

### GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL CAPITAL TERRITORY DELHI DIRECTORATE OF EDUCATION: SCHOOLS OF SPECIALIZED EXCELLENCE

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### **CIRCULAR**

Sub: Guidelines for Admission in 20 Schools of Specialized Excellence of Delhi Government affiliated to Delhi Board of School Education (DBSE) in partnership with International Baccalaureate (IB) - Session 2021-22

The National Education Policy 2020 (NEP) proposes a new curricular and pedagogical framework by restructuring school education to 5+3+3+4 years from the currently existing 10+2 years model. While the Government of NCT of Delhi is working to implement the other provisions of the policy, the one pertaining to "Gifted students/students with special Talents" in NEP 2020 is being implemented from the current academic year itself.

In this regard, the Directorate of Education, Government of NCT Delhi in pursuance of the decision of the Delhi Cabinet No. 2980 dated March 22, 2021 has formed "Schools of Specialized Excellence". Accordingly, the existing "special category schools" like Rajkiya Pratibha Vikas Vidyalaya (RPVVs) and School of Excellence (SoE) are being phased out and new schools of specialized excellence are being formed to align with the vision of NEP 2020 so that students with deep interest and aptitude in a particular domain get specialized learning opportunities from Secondary stage onwards (in classes 9 to12).

The new "Schools of Specialized Excellence" are in the fields of:

- I. Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM),
- II. Humanities.
- III. Performing and Visual Arts, and
- IV. High-end 21st Century Skills

In the first year, i.e. the academic session 2021-22, twenty (20) such schools have been formed. Next year a total of about 100 such schools shall be operational so that almost each zone has schools of all four specializations.

All SoSEs shall be affiliated to Delhi Board of School Education (DBSE) operating in partnership with International Baccalaureate (IB). Admissions will be offered in

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classes 9 and 11 through aptitude test or on the basis of child's demonstrated interest in earlier classes.

The new Schools of Specialized Excellence are choice-based schools. These schools have world class infrastructure and facilities suited to transact new-age curriculum and assessment in the specialized domains. Students will have the opportunity for experiential learning through projects, field visits, internships, etc in their field of interest. This will nurture students for all round development and at the same time set them up for success in their chosen area of specialization.

Further, to provide an opportunity of all round development and give exposure to wide range of subjects alongside emphasis on specialization, the curriculum for these schools is divided into two parts:

- Common across all SoSE: Foundational level of learning- languages, basic maths, basic science, personality, perspective, citizenship, Social Science, etc.
- As per specialization: Advanced level as per the specific specialization.
  This is aligned with future prospect of higher education or new age employment opportunities.

In order to provide students an access and exposure to the best possible expertise in their respective fields, the schools will feature strong tie-ups with knowledge partners of global repute.

# Admissions open for 20 Schools of Specialized Excellence for the session 2021-22

The details with respect to course design, future prospects, etc is available at <a href="http://www.edudel.nic.in/sose">http://www.edudel.nic.in/sose</a>

The operational guidelines for admission and other relevant details are as follows:

- The admission in the currently operational schools (Refer Enclosure 1 for List of schools with specialization) shall be on the basis of aptitude test to be conducted at these 20 or its nearby schools between August 23 to 29, 2021
- 2. The online application form is available from August 12 to 19, 2021 at <a href="http://www.edudel.nic.in/sose">http://www.edudel.nic.in/sose</a>
- Admissions shall be offered in class 9 in all four types of SoSEs. For STEM SoSE, besides class 9, admission will also be offered in class 11.
- Students studying in any Government or recognised schools of Delhi are eligible to apply for admission (along with a valid residence proof)
- Number of students per section would be approx 30. In the first year, there would be between 3-4 sections in each school.



- At least 50% seats in each SoSE will be filled from students of Govt. schools and remaining seats will be available for students studying in any recognized schools of Delhi
- 7. Reservation and age related eligibility for admission is as per norms of the Directorate of Education, Government of Delhi.
- 8. A minimum of 60% aggregate marks in class 8 is required for admission in class 9 of any SoSE. In case of Performing and Visual Arts, minimum marks requirement can be waived if the candidate has received award in any Art form in a competition at zonal or upward level.
- A minimum of 75% aggregate marks (best of 5 including science and maths) in class 10 is required for admission in class 11 of STEM
- A relaxation of 5% in eligibility marks is offered to the candidates from SC/ST/OBC (non creamy layer)/CWSN as per the policy of Directorate of Education, Govt. of Delhi

This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

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Enclosure: List of SoSE as mentioned

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## **List of Schools of Specialized Excellence**

1.	School of Specialized Excellence, Khichripur-	STEM
2.	School of Specialized Excellence Sec-23 Rohini,	STEM
3.	School of Specialized Excellence, Kalkaji	STEM
4.	School of Specialized Excellence, Civil Lines,	STEM
5.	School of Specialized Excellence L R, Karol Bagh	STEM
6.	School of Specialized Excellence, Hari Nagar,	STEM
7.	School of Specialized Excellence, Sec-10 Dwarka,	STEM
8.	School of Specialized Excellence, Shalimar Bagh,	STEM
9.	School of Specialized Excellence, Sec-21 Rohini	Performing and Visual Arts
10	. School of Specialized Excellence, Sec-19 Dwarka	Performing and Visual Arts
11	. School of Specialized Excellence, Sec-17 Rohini,	Humanities
12	. School of Specialized Excellence, Madanpur Khadar	Humanities
13	. School of Specialized Excellence, Gandhi Nagar	Humanities
14	. School of Specialized Excellence, Sec-22 Dwarka	Humanities
15	. School of Specialized Excellence, Nand Nagri	Humanities
16	. School of Specialized Excellence, Surajmal Vihar	High-End 21st Century Skills
17	. School of Specialized Excellence, Lajpat Nagar	High-End 21st Century Skills
18	. School of Specialized Excellence, Sec-11 Rohini	High-End 21st Century Skills
19	. School of Specialized Excellence, Sec-5 Dwarka	High-End 21st Century Skills
20	. School of Specialized Excellence, Narela	High-End 21st Century Skills

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