



(A) Mother Tongue Language (MTL) Policy

The Mother Tongue Language (MTL) policy requires **all students (including foreign students)** to study MTL.

MTL is an **entry requirement** to Junior Colleges & Local Universities.



(B) List of Mother Tongue Subjects offered

Higher Mother Tongue (HCL/HML/HTL)

OR

Mother Tongue (CL/ML/TL)

OR

Non-Tamil Indian Languages (NTIL)
(Bengali/ Gujarati/ Hindi/ Panjabi/ Urdu)

OR

MTL-in-lieu:
Foreign Languages (French/German/Japanese)/
Thai/Burmese



(C) Students who are **exempted** from MT in Primary school

Students **exempted** from the Mother Tongue Languages **at PSLE by MOE** will continue to be exempted at O/N Level.

Important : Please submit a copy of **Exemption Letter given by MOE to Form Teachers** on **Monday, 4 Jan 2021.**



(D) Students who are offered **MTL-in-lieu/ Foreign Languages (Not Exemption)**

Important:

Students who are offered **MTL-in-lieu/ Foreign Languages (French/German/Japanese) or Thai/Burmese at Primary** are **NOT** exempted from Mother Tongue Languages.

Students are to continue taking the subject with **private study** arrangements and **sit for the exam at GCE O/N level.**



(D) Students who offer Foreign Languages (Not Exemption)

Important:

Sec 1 students taking **Foreign Languages(French/German/Japanese)** are to continue with **private study** arrangements. This is to prepare them for the **Readiness Test** should a vacancy at MOELC be available for them. Students are required to submit a re-application through school and will be placed on the **waiting list** to be considered for **MOELC admission**.

MOELC is a third language centre and there are limited vacancies. Therefore the students are required to study the FL at **Private Centre** or with a **Private Tutor** while waiting. You are required to submit documents such as marked assignments, result slips, payment receipt etc for checking **by end of Term1**.

The students will be registered for **examination at MOELC in September/
October 2021**.



(E) Higher Mother Tongue(HCL/HML/HTL)

Only eligible students are offered Higher Mother Tongue Option Forms (**Form A given by MOE**)

Higher Chinese is offered in **GESS** (please **indicate your option** on offering HCL in **Form A**)

Higher Malay and **Higher Tamil** students need to opt for their **preferred centres (e.g Crescent Girls' Sch/ UPTLC)** (please indicate your option in **Form A**)

Form A is to be submitted to Form Teacher by Monday 5 January 2021.



(F) Non-Tamil Indian Languages/ Foreign Languages

Please register for **NTIL** before the start of the new school term

eg:



MOE Language Centre (Ghim Moh)
<http://www.bttsal.com>

**Board for the Teaching and Testing of
South Asia Languages (BTTSAL)**





(F) Non-Tamil Indian Languages/ Foreign Languages

For **NTIL/Foreign Languages**, only marks provided by **MOELC** will be recorded and used for promotion purposes.

Lessons at MOE Language Centres are **compulsory**. Students who are unable to attend with **valid reasons** must produce **supporting documents(e.g. Medical Certificate)**

Important: Students who offer **Thai/Burmese** in lieu of Mother Tongue Language are to study on their own as these subjects are **not offered at MOELC**. No marks will be recorded and used for promotion purposes.

However, students are required to **sit for the exam at GCE O/N level.**



(G) 3rd Language Application

Malay (Special Programme), Chinese (Special Programme), Bahasa Indonesia, Arabic, French, German, Japanese and Spanish.

Students who have applied for **3rd Language** would have received the **notification (successful/unsuccessful)** by **23 December 2020**.

Successful applicants are to register for 3rd Language at MOE Language Centres or Zonal Centres **before the start of the new school term**.



(H) CRITERIA FOR TRANSFER FROM NORMAL MOTHER TONGUE TO HIGHER MOTHER TONGUE

Sec 1-2 Express students who attain **at least an overall result of 75% for Normal Mother Tongue**, AND an **average of 70% or higher for all subjects overall**, may be considered for offering Higher Mother Tongue **in the following year**.



For queries on Mother Tongue Languages

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