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**Nominate the Gifted for their Bright Future
School Nomination 2011-12**

Dear Principal,

Background

Since September 2008, the Hong Kong Academy for Gifted Education (the HKAGE) has been facilitating challenging learning opportunities for gifted learners to enable them to stretch their potential in a wide range of specialised areas as well as seeking ways to expand our services to respond to their diverse needs.

The HKAGE offers programmes in the eleven key learning areas. There are also thematic talks and personal growth and social development courses to enrich and diversify the educational diet. Please visit the HKAGE's website www.hkage.org.hk/en/sz_programmes.html for more details.

Invitation for Student Nominations

The HKAGE now invites secondary school teachers, school social workers and school educational psychologists to nominate their gifted students with outstanding performance/great potential in Humanities, Leadership, Mathematics or Sciences to join the HKAGE. School teachers are kindly requested to **submit an appropriate number of nominations from S1 to S7 level**, and are recommended to nominate around TWELVE students (around 4 for a single domain). The number of students nominated by school social workers and school educational psychologists is excluded from this suggested quota. Nomination must be made using our Online Platform. Students who have successfully passed the screening and related selection activities will become our student members and are eligible to enroll in activities and programmes offered by the HKAGE in subsequent years.

Please assign a representative of your school to coordinate the nomination. The Platform will open from **9:00 a.m., 5 September 2011 to 5:00 p.m., 14 October 2011**. The school coordinator, nominating officers, student nominees and their parents/legal guardians can log in to the following website to record their information: <http://nomination.hkage.org.hk>. **Please complete the online nomination and return the Submission Checklist before the nomination deadline.**

Log in for the Online Nomination Platform

Kindly note the following username and password as assigned to your school coordinator and keep the login information safe. Login for nominating officers, student nominees and their parents/legal guardians have to be arranged by school coordinator on the Platform. Please refer to the attached user manual which is also downloadable from the Platform or the HKAGE website for its operation.

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New Selection Arrangement

A more vigorous screening and selection process will be introduced this year. All student nominees have to undertake an online non-verbal reasoning test after the submission of nominations. Schools are kindly requested to arrange the test at your premises and details will be provided via email to the school coordinators in mid of October 2011. In the meantime, please refer to the attachment for an overview of the test, and school representatives can visit the HKAGE's website after 1 September 2011 to register for the workshop on test administration to be held on **30 September 2011**.

Briefing Sessions for Schools

To familiarise schools with the characteristics of gifted learners, the benefits of our programmes and services for gifted learners and to introduce the online nomination platform and latest school nomination/selection arrangements, Briefing Sessions will be held **on 20-22 September 2011** at different locations for your convenience. Secondary School Principals, teacher representatives, school social workers and school educational psychologists are welcome to join. Please visit the HKAGE's website for the details and online registration after 1 September 2011.

Enquiries

Information on the 2011-12 School Nomination is available on the HKAGE's website www.hkage.org.hk/en/sz_school_nomination.html. For enquiries, please contact Ms. Yip on 3698 3500 who will respond quickly to any questions you may have.

Yours sincerely,

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