2020 NATIONAL EXAMINATIONS
SWAB TEST ARRANGEMENTS FOR CANDIDATES PRIOR TO / DURING THE EXAMINATIONS
(The following takes reference from the Instructions to School Candidates and Precautionary Measures due to COVID-19 issued by SEAB on 21 Aug 2020)

This set of instructions provides further information for candidates sitting for the National Examinations on the appropriate steps to take if they become unwell with flu-like symptoms prior to and during the examination period.

1. These arrangements only apply to the following groups of candidates, as they need to test negative for COVID-19 in order to sit for the examination:
   a. Those who have been placed on Leave of Absence as a result of staying in the same household as individuals on HQO (LOA(HQO)).
   b. Those who are on medical leave due to Acute Respiratory Infection (ARI).

2. If placed on LOA(HQO), MOE will make the arrangements for you to take the COVID-19 test and will inform you of the details of the scheduled swab test appointment.

3. If on medical leave due to ARI (i.e. unwell, especially if displaying respiratory symptoms such as runny nose, cough or sore throat), to ensure timely diagnosis, candidates should not go to school and instead proceed to the respective locations to seek medical attention as soon as possible, based on the dates provided.

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4. Candidates should call ahead to inform the SASH GP clinic or Polyclinic to make a prior appointment, preferably in the morning. Candidates below 16 years of age must be accompanied by an adult (preferably parent/guardian) for the swab test. When attending the appointment, bring along all of the following documents:
   a. Entry Proof of Examination;
   b. Student Pass;
   c. Letter of Request issued by school (only for those with ARI).

5. Following the swab test, while awaiting notification of the results, you must stay home, and will not be allowed to enter the examination venue. Please note that the swab test result will be ready in a few days' time. The results can be retrieved via the HealthHub website / application and you should update the school as soon as possible when they are ready.

6. If unable to sit for papers in the national examinations, special consideration will be applied. If the swab test results are negative and you are feeling well enough to sit for the papers while being on MC for ARI, there is no need to request for a memo from the doctor certifying that you are medically fit to take the paper as the negative test result would suffice.