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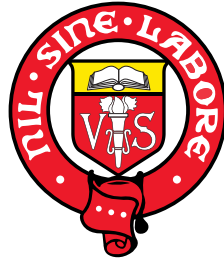
**Sharing on MTL and Foreign Languages @ VS**  
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# What will be covered



- Mother Tongue Languages
  - Chinese
  - Malay
  - Tamil
  - Exemption
  - In Lieu
    - Non Tamil Indian Languages (NTIL)
    - Foreign Languages
- Foreign Languages (3<sup>rd</sup> Language)
  - European Languages
  - Japanese
  - Bahasa Indonesia / Malay and Chinese Special Programmes





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# Mother Tongue Languages

- HMTL (HCL/HML/HTL)
- MTL (CL,ML,TL)
- Exemption
- In Lieu:
  - Non Tamil Indian Languages (NTIL)
  - Foreign Languages

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# MTL Policy (MOE)

- **All Singaporeans/SPR students - to study their respective MTL**
  - Chinese
  - Malay
  - Tamil
  - A **non-Tamil Indian** may get approval from MOE to offer as his MTL:
    - a) Tamil/Malay/Chinese, or
    - b) A non-Tamil Indian Language (NTIL) such as Bengali, Gujarati, Hindi, Punjabi or Urdu





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# MTL Policy (MOE)

- **Students who have been away from Singapore's school system for some years and who have not kept up with the study of their MTL may apply for:**
  - a) Exemption from studying their official MTL or
  - b) Study a foreign language such as French, German or Japanese in lieu of MTL.
- Applications must be made through the school
- Considered on a case-by-case basis by MOE HQ.



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# MTL Policy (MOE)

- **International students** either study Chinese/Malay/Tamil or are required to study an approved foreign language/NTIL in lieu of MTL, unless they are granted exemption by MOE HQ.



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# MTL Policy (MOE)

## MT Requirements for Admission to JCs

- Under the Mother Tongue Policy, it is compulsory for Secondary students to fulfill either ONE of the following MT requirements for admission to the JCs:
  - a minimum 'D7' grade in the GCE O Level Mother Tongue Examination
  - a minimum 'E8' grade in the GCE O Level Higher Mother Tongue Examination (for IP students)
  - a pass in the GCE O Level Mother Tongue Syllabus B Examination



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# MTL Policy (MOE)

## MT Requirements for Admission to Local Universities

- Under the Mother Tongue Policy, it is compulsory for JC students to fulfill either ONE of the following MT requirements for admission to the local universities (NUS, NTU, SMU & SUTD):
  - a minimum 'D7' grade in the GCE O Level Higher Mother Tongue Examination
  - a minimum 'S' grade in the GCE A Level H1 Mother Tongue Examination
  - a pass in the GCE A Level Mother Tongue Syllabus B Examination





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# VS SY1 Mother Tongue Languages

	IP Track	O Level Track
HMTL (HCL/HML/HTL)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>All IP students to offer HMTL</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Chinese/Malay/Tamil students who meet MOE HMTL criteria to offer HCL/HML/HTL</li></ul>
MTL (CL/ML/TL)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>No available MTL classes for IP Track</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Chinese/Malay students who do not meet MOE HMTL criteria to offer CL/ML/TL</li></ul>
NTIL	A non-Tamil Indian may get approval from MOE to offer as his MTL: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Tamil/Malay/Chinese, or</li><li>A non-Tamil Indian Language (NTIL) such as Bengali, Gujarati, Hindi, Punjabi or Urdu</li></ul>	
Exemption or MTL in lieu	Students who have been away from Singapore's school system for some years and who have not kept up with the study of their MTL may apply for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Exemption from studying their official MTL or</li><li>Study a foreign language such as French, German or Japanese in lieu of MTL.</li></ul>	



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# Higher Mother Tongue Language (HMTL)

- VS offers HMTL in all three official MTL languages.
- Advantages of doing HMTL:
  - O Level Track Students who score A1-C6 for both HMTL and English will be given 2 bonus points for JC admission
  - Students who score A1-D7 for HMTL would have met local university admission criteria and can be exempted from taking H1 MTL at JC



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# HMTL Eligibility @ VS

- IP Students
  - **All Y1 & Y2 students** offer HMTL, unless exempted by MOE
- O Level Students
  - **S1 students** who meet MOE Criteria for HMTL will offer HMTL, unless you choose to opt out.



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# HMTL Eligibility @ VS

- Students in IP track will be offered HMTL by default.

**Students in O Level Track** who are eligible for HMTL will receive **an offer letter (Form A)** via email.

- If your decision is to **accept the offer** to take HCL/HML (not applicable to HTL), you **DO NOT need to return the form** to us.
- If your decision is to **reject the offer** to take HMTL, please **fill up Form A and return it to Form Teachers** by **5 Jan 2023 (Wed)**.





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**FORM A**

**APPLICATION TO OFFER A HIGHER MOTHER TONGUE LANGUAGE**

Instructions

- You are eligible to offer a Higher Mother Tongue (HMT) language indicated below. Please complete this form to indicate if you wish to do so.
- Please return the completed form to your principal by 27 December 2018.
- If your school offers HMT, you will attend lessons in your school.
- If your school does not offer HMT, you will attend lessons at one of the centres outside curriculum time. Please indicate your choice of centre. You will be informed by your principal of the day, time and venue for HMT lessons when school re-opens.

Detach and submit the form below

**APPLICATION TO OFFER A HIGHER MOTHER TONGUE LANGUAGE**

**S/N HCL 1**

Name of pupil:            **MR**            **VICTORG**  
NRIC No.:             
Sex:             
School:            **VICTORIA SCHOOL**

Please put a tick (✓) in the box where applicable :

I wish to offer HIGHER CHINESE.

I will attend lessons at VICTORIA SCHOOL.

I do not wish to offer HIGHER CHINESE.

Signature of pupil

Signature of parent/guardian

Date

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# HMTL: Appeal

For O Level Track **MTL students** who do not meet MOE HMTL Criteria:

- You may **appeal to offer HMTL**. There will be a selection test for shortlisted students in **Term 1 Week 1**. Details to be announced.



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# HCL/HML placement test

**S1 O Level Track MTL students who intend to appeal for HMTL:**

- please register via this QR code:



Or use this webpage address:  
<https://go.gov.sg/vsappealhmtl>



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## Mother Tongue Language Requirement for IP Schools (From MOE)

- IP students deemed to have the language proficiency to access the HMTL curriculum, will be enrolled for the O-Level HMTL examination in Year 4 without the need for them to offer MTL at O-level.
- Students who obtained D7 or better for O-Level HMTL would fulfil the MTL requirement for entry to local full-time publicly-funded degree programmes.





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## Mother Tongue Language Requirement for IP Schools (From MOE)

- Y4 IP students who did not obtain **at least an E8 or better** in HMTL in the O Level Exam would be deemed as not having fulfilled the MTL requirement to progress to Year 5.
- These students would not have met entry requirement to JC.



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## Mother Tongue Language Requirement for IP Schools (From MOE)

- MOE will acknowledge **Year 3 IP students** as having fulfilled the requirement for entry to JC if they attain results equivalent to a **D7 or better** in the (school-based) **HMTL SA2 Examination.**
- These students are eligible to offer HMTL in Y4 and sit for the O-Level HMTL Examination.



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## Mother Tongue Language Requirement for IP Schools (From MOE)

- **Y3 IP students who obtained the E8 or F9 grades for the HMTL SA2 Examination would not have met entry requirement for JC.**
- They will **offer MTL in Y4** and sit for the O-Level MTL Examination in which to have to obtain a D7 grade and above to meet entry requirement for JC. Failing which they have to sit for the O -Level MTLB Examination.



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# HMTL Milestone Checks

## Milestone checks for suitability to continue with HMTL:

Level	Criteria to continue with HMTL
SY2	Achieve a minimum grade of D7 in the SY2 HMTL Overall results.
Y3	Achieve a minimum grade of D7 in the Y3 SA2 exam.
S4	Achieve a minimum grade of B3 in the O Level MTL exam.

- HMTL students who did not meet the criteria will have to offer MTL instead of HMTL in the following year.





# MTL Exemption

- Granted by MOE mostly on
  - medical grounds,
  - students who have been away from Singapore's school system for some years and have not kept up with the study of their MTL.
- If you have been exempted from MTL in Primary School, please provide a copy of the exemption letter to your Form Teachers when school reopens.
- If you intend to apply for exemption, please email Mr Vanan: [s\\_mathivanan@moe.edu.sg](mailto:s_mathivanan@moe.edu.sg)





# MTL: In-Lieu

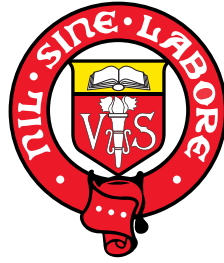
- Some students may study a non Chinese/Malay/Tamil Language in-lieu of the three official MTL, subject to MOE approval.
- If you have been granted approval to take Foreign Languages in lieu of MTL (including NTIL) in primary school, you will continue with the Foreign Language offered to you in secondary school
- If you intend to apply for MTL-in-lieu, please email Mr Vanan: [s\\_mathivanan@moe.edu.sg](mailto:s_mathivanan@moe.edu.sg)





## Helping your child excel in HMTL/MTL

- Encourage your son to:
  - Use their MTL in daily interactions
  - Read books and local newspaper in their MTL
  - Watch the news/Listen to local radio in their MTL
  - Work closely with their teachers if they have difficulties coping



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# Foreign Languages (3rd Language)

- European Languages
- Japanese
- Bahasa Indonesia / Malay and Chinese Special Programmes



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# Foreign Languages

Outcome of application:  
You will receive an email notification.

Important points to note:

- Submit registration by the deadline
- Bahasa Indonesia lessons conducted in VS – MSP (Lower Secondary only)  
lessons conducted in VS; MSP (Upper Secondary only) lessons conducted at MOELC
- CSP lessons conducted in Changkat Changi Secondary School (Simei)
- Other Foreign Language lessons to be conducted at MOELC



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# Foreign Languages

Outcome of application will be emailed to you.

Important points to note:

- Other Foreign Language lessons to be conducted at MOELC.
- opt for **Monday 3.30pm** lessons at MOELC.
- Should there be no lesson offered on Mondays for their 3rd Language, the boys **must** inform the school via the FTs which days and time are their lessons at MOELC.

This is to allow us to de-conflict any potential clash in lessons between the MOELC and school timetables.

- Lessons likely to commence in T1W2.



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