



YMCA of Hong Kong Christian College

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APPLICATION NOTES FOR 2025 – 2026 ADMISSION

1. General Notes

- (i) The school uses English as the Medium of Instruction (EMI). Only Chinese-related subjects are taught in Chinese.
- (ii) The average class sizes are shown in the table below:

<u>Level</u>	<u>Class Size</u>
Form 1 to 4	About 24 – 29
Form 5 to 6 (DSE & GCE)	About 17– 26

Most subjects, however, are taught in smaller groups of about 20 students because classes are divided into sets.

- (iii) The school does **not** participate in the Government's Form 1 or Form 4 Secondary School Place Allocation (SSPA) System. The school admits students directly. After applicants have been interviewed, **confirmed places can be offered**.
- (iv) All new F.1 students are required to bring a MacBook for lessons.

2. Chinese Language

- (i) All students are required to study Chinese from Form 1 to Form 6 as a second language. The School-based Chinese Programme caters for the needs of students with different Chinese language learning backgrounds. The aim of this programme is to help students to gradually master the Chinese language skills needed for their future lives and for higher education, as well as developing a deep appreciation of Chinese culture.
- (ii) Please refer to the School-Based Chinese Programme Information Sheet' for more details.

3. Information about School Fees

(i) **Application Fee**

An application fee of HKD100 must be paid when applying for a place in the YMCA of Hong Kong Christian College. Please note that your online application will be processed after the payment was made.

(ii) **School Fees**

The proposed annual school fees for the **2025 – 2026 school year** are shown in the table below. (Please note that these fees are subject to approval by the Education Bureau.)

Form	Local Students ¹	Non-local Students ²	Payment Terms
Form 1	HKD61,000		
Form 2	HKD58,000	School fee + differential fee of approximately	10 Installments (from September to June)
Form 3	HKD58,000		
Form 4	HKD57,000		
Form 5 DSE	HKD57,000		
Form 6 DSE	HKD50,500	HKD75,000 –	5 Installments (from September to January)
Form 5 GCE	HKD65,000	HKD88,000	10 Installments (from September to June)
Form 6 GCE	HKD62,000		5 Installments (from September to January)

¹ **Local Students**

Students holding a Hong Kong Birth Certificate with a Hong Kong permanent resident status as "Established", a Hong Kong Identity Card (except for conditional stay), or a valid travel document with a dependent visa endorsed by the Immigration Department are classified as "local students" who are eligible for the government subsidy.

² **Non-local Students**

‘Non-local Students’ are defined as those who require a student visa to study in Hong Kong. According to EDB policy, non-local students are not eligible for the government subsidy. Non-local students are required to pay a differential fee, which is composed of the regular school fee and an additional fee equal to the amount of government subsidy. (NB. The approximate amount of the differential fee shown in the table above is for the current year. The differential fees for all forms will be adjusted upwards once the EDB announces the exact amount of the subsidy.)

(iii) The school fee for Form 1 students will remain unchanged for 2 years (i.e. Forms 1 and 2). The school fee will be adjusted upwards by approximately 6% – 9% in Form 3 and then again in Form 5.

(iv) **Other Fees**

An Advance Payment of \$7,500 is collected every year to cover miscellaneous fees, including the Student Handbook, Life-wide Learning Camp Fee, Enrichment Week and the cost of student activities incurred during the school year. When a student graduates or withdraws from the school, the remaining amount will be refunded to parents.

The Advance Payment is collected when students register for the next school year. This payment is usually collected in June.

Please note that part of the Advance Payment is used to cover the cost of activities during Enrichment Week in June. There are lower cost options available during this week, but it is unlikely, however, to be sufficient to cover the cost of overseas trips or activities. Students usually need to pay between HKD500 and HKD6,000 for trips and activities, depending on the destination.

(v) **Payment Methods**

School fees must be paid via **Direct Debit** between the fifth and the tenth day of each calendar month from the parents' designated local bank account. A message containing the date of the bank transfer will be sent to parents' registered E-mail address at the beginning of each month.

(vi) **School Fee Remission**

The school is able to provide some assistance for families who may have financial difficulties. More information can be downloaded from the school website <https://www.yhkcc.edu.hk/en/content.php?wid=145>. Alternatively, please contact the teacher-in-charge, Ms. Annie Cheng, on 29882032.

Making an Application

(i) Please complete an online application form by pasting this link into your web browser or by scanning the QR code:

<https://sas.hktedu.com/yhkcc/2526#front>



NB. The YMCA of Hong Kong Christian College requires an **Academic Reference** and **Confirmation of Chinese Language Learning Background** for all applicants. This information will be compiled by the primary school and sent directly to the YHKCC.

(ii) Please prepare a softcopy of all of the following documents for the online application:

1. Recent photo of student (H: 5cm X W: 4cm) (format: gif, jpg, png; size: 10MB; pixels: 1024 x1024)
2. A copy of Hong Kong identity card or birth certificate / a copy of passport with a Dependent Visa or Student Visa (only if not holding a HKID)
3. A single file including Primary 4 and 5 report card copies
4. A single file including max. 3 academic awards (*optional*)
5. A single file including max. 3 other awards in each category such as Music, Art, Sports and Service (*optional*)
6. A single file including max. 3 extra-curricular activities (*optional*)
7. A signed Enrolment Agreement (*Please download from the school website.*)
8. If the applicant lived in other countries and studied in a primary school(s) there for any year groups in the past, please prepare a single file including all report cards which were issued by the primary school(s). (*if applicable*)

Remarks:

- (a) The maximum size of each supporting document is 10MB.
- (b) All files' format is limited to gif, jpg, png, pdf, docx, doc, xls and xlsx.

(iii) Payment of the non-refundable application fee of HKD100 by Tap&Go, VISA, MasterCard, UnionPay and PPS.

(iv) Though the online application provides English and Chinese versions, kindly note that all data must be entered **in English**, unless specified.

4. Interview Arrangement & Admission Criteria

Only **shortlisted** Form 1 applicants will be arranged for the first interviews on Saturday 16th November, 2024. The shortlisted applicants from the 1st interview will be scheduled for the 2nd interview on Saturday, November 30, 2024. The deadline for the Form 1 admission application is **Wednesday 23rd October, 2024**. Applications received after the deadline may be assessed from January 2025 onwards if places are available.

Shortlisted Form 2 or above applicants will be arranged for an interview and they will also be required to take tests in English, Chinese and Mathematics (in English). Please refer to the application information on the school website.

The admission criteria and the weightings for Form 1 applicants are as follows:

- Academic results during the last two years (weighting 35%).
- Interview Performance (weighting 35%).
- Conduct or other comments from previous school(s) (weighting 20%).
- Participation in extra-curricular activities and social events, including any public examinations and awards, if any (weighting 10%).
- Individual interview with the Principal and/or Primary School visit by the Principal.

Students applying for admission to Forms 2 – 6 are required to meet the expected standard in all admission entry tests.

5. **Notification of Result**

The result of the application is usually released within a month after the interviews. To accept the offer a non-refundable and non-transferable registration fee must be paid. The registration fee will be offset against the school fee for September 2025. Parents of successful Form 1 Applicants will be asked to sign an undertaking declaring that their child will not participate in the Secondary School Place Allocation System.

6. **Important Information**

Prior to making an application to join the school, parents of applicants are required to agree with all the terms and conditions stated in these Application Notes and the Enrollment Agreement. School places are only given to students and parents who are able to perform the following:

- (i) Students **must** join all school activities and camps, e.g. Pre-Form 1 Enhancement Course on Saturday mornings from April 2025 to June 2025 (if required), Induction Programme (Monday 11th to Friday 22nd August, 2025), Assemblies, Life-wide learning Camps, Service trips, etc. (NB. Newly enrolled Form 1 students will be required to attend the Pre-Form 1 Internal Assessment with tests in English, Chinese and Mathematics on 15th March, 2025.)

- (ii) Students must respect and participate in Christian activities.
- (iii) Students must wear the prescribed school uniform. Any modifications to the school uniform, including additions or subtractions that may draw attention to faith-based differences, are not permitted.
- (iv) Parents must pay school fees via Direct Debit. The school reserves the right to deregister the student if the school fee is not paid on time and the student will be asked to withdraw.

7. **Personal Data**

All personal information provided will only be used for admission related purposes and will be treated in strict confidence. Documents will not be returned to applicants. The personal information of unsuccessful applicants will be destroyed after one year.