	Mathematics
4	Art	Design and Technology (DT)	Principles of Accounts (POA)
5	Combined Humanities (Social Studies, <b>Geography / History</b> )	Combined Humanities (Social Studies, <b>Geography / History</b> )	Combined Humanities (Social Studies, <b>Geography / History</b> )
6	Combined Science (Chemistry, <b>Physics / Biology</b> )	Combined Science (Chemistry, <b>Physics / Biology</b> )	Combined Science (Chemistry, <b>Physics / Biology</b> )

# Criteria for Selected Subjects (Normal Academic)

Subject	Criteria
Principles Of Accounts (POA)	EL $\geq$ 50% <u>and</u> Math $\geq$ 50%
Elective History	History $\geq$ 50%
Elective Geography	Geography $\geq$ 50%
Design & Technology (DT)	DT $\geq$ 50%
Art	Art $\geq$ 50%

# Criteria for Out of Stream Subjects (by invitation only)

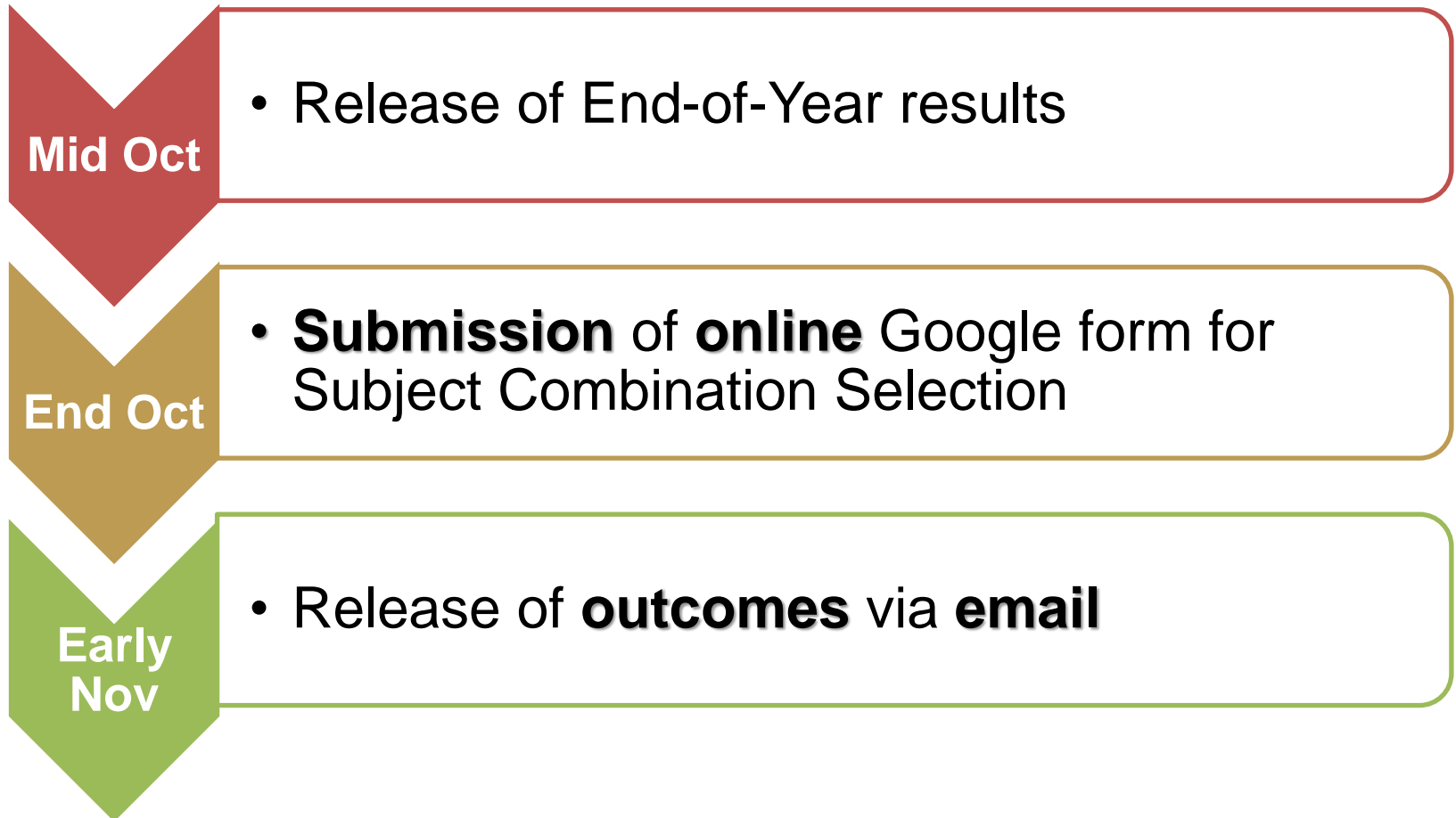
## For Normal (Academic) Students (SBB)

Subject	Criteria
English (EXP)	Overall $\geq 60\%$ and EL $\geq 60\%$
Mother Tongue (EXP)	Overall $\geq 60\%$ and MT $\geq 60\%$
Mathematics (EXP)	Overall $\geq 60\%$ and MA $\geq 60\%$
Science (EXP)	Overall $\geq 60\%$ and SC $\geq 60\%$

## For Normal (Academic) Students (Non-SBB)

Subject	Criteria
English (NA)	Overall $\geq 60\%$ and EL $\geq 75\%$
Mother Tongue (NA)	Overall $\geq 60\%$ and MT $\geq 75\%$
Mathematics (NA)	Overall $\geq 60\%$ and MA $\geq 75\%$
Science (NA)	Overall $\geq 60\%$ and SC $\geq 75\%$

# Workflow of Subject Allocation Exercise



# Considerations for Subject Allocation Exercise

- ☐ Students' choice(s)
- ☐ Students' overall results in Sec 2
- ☐ Subject and/or option criteria
- ☐ Teachers' feedback and recommendations
- ☐ Electives offered are subjected to the number of students choosing that particular elective and availability of school resource
- ☐ Subject combination is subjected to number of eligible students and availability of school resource



# Multiple Pathways



## Who am I?

- Child's strength
- Child's interest & passion

## Where am I going?

- Career direction, if any
- Have **good knowledge** of the JC/Poly/ITE course requirements

## How do I get there?

- Wise Subject Combination Choices (Be realistic)

# Questions?

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*Thank  
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