

**Education Support Measures for Non-Chinese Speaking (NCS) Students  
in the 2013/14 School Year**

<b>Support Measures</b>	<b>Number of Beneficiaries (NCS Students)</b>
Provision of school-based professional support, including the University-School Support Programme financed by the Education Development Fund.	About 10 530
Implementation of the revised funding arrangement, i.e. all schools admitting 10 or more NCS students (instead of only those with school-based support programmes specially arranged for NCS students, i.e. the so-called “designated schools” before the 2013/14 school year) are provided with additional funding to enhance the support for learning of the Chinese language by NCS students.	About 14 680
Operation of Chinese Language Learning Support Centres to offer remedial programmes after school hours and during holidays for those NCS students who have a late start in the learning of the Chinese language, to develop teaching resources, and to organise workshops for experience sharing with teachers.	About 520
Implementation of the time-limited Project of After-school Extended Chinese Learning for NCS Students through the Language Fund. Schools may apply for funding to put in place diversified modes of after-school support programmes for NCS students.	About 8 200
Refinement to the Summer Bridging Programme for NCS students in primary schools to allow parents to accompany their children with a view to enhancing their exposure to, and use of, Chinese and support for their children.	About 1 730
Development of the Supplementary Guide to the Chinese Language Curriculum for NCS Students and provision of professional development programmes for Chinese Language teachers teaching NCS students.	Note
Subsidising eligible school candidates sitting for non-local Chinese examinations, including the General Certificate of Secondary Education (GCSE), International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE), General Certificate of Education (GCE) Advanced Subsidiary	About 1 220

(AS)-Level and GCE Advanced (A)-Level Examinations to the effect that the level of examination fee payable by the subsidised school candidates is on par with that of the Chinese Language paper in the Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education. Moreover, needy NCS students will be granted full or half fee remission of the subsidised examination fee under the Examination Fee Remission Scheme.	
Provision of support on the learning and teaching of Chinese for NCS children through the time-limited University-School Support Programme financed by the Education Development Fund.	About 1 270
With the support of the Language Fund, the Education Bureau organised district-based programmes in collaboration with non-governmental organisations to motivate NCS children aged 3 to 9 to learn Chinese through fun activities such as games and creative art, etc.	About 400

Note: The Supplementary Guide and professional development programmes, which are designed to cater for the diverse needs and aspirations of all NCS students, are applicable in all schools admitting NCS students.