

NATIONAL JUNIOR COLLEGE

NJC DSA (AEP) GUIDE

Dear DSA Applicants, Parents and Guardians,

This guide comprises four major sections. Kindly go through them in detail. These sections are namely,

1. Introduction

2. The Portfolio

3. Shortlisting Criteria

4. Additional Information

1. Introduction

The AEP or Art Elective Programme is a talent development programme receiving direct support from MOE. The NJC AEP is looking for DSA applicants with character strength and potential to do well in NJC and become inspiring role models for their peers and beyond. Shortlisting of NJC DSA (AEP) applications are based on evaluation of potential for making the most of the educational, growth and contribution opportunities in NJC. NJC AEP students may look forward to becoming art practitioners, scholars, advocates and leaders.

1.1 Join NJC AEP because you can/want to...

- Thrive in the NJC environment
- Develop your artistic and creative talent
- Befriend and grow with artistic and creative people
- Continue to enjoy art because art is very meaningful to you
- Pursue Art beyond NJC Junior High/Senior High (e.g. AEP at Senior High and/or art courses at tertiary education)
- Find out if you are suitable for a career in the creative industry

2. The Portfolio

There is no need to specially set aside time and other resources to create this body of works. The portfolio items are to individually and collectively show applicants' joy of learning through their unique imagination, curiosity, creativity and entrepreneurial dare to try and experiment. Within and between these items, applicants may show their ability and potential to question, investigate, connect, iterate, solve problems, collaborate and communicate.

2.1 Portfolio Specifications:

The portfolio of works may be presented in slides saved in PDF format with the following:

- a. A **100 to 150-word self-introduction**
- b. Works must be done **this year and within the past 2 years**
- c. All works **must be clearly labeled** (title, medium, dimensions, date, short explanation)
- d. The portfolio as a whole **must showcase variety** which can be
 - **variety within an art medium and/or**
 - **a variety of art mediums**
- e. **Between 10-15 works** (6-8 finished artworks + process works, sketches, doodles, etc.)
- f. Folder/File naming convention: **School Name_Full Name of Student**
- g. **File size limit: 20 MB**

3. Shortlisting Criteria

Aligned with the evaluation of potential stated in [Section 1. Introduction](#), evidence of artistic potential that shows the following will be sought in the NJC DSA (AEP) Process:

- a. **Talent** – *applicant has unique and interesting ideas and messages about what/how to make art.*
- b. **Passion** – *applicant frequently takes the initiative to seek out art and new ways of making art.*
- c. **Fortitude** – *applicant is excited by artistic challenges and committed to overcome them in order to create great/exciting artworks. He/she looks forward to AEP lessons and is committed to the 4 years at Junior High or the 2 years at Senior High.*

Shortlisted candidates will be contacted for digital portfolio submission, selection test and official DSA interview.

4. Additional Information

For more information about AEP, please explore the following links:

AEP for Secondary: <https://www.moe.gov.sg/education-in-sg/our-programmes/aep-sec>

AEP for Junior College: <https://www.moe.gov.sg/education-in-sg/our-programmes/aep-jc>