Hong Kong Taoist Association Tang Hin Memorial Secondary School

Notes for 2027-2028 Secondary One Discretionary Place Applicants

I. Application Form Submission Procedures

1. Form Distribution
   (1) The Application Form for Secondary One Discretionary Place will be available starting from 28 November 2026.
   (2) Primary six students may obtain the Application Form for Secondary One Discretionary Place from their primary schools. They may also visit our school to collect it in person, or download it from our website (http://www.tanghin.edu.hk) starting from 28 November 2026.
2. Form Submission
   (1) The hard copy of the completed form must be submitted to the school office in person between 4 January 2027 and 18 January 2027.
   (2) Parents may also submit applications via the SSPA e-platform of the EDB.
   (3) Our school does not accept any form of postal applications (including emails, express mail, etc.).
   (4) Late submissions will not be processed.
   (5) School office hours: Monday to Friday : 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM
   Saturday : 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM
   Sunday and public holidays: Closed
3. Documents to be Submitted
   (1) Completed Application Form for Secondary One Discretionary Place (provided by our school)
   (2) Copies of report cards from Primary Four to Primary Six
   (3) Copies of relevant documents (e.g. certificates)
   (4) Application Form for Secondary One Discretionary Place (provided by the Education Bureau)

   Notes:
   1. Please bring the student's identification documents (e.g., Hong Kong birth certificate, Hong Kong identity card, HKSAR passport) for verification.
   2. Recommendation letters from the principal/teachers from primary schools are not required.
   3. Please ensure that a correct local phone number and an email address are provided in the Application Form for Secondary One Discretionary Place for parental contact.
4. Collecting Parent's Copy

   Our school will stamp the Application Form for Secondary One Discretionary Place provided by the Education Bureau. Parents should receive from our school the Parent's Copy bearing the school chop, school name and school code as acknowledgement after submitting the form.

II. Application Guidelines

1. Number of S.1 Classes for 2027-2028: Five classes
2. Number of the Secondary One Discretionary Places: 51 students
3. Requirements:
   (1) Good conduct – A minimum conduct grade of B is required.
   (2) Excellent academic performance – Students must attain at least 1A and 2Bs in the three core subjects (Chinese, English, Mathematics) in the second-term exam in Primary Five or first-term exam in Primary Six. (If the grading system is not applicable, a score of 80% or above in all three subjects is required.)
4. Other Notes:
   (1) According to the Notes for Parents on Application for Secondary One Discretionary Places from the Education Bureau, students must be Hong Kong residents and apply to not more than two participating secondary schools listed in the Handbook for Application for Secondary One Discretionary Places. Otherwise, the Discretionary Place applications will be rendered void.
   (2) Once the application is submitted, whether in paper form or via the SSPA e-platform, it cannot be retrieved or cancelled, and no change can be made to the order of school preference.

5. Admission Criteria:

Items	Weightings
Interview	30%
Rank Order List provided by EDB	20%
Academic results and conduct in primary school	30%
Extra-curricular activities / school or social services / prizes	20%

III. Details of Interview

1. Interview Content:

Duration	Scope	Format	Assessment Criteria
15 minutes	Conversations about everyday topics in English and Cantonese*	Individual interview	Communication skills, response techniques, thinking ability, courtesy, and appearance

*The basic competency of Primary Six students will be assessed. No prior preparation is required.

2. Eligibility: All students who meet the requirements and have made an application will be invited for an interview.
3. Interview Date and Time:
   Interviews for all eligible applicants will be held on 27 February 2027 (Saturday). Each session lasts approximately 30 minutes. Students must arrive on time and are not allowed to leave early. The specific time and details of the interview will be included in the "Electronic Interview Notice." If there are too many applicants or under special circumstances, some interviews may be conducted in the afternoon from 1 March to 5 March. Once the "Electronic Interview Notice" is issued, no rescheduling will be possible.
4. Distribution of Electronic Interview Notice:
   The "Electronic Interview Notice" will be emailed to the address provided by parents by 16 February. If it has not been received by 17 February, please contact the school office during office hours for inquiries.

IV. Successful Lists for Discretionary Places

1. Date of Notification: 31 March 2027
2. Notification Method:
   The school will notify parents of successful applicants of their children's inclusion in the Successful List for Discretionary Places by phone before 12:00 PM on 31 March 2027. They can collect the notification letter from the school. For privacy reasons, the school will not respond to inquiries regarding the Successful List for Discretionary Places. Parents who have registered on the SSPA e-platform will also receive notifications electronically on the same day.

V. According to the Education Bureau's regulations, schools cannot disclose the reserve list for discretionary places. Based on past experience, reserve applicants may still be included in the List for Discretionary Places. All applicants may list our school as their first choice during the selection process in May to increase their chances for admission.

VI. The above application procedures are subject to change in special circumstances. Parents are advised to closely check the school's website for the latest updates (http://www.tanghin.edu.hk).