

Important FE Dates & Info

Application Timelines - see handout

- Students **MUST** follow deadlines set by FE office. Otherwise we **CANNOT** guarantee that required application docs will be sent on time.
- We have a huge group this year! You need to work closely with us. Do not wait til last minute to prepare your applications.
- Please be responsible for and serious with your own applications.

Application Documentation

- Applying to HK
 - HKID card/passport
 - MYP certificate
 - MYP certificate results
 - Other relevant certificates (e.g. academic awards)
- Scan these docs during summer holiday
- You need to upload these docs for online applications
- Most unis accept PDF files - b/w copy is fine.
- Applying to USA
 - Get transcripts from previous schools if you did not study Y10-11 at RCHK. A transcript with recent 4 years' grades is required.

Gateway - HE page

- Have you added your CV?
- Have you updated your CAS activity information?
- Have you add the list of schools you may apply to?
- Why do we need all of this?

Collection of Predicted Grades for University Applications

- Mid August 2011 - Oxford/ Cambridge / UK Medical Schools and US Early Decision applications
- Mid September 2011 - for EVERYONE
- Early December 2011 - Review and update PGs for everyone - up, down or remain unchanged
- February 2012 - Last Review and update of PGs - up, down or remain unchanged

Myths - Predicted Grades for University Applications

- I can ask my teachers to change my PGs
 - NO! NO! NO!
 - PGs will be issued in Aug or Sept. We review PGs in Dec & Feb
- Teacher only use one assessment to determine my PGs, so I will only work hard for this one
 - NO! - teachers base PGs on continuous assessment since day 1 of Y12 to give a more accurate PG
- I should have a PG of 7 in my Maths (SL) even though I got 4s & 5s so far. I can negotiate with my teacher to get it.
 - Sorry... we CANNOT give you a PG based on what you want
 - You have to prove that you are able to achieve it.

REMEMBER...

- No one can harass or manipulate or sweet talk your teachers into giving you the PGs you want!
- FE counsellors and the teachers have integrity & are responsible to the next batch of students who will submit applications. Universities will not believe us if we always over-predict or under-predict.
- **OVER PREDICTIONS DAMAGE SCHOOL REPUTATION!**

Gap Year?

- You are highly advised to complete your application this year with us and then defer entry
- We cannot help you with your applications after you graduate
- You will need to pay additional fees for transcripts & other required documents if you apply during your Gap Year
- **SO SAVE YOURSELF SOME CASH! APPLY IN YEAR 13!**

Finally...

- Some of you haven't returned your Reference Request form to FE office... IT WAS DUE ON MAY 4!
 - → No reference letters can be provided...
 - → Unless you see Ms Lam by June 1 with reasonable excuse.
 - → We want to help you! Contact us if you have difficulties in getting your teachers to sign the form.

Sharing Session

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