



# Secondary 2 FSBB Academic Requirement and Progression

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Sec 2 Briefing

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# Objectives

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- To understand the common **academic requirement** for in-school progression under FSBB.

# Outline

- Understanding MOE's Criteria for Movement
- What's Next



# 1. Understanding MOE's Criteria for Movement of Secondary School Students

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# MOE's Criteria for Movement of Secondary School Students

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## Rationale:

- allow students to have **greater ownership of their learning** according to their strengths, interests and learning needs
- encourage students to develop a **growth mindset** and an intrinsic motivation to learn for life

## All students generally progress to the next year of learning

- Under FSBB, most student can **adjust curricular load** the following year without having to repeat.
- Students can repeat if there are extenuating circumstances

# Common Academic Requirement

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Pass

- (a) **EL and 2 subjects**, or
- (b) at least **half the total number of examinable subjects** offered

'Examinable subjects' = They do not include CCE, PE and lower secondary Music.

## End of S2

Students can adjust their curricular load the following year, based on school's holistic considerations which include students' subject-specific performance and their ability to cope with all subjects.

**Has the student demonstrated the ability to cope with the typical curricular load in S3?**

**YES**

**Has the student demonstrated the ability to offer certain subject(s) at MDL?**

**YES**

Students may offer subjects at MDL in S3, based on school's holistic considerations.

**NO**

Students will offer subjects at existing subject levels in S3.

**NO**

The school will engage students and parents. Options include reducing the number of subjects and/or offering subjects at LDL. Students will generally progress to S3.

# From 2028, more post-secondary options will be available.

Students taking at least	POST-SEC PATHWAYS					
	ITE Year 1 Entry	ITE Year 2 Entry	Polytechnic Foundation Programme (PFP)	Polytechnic Year 1	Millennia Institute	Junior College
5 G3 subjects	✓	✓	NEW ✓	✓	✓	NEW ✓
4 G3 + 1 G2 subjects	✓	✓	NEW ✓	NEW ✓		
5 G2 subjects	✓	✓	✓			
4 G1 subjects	✓	NEW* ✓				

\*Students who offer 4 G1 subjects will join Year 1 of Higher Nitec, and may be offered the accelerated pathway if they meet academic requirements during their Year 1 Semester 1 examinations. This pathway will allow them to attain a Higher Nitec in a shorter duration of about two years.

Admission to	Aggregate Type	Subjects used	Downward Grade Mapping
JC	L1R4	5G3	Not applicable
MI	L1R4	5G3	Not applicable
Poly Year 1	ELR2B2	4G3 + 1G2	If needed, grades for subjects offered at G3 will be mapped down to G2
PFP & ITE Year 2	ELMAB3	5G2	If needed, grades for subjects offered at G3 will be mapped down to G2
ITE Year 1	Best 4	4G1	If needed, grades for subjects offered at G2 or G3 will be mapped down to G1

Note:  
Prerequisite subjects at specific levels may apply

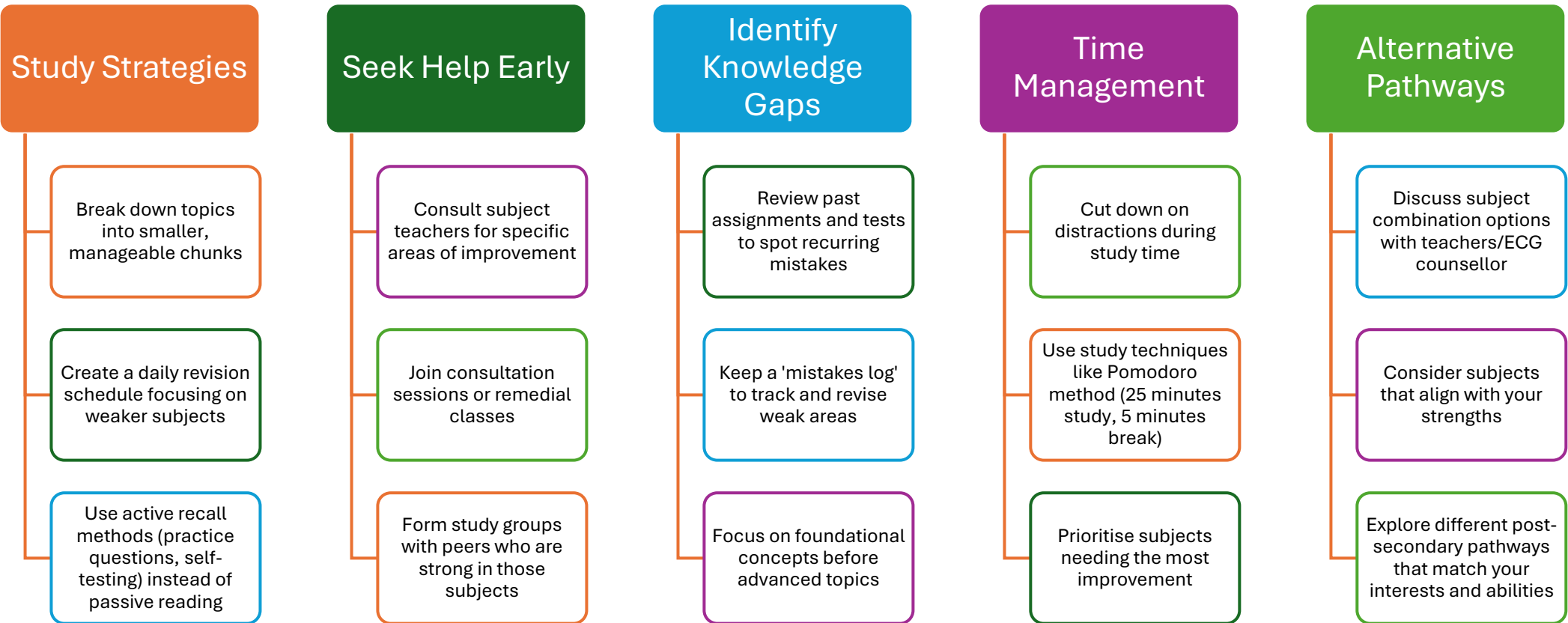


# What's Next

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# Links

- MySkillsFuture:  
<https://www.myskillsfuture.gov.sg/content/student/en/secondary/education-guide/pathway-navigator.html>
- MOE Course Finder: <https://www.moe.gov.sg/coursefinder>
- National Youth Council's DiscoverOnMyWay:  
<https://discover.nyc.gov.sg/omw>

Any  
questions?

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