

Queensway Secondary School

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Open House 2020 - Frequently Asked Questions

1. What are the school hours?

In 2020, Secondary One students reported to their classrooms for morning assembly by 0730, with lessons until 1340. Remedial lessons and CCAs are carried out in the afternoon. However, these hours may change in 2021 according to prevailing MOE staggered dismissal guidelines. Information will be conveyed to parents via the Parents' Gateway.

2. How many classes are there?

In 2021, there will be 7 classes (280 students) in Secondary 1: 4 Express classes; 2 Normal (Academic) classes; 1 Normal (Technical) class.

3. What is the aggregate range of PSLE score for the last batch of Sec 1 students?

The aggregate range of 2019 PSLE students posted to Queensway in 2020 are as follows:

Express: 222 - 242; Normal (Academic): 168 -194; Normal (Technical): 131 - 152

4. Who is the school Principal? How many teachers are there?

Queensway's Principal is Mr Peter Tan. He is assisted by two Vice-Principals, Mr Ng Hock Soon and Mr Yong Wei Leong, as well as a total of about 90 teachers.

5. What subjects does Queensway offer?

At Lower Secondary, the school offers a comprehensive and broad-based curriculum in line with the school's mission of providing a holistic education to nurture caring, responsible citizens and confident, life-long learners in a changing world.

At Upper Secondary levels, subjects are offered based on student's merit and ability. The following subject options are available:

- 8 Subjects: 2 Languages, Pure Physics, Pure Chemistry, Mathematics, Additional Mathematics, Combined Humanities and a choice of Biology OR Literature OR Design & Technology OR Principles of Accounts
- 7 Subjects: 2 Languages, Pure Physics, Pure Chemistry, Mathematics, Additional Mathematics and Combined Humanities
- 7 Subjects: 2 Languages, Combined Science, Mathematics, Combined Humanities and 1 or 2 Elective Subjects (Literature OR Design & Technology OR Additional Mathematics)

6. What are Queensway's signature programmes?

Queensway's Applied Learning Programme, Future Learning through Investigation, offers students the opportunity to gain science and engineering skills through interesting and authentic tasks. We also offer a Learning for Life Programme, Sports for Life and Outdoor Education, where students are given varied experiential learning opportunities in sports, physical and outdoor activities for all students.

7. Does Queensway offer Talent Development opportunities for high-performing students?

Yes. Talent Development programmes are available for English, Mother Tongue, Mathematics and Science. More information about the Talent Development programmes is available on the Open House website.

8. Does Queensway offer Subject-Based Banding?

Queensway currently offers Subject-Based Banding (SBB) for selected Normal (Academic) and Normal (Technical) students to take the following subjects at a higher level: English Language, Mathematics, Science and Mother Tongue. Students will be given an option letter for their respective subjects during Secondary 1 registration based on their performance at PSLE. Students who are not offered SBB subjects during Secondary 1 posting but perform well in specific subjects subsequently may be offered the more demanding subject at the middle or end of the same academic year.

9. What Mother Tongue subjects does Queensway offer?

Queensway currently offers the following Mother Tongue subjects: Chinese Language, Malay Language, Tamil Language, Chinese Language 'B' and Higher Chinese Language (from Secondary Two onwards).

10. Will Queensway be embarking on the Personalised Digital Learning Programme (PDLP)?

Yes. As part of the PDLP, all Queensway students will receive a Personal Learning Device (PLD) to help enhance their classroom learning experience from 2021.

11. What is the progression of Queensway students to post-secondary institutions?

For the 2019 cohort of 'O'-Level students, 7 in 10 Secondary Four Queensway students were eligible for Junior College admission. Almost all students were eligible for polytechnic admission.

12. What CCAs does the school offer? When are CCA days?

The school offers CCAs in Sports, Aesthetics, Clubs & Societies, and Uniformed Groups:

Sports	Aesthetics	Clubs & Societies	Uniformed Groups
Basketball (Boys)	Concert Band	Community Service	Boys' Brigade
 Hockey (Boys) 	• Choir	Club	Girl Guides
 Soccer (Boys & 	Chinese Dance	Media Club	 National Civil
Girls)	Modern Dance	 Library Council 	Defence Cadet
 Volleyball (Boys 	English Language	Science &	Corps
&Girls)	Drama and Debate	Environment Club	 National Cadet
 Badminton (Girls) 	Society		Corps (Land)
			 National Police
			Cadet Corps

13. When are CCA days?

CCAs usually meet at least once a week, although training frequency may increase during competition periods. CCAs do not meet on Saturdays (with the exception of Boys' Brigade).

14. What type of food is available in the canteen?

The school offers a variety of food for the students such as Western, Japanese and Asian cuisines. There are 2 halal certified food stalls in the school canteen.

15. When is the School's Open House?

Because of Covid-19 restrictions, the school's open house will be taking place virtually this year on 21 November at 0900 at http://queenswaysec.moe.edu.sg. Parents and prospective students can find out more about our school's programmes. There will also be a 'live' session the following week on 28 November from 0930 – 1015 and 1130 - 1230, where you can engage directly with the Principal. Details of this 'live' session will be posted on the Open House website.

For more information, please contact the school at qss@moe.edu.sg.