

CDC-HKEAA Committee on English Language (2019–2021)
Gist of the 2nd Meeting

Date: 27 October 2020 (Tuesday)

Time: 3:00 – 4:35 p.m.

Venue: Rm E306, East Block, EDB Kowloon Tong Education Services Centre, 19 Suffolk Road, Kowloon Tong

Gist of the meeting:

1. The Chairperson introduced Mr SHEL Siu-lun as the ex-officio convenor of this Committee.
2. Candidates' performance in the 2020 HKDSE Examination for English Language was similar to that of the previous years. There was a slight increase in the number of candidates attaining Level 4 or above and Level 5 or above. The fact that some questions attracted very few candidates lent support to the proposal of offering fewer options in Part B of Paper 2.
3. The directions of recommendations in the review report by the Task Force on Review of School Curriculum were presented. Recommendations on English Language, such as putting more emphasis on the academic use and creative use of the language, and streamlining the public assessment and School-based Assessment, were discussed.
4. The latest development of Applied Learning (Vocational English) was reported. Two Applied Learning (Vocational English) courses were on offer in the 2020/21 school year.
5. The campaign on Promotion of Positive Values and Attitudes through Sayings of Wisdom and Poetry Remake Competition were introduced.
6. A range of support measures offered by the ELE Section was presented.