Direct School Admission 2015 (for Sec 1 2016)

The Direct School Admission (DSA) Exercise aims to give Autonomous and selected secondary schools greater flexibility and choice in selecting students. This also provides Primary 6 students with the opportunity to exhibit their range of achievements and talents.

Direct School Admission to CHIJ Secondary (for Sec 1 2016)

CHIJ Secondary is a vibrant community of students and staff who strive for excellence in drama, literary and oral skills, academic pursuits, art and sports. The nurturing and caring environment provides students with a variety of life skills through joyous participation in school life, guided by moral values which are rooted in our school’s mission.

An IJ education grooms students to face life’s challenge by nurturing in them a faith in God, a spirit of concern for others, passion for life-long learning and innovative skills.

As an Autonomous School, **CHIJ Secondary** admits up to 10% of our secondary one cohort through the Direct School Admission Exercise.

If you possess talents in our **niche areas** and are enthusiastic about pursuing a holistic IJ education in an exciting and challenging environment that brings out only the best in you, we invite you to apply now to be a part of the vibrant culture at CHIJ Secondary!

**Our Niche Areas & Admission Criteria**

We admit students with a passion in the following areas.

- **Athletics**
- **Netball**
- **Rhythmic Gymnastics**
- **Tennis**
- **Tenpin Bowling**
- **Badminton**
- **Basketball**
### Admission Criteria for DSA Selection

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<td>Athletics</td>
<td>Demonstrates strong leadership potential, responsibility and resilience</td>
<td>Good track record of sports performance</td>
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<td>Badminton</td>
<td>Able to exhibit exceptional sports capabilities, fundamental sports skills and possesses knowledge of the sport(s)</td>
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<td>Basketball</td>
<td>Highly committed and self-motivated</td>
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<td>Netball</td>
<td>Strong academic performance is an advantage</td>
<td>• combined schools</td>
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<td>Rhythmic Gymnastics</td>
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<td>Participated in National and/or International Competitions</td>
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<td>• Minimum top 4 in Zone Competitions</td>
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<td>• Leadership position holders (eg Captains &amp; Vice Captains) may also apply</td>
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Admission Guide

1. Download a copy of the admission form.

2. All completed forms must be accompanied by the following:
   - Passport-sized photo
   - Copy of Academic records (Primary 5 to current)
   - CCA/CIP Records of Achievements
   - Certificate of other Achievements
   - Any other relevant supporting documents (e.g. Community service records, letters of commendations, teacher’s reference form)

3. All application forms must be submitted in person or delivered to:
   
   Attn: DSA Coordinator
   CHIJ Secondary
   626 Lorong 1 Toa Payoh
   Singapore 319764

4. Application will close on 1 July, 2015 at 5 p.m.

5. Application forms that are sent through fax or e-mail will not be entertained.

6. Applicants will be informed of the trials by post. Short-listed applicants, after the trial, may be required to attend an interview.

7. Successful DSA-Sec candidates are NOT allowed to participate in the Secondary One Posting Exercise to opt for secondary schools. They will also not be allowed to transfer to another school after the release of the PSLE results as students are expected to honour their commitment to the posted DSA school for the duration of the programme that they are admitted to.

8. For any enquiries, please contact

   CHIJ Secondary
   Mr Balbinder Singh
   (9 am to 5 pm on weekdays)
   Tel: 6353 4972

   Email: chijtpss@moe.edu.sg
   (Subject: DSA Enquiries)
## Important Dates

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<td>Application opens</td>
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<td>Closing date for submission of application form and supporting documents</td>
<td>1 July, 2015, 5 pm</td>
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<td>Trials for sports</td>
<td>1 July, 2015 to 31 August, 2015</td>
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<td>Notification Letter (Outcome of application)</td>
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Frequently Asked Questions

A. ADMISSION TO CHIJ SECONDARY

1. What is Direct School Admission (DSA)?

   Direct School Admission (DSA) gives schools the flexibility in selecting students in the niche areas as specified by the individual schools. This also allows Primary 6 students to be recognised on a more diverse range of achievements and talents.

2. Is there an admission quota for DSA in CHIJ Secondary?

   CHIJ Secondary, an Autonomous School, has the right to admit 10% of Secondary 1 students via DSA.

3. How much flexibility is given to CHIJ Secondary to select students?

   Schools can decide their own admission criteria. However, primary school students must achieve PSLE results that would enable them to be eligible for admission to the stream/course being offered by the school.

4. Can I apply to CHIJ Secondary through another CCA not listed in the school's niche areas?

   No. It is important to meet the published criteria.

5. Must I still sit for PSLE if I have received a Confirmed Offer (CO) for CHIJ Secondary?

   Yes, all students must sit for the PSLE.

6. Can a student below Primary 6 apply for DSA?

   No, admission to Secondary 1 is only for Primary 6 students or its equivalent.

7. What is the closing date for submission of DSA application to CHIJ Secondary?

   The closing date for submission is 1 July, 2015 at 5 pm. Late applications will not be considered.

8. Can I still opt for CHIJ Secondary in the Posting Exercise if I do not make it through the selection rounds?
Yes, you can still choose CHIJ Secondary in the Centralised Posting Exercise, after you have received your PSLE results. However, this admission will be solely based on your PSLE results and availability of places in the school.

9. Can I apply for two niche areas?

Yes. CHIJ Secondary does allow you to apply to two niche areas, but you will be chosen based on ONE programme only. For instance, if you apply for DSA through Netball and Basketball and you are successful, you will only get a Confirmed Offer based on either Netball or Basketball.

10. Where can I go to get more information regarding DSA?

For more details regarding DSA- Secondary: DSA Website (http://www.moe.gov.sg/education/admissions/dsa-sec)

B. CHIJ SELECTION PROCESS

1. How does CHIJ Secondary select the students?

Trials for Sports

Trials will be conducted by the respective CCA Teacher-in-Charge and coaches.

2. When will I be notified of the trials?

Letters of notifications will be sent by post to applicants informing them of the trials and the reporting time and venue. You will be notified from July onwards.

3. Will I receive a letter if I am not short-listed for the interview?

You will not receive a notification letter if you are not short-listed for the interview.

4. When will I know if I have been selected?

The outcome of applications for the entire DSA process will be released by 31 August (Letters will be sent out latest by 31
August and may reach a day later).

**C. SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS**

1. **Do I still have to take part in the MOE Posting Exercise if I am selected by CHIJ Secondary?**

   No, you do not have to take part in the Centralised Posting Exercise. If you are successful in the DSA, you will be informed of the school that you have been admitted to during the Secondary 1 Posting Exercise.

   However, you will still be issued an Option form. If you are eligible for elective programmes, you will be given the option to indicate your interest in the Option Form.