Upper Secondary Subject Combinations & Eligibility Criteria for 2023

Parent Webinar
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Upper Secondary Subject Combinations and Eligibility Criteria

Opening Address by Vice-Principal

Outline

- Key Considerations in Subject Offerings and Allocation
- Timeline for 2022 Subject Allocation Exercise (SAE)
- Upper Secondary Subject Combinations
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- Overview of Post-Secondary Pathways
- Home-School Partnership
- Q&A
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Preparing for Q&A

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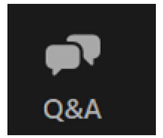
1. type a question in the **Q&A** dialog box 

2. **upvote** the questions posted by other attendees

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Key Considerations & Timeline

Key Considerations

Students are allocated to a subject combination based on the following:

- **Merit** which is according to students' academic results
- **Choices** submitted for the Subject Allocation Exercise (SAE)
- **Availability** of school resources (teacher manpower, facilities and class size)

Note: For students taking subject(s) at a more demanding level in Sec 2 (i.e. Subject-Based Banding, or SBB), the offering of Out-of-Stream (OOS) subject(s) in Sec 3 will be considered based on merit (See Slide 22).

Key Considerations

From 2023 onwards

- The minimum number of subjects for ‘O’/’N’ Level registration is 5
- Students who are offered 7 subjects will have longer curriculum hours.

Note: Subjects offered are centred on the **best interests** of the student, **progression pathways** and **availability of resources**.

Timeline for 2022 Subject Allocation Exercise (SAE)

Term 1

12 March

Parent Webinar on Upper Secondary Subject Combinations & Eligibility Criteria

Launch of the 2022 SAE microsite

Term 2

23 and 25 March

Students' Briefing on Subject Combinations & Eligibility Criteria

Term 3

26 August

Upload SAE letter on Parents Gateway

Launch of online query form for parents

Timeline for 2022 Subject Allocation Exercise (SAE)

Term 4

28 October

Step-by-step briefing for students on SAE and how to submit choices

Term 4

28 October to 2 November, 5pm

Students submit choices online

11 November, 9am

Release of SAE results via ICON email

Term 4

11 to 14 November, 5pm

Students submit appeals online

18 November, 9am

Release of appeal results via ICON email

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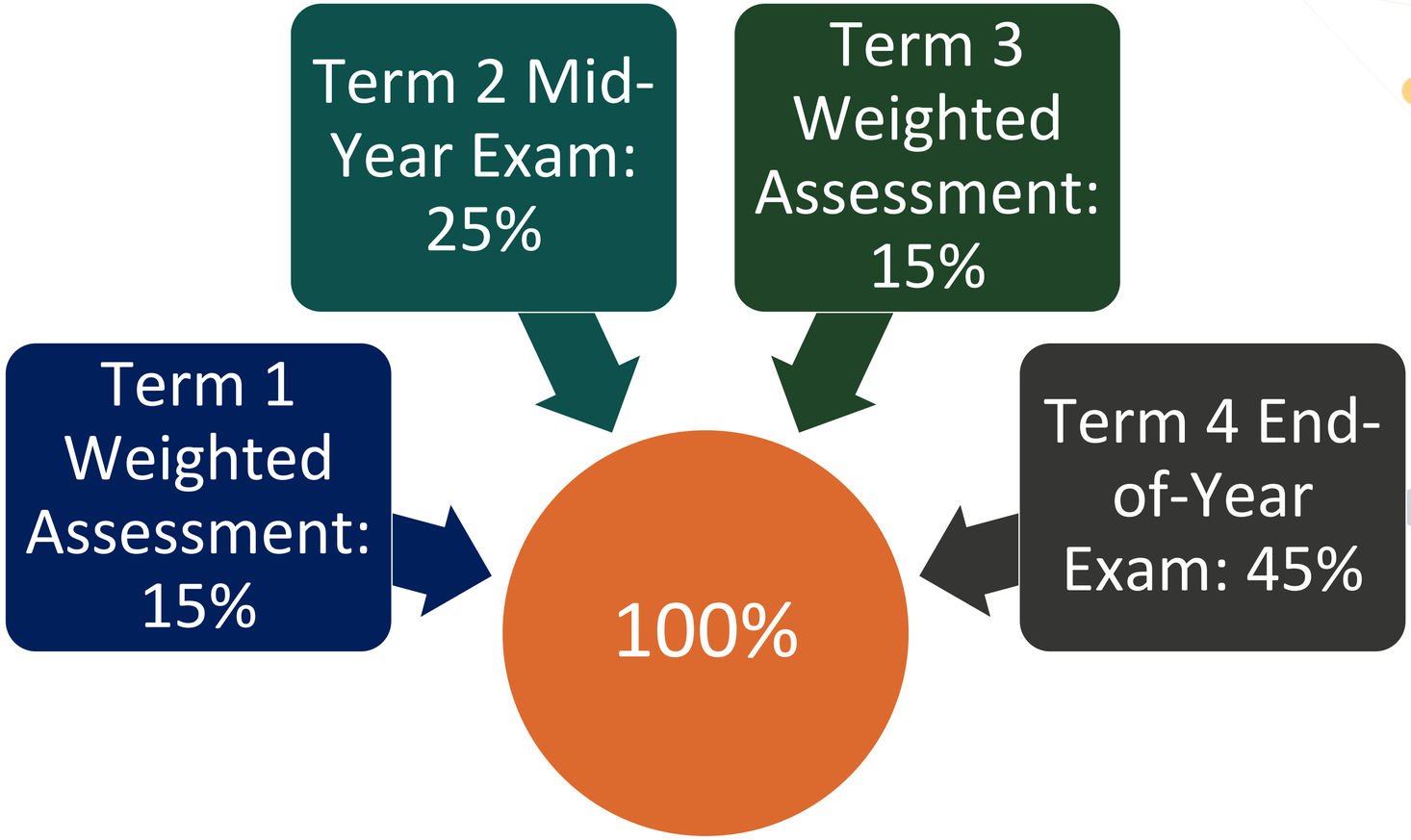
Subject Combinations

The following slides provide a preview of the possible subject combinations for 2023 Secondary 3.

The actual subject combinations will be confirmed and communicated by August 2022.

Sec 2 Assessment Structure



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2023 Sec 3 Express

No.	Subject Combination					
	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	English					
2	Mother Tongue					
	*Non-MTL/NTIL students will be offered Pure History					
3	Elementary Mathematics					
4	Humanities (Social Studies + Elective (History / Geography))					
5	Science (Chemistry + Physics / Biology)					Pure Chemistry
6	Pure History	Pure Geography	Computing	Principles of Accounts (POA)	Additional Mathematics	Additional Mathematics
7	Computing/ POA/AMATH	Computing/ POA/AMATH	Pure History/Pure Geography/ POA/AMATH	Pure History/Pure Geography/ Computing/ AMATH	Pure History/Pure Geography/ Computing/ POA	Pure Physics / Pure Biology

*Students who exempted from MTL will be offered Pure History.
*Students who are offered Pure History will take Social Studies + Geography for Humanities
. Students who are offered Pure Geography will take Social Studies + History for Humanities.
Note: The above subject combinations are subject to change.

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2023 Sec 3 Express

Subject	Criteria (Sec 2 Overall Marks)
Pure Chemistry + Pure Physics / Pure Biology + Additional Mathematics	Math and Science must be **70 marks and above**
Additional Mathematics	Math must be **70 marks and above**
Computing	Math must be **65 marks and above**
Principles of Accounts (POA)	Pass Math
Pure History	Pass History
Pure Geography	Pass Geography

Upper Secondary Subject Combinations and Eligibility Criteria

2023 Sec 3 Normal Academic

No.	Subject Combination					
	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	English					
2	Mother Tongue *Non-MTL students will be offered Pure History					
3	Elementary Mathematics					
4	Humanities (Social Studies + Elective (History / Geography))					
5	Science (Chemistry + Physics/Biology)					
6	Additional Mathematics	Principles of Accounts (POA)	Pure History	Art	Design & Technology (D&T)	Nutrition and Food Science (NFS)

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2023 Sec 3 Normal Academic

Subject	Criteria (Sec 2 Overall Marks)
Additional Mathematics	Math must be **70 marks and above**
Principles of Accounts (POA)	Pass Math
Pure History	Pass History
Design & Technology (D&T)	Pass D&T
Art	Pass Art
Nutrition and Food Science (NFS)	Pass FCE

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2023 Sec 3 Normal Technical

No.	Subject Combination		
	1	2	3
1	English Language		
2	Basic Mother Tongue Language		
3	Mathematics		
4	Science		
5	Computer Applications (CPA)		
6	Mobile Robotics (MR)	Art	Design & Technology (D&T)

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2023 Sec 3 Normal Technical

Subject	Criteria (Sec 2 Overall Marks)
Mobile Robotics (MR)	**Top 20 students** based on average of Math **AND** Science marks
Art	Art must be **Grade C and above**
Design & Technology (D&T)	Pass D&T

Sec 2 Promotion Criteria (eStudent Handbook Pg 27)

Course	Promotion Criteria
Express	• At least 50% pass in English Language **AND** at least 50% of the year's total marks across the 10 examinable subjects
Normal Academic	• At least 50% pass in English Language **AND** at least 50% pass in 2 other subjects • **OR** at least 50% pass in any 4 subjects
Normal Technical	• At least 50% pass in English Language or Mathematics **AND** a pass in one other subject

Criteria for Lateral Transfer

1.Meet Sec 2 promotion criteria
2.At least 70% of the year's total marks across all examinable subjects

Normal Technical (NT)	Normal Academic (NA)	Express (EXP)
2022 Sec 2 NT may transfer laterally to 2023 Sec 2 NA	2022 Sec 2 NA may transfer laterally to 2023 Sec 3 EXP	

School's Criteria for Offering Out-of-Stream (OOS) Subject

Criteria for Lateral Transfer	Subject-Based Banding (SBB) subjects in Sec 2	Criteria for offering OOS subjects in Sec 3 (up to 3 subjects)
Student met criteria for lateral transfer		• No criteria is set • Depends on subject teacher's recommendation
Student did **not** meet criteria for lateral transfer	Student is taking SBB subject in Sec 2	• At least 50% pass in that subject • Only Combined Science (no Pure Sciences)
	Student did **not** take SBB subject in Sec 2	• At least 75% in that subject **AND** at least 60% of the year's total marks across all examinable subjects • Only Combined Science (no Pure Sciences)

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Home-School Partnership

The following slides will provide useful resources on how parents can help to prepare and support your child for SAE 2022.

How can Parents help?

Potential

Guide your child to manage his/her time and be consistent in his/her work.

Monitor his/her academic progress and understand your child's strengths in the various subjects.

Passion

Talk to your child about his/her interest in the various subjects.

Discover what your child is keen to pursue after secondary school.

Pathways

Explore with your child the various post-secondary pathways.

Discuss with your child on possible pathways to consider.

Overview of Post-Secondary Pathways

Junior College (JC) or Millennia Institute (MI)	Polytechnic	Institute of Technical Education (ITE)	Alternative Qualifications
Prepares students for the GCE 'A' Level Examinations JC – 2 Years MI – 3 Years	Trains students with relevant skills for the workplace in a knowledge-based economy Polytechnic – 2 to 3 Years	Equips students with technical knowledge and skills relevant to an industry ITE – 2 to 3 Years	• LASALLE College of the Arts • Nanyang Academy of Fine Arts (NAFA) • Other Government-Affiliated Educational Institutes • Other Private Institutes

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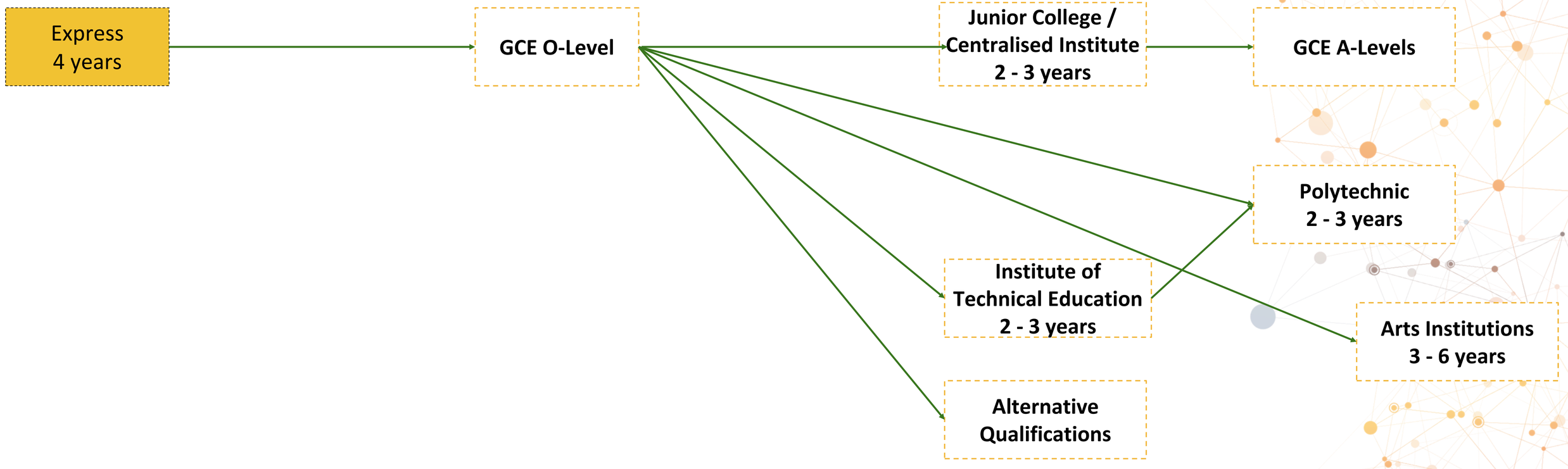

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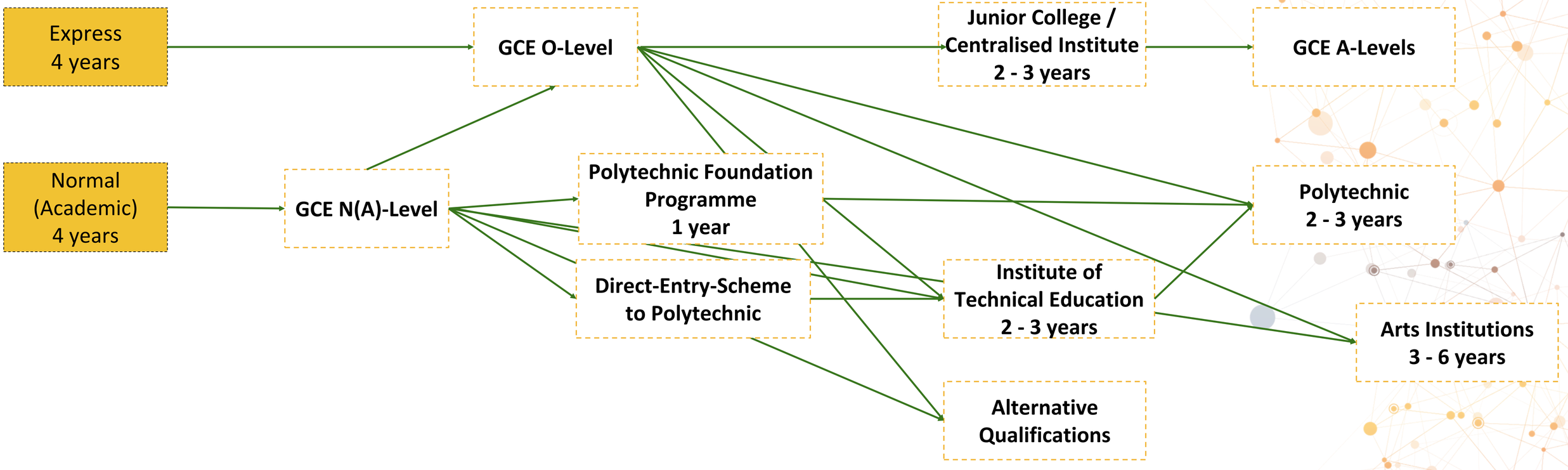

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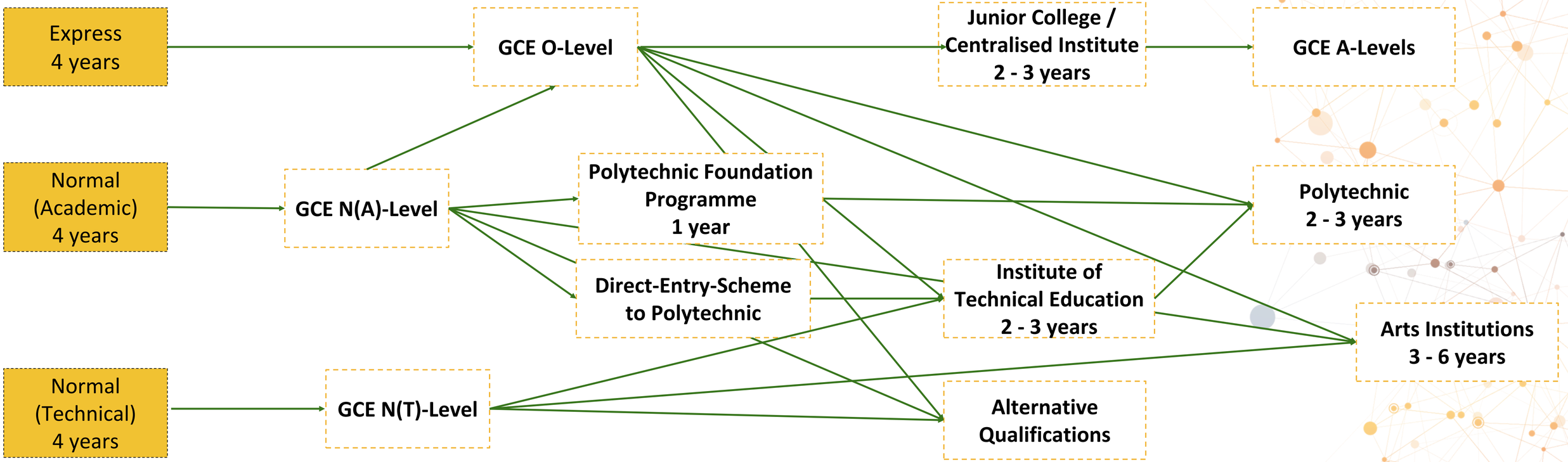

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Interactive Media of Post-Sec Pathways on MySkillsFuture Portal	Post-Secondary Information on MOE Website	Post-Secondary Brochure on MOE Website
https://for.edu.sg/post-sec-landscape	https://for.edu.sg/moe-post-sec	https://for.edu.sg/post-sec-booklet

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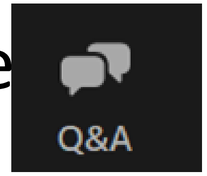
- type a question in the 

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Further Queries

The following will be uploaded onto the school's website within one week:

- presentation slides
- webinar recording
- FAQs

For further queries, please email serangoon_ss@moe.edu.sg

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