

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS FOR 2026 SENTINEL PROGRAMME SECONDARY 3 INTAKE

1. Do I need to meet all the specified prerequisites to apply?

The prerequisites serve as a guide to help you assess your suitability for the programme. While having all prerequisites is ideal, we consider candidates based on their interests, aptitude, and knowledge. If you're passionate about cybersecurity but lack some technical prerequisites, you're still encouraged to apply.

2. Is there a limit to the number of students who can apply from one school?

No, there are no school-based quotas. Any eligible student can apply.

3. How will I be notified about my application?

You will receive an email confirmation when your application is received. All further communications, including instructions for the selection test, will be emailed to you separately.

4. What will I be tested on in the selection test?

Students will be tested on their knowledge of the relevant topics as well as logical thinking and problem-solving abilities.

5. How will students be prepared to catch up with the existing cohort of students?

Students will be required to undergo a bridging workshop to help them transit into the programme in Year 3. They will also be given optional access to the learning content covered in Years 1-2 in the programme's Learning Management System.

6. Is the bridging programme conducted in-person?

Yes, the bridging programme will be conducted in-person, and there will not be a virtual conduct. Further details will be shared with the enrolled students.

7. Must the student attend all 3 days of the bridging programme? What should they do if they cannot attend all or some days of the programme?

The bridging programme is designed to help students learn the key concepts covered in Years 1-2 of the programme to facilitate their transition. Students are thus strongly encouraged to attend all 3 days of the bridging programme. Students who are unable to attend the bridging programme will be required to go through the programme materials in the online Learning Management System and complete all mandatory assignments before the Year 3 programme commences.

8. Will students receive a certificate or recognition for participating in the programme?

Students will receive a Certificate of Participation upon completing the programme in Year 4, subject to meeting the minimum 75% participation level.

9. Are there penalties if the student withdraws halfway through the programme?

We strongly encourage participants to continue with the programme till Year 4 to gain the full benefits of the programme. In an event a participant is unable to continue with the programme, we will

consider the request for withdrawal on a case-by-case basis. There is no penalty if a student decides to withdraw from the programme.

10. **What is the commitment expected for the programme?**

Students enrolled in the programme from Year 3 are expected to complete the secondary-level programme by the first Semester of Year 4. Programme activities are mostly conducted physically (in-person) during school holiday periods and on some Saturdays during the school terms. The planned schedule of activities for Year 3 and Year 4 are shown in **Annex A**. In addition to these activities, there will also be some self-directed online learning where students will learn at their own time. There will not be activities conducted during school hours.