Admission process

75% of seats in each SoE will be reserved for students from government schools, including local body schools in Punjab. The remaining 25% of seats will be available for students studying in any other recognized schools in Punjab affiliated to State and National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS); however, if seats reserved for the students from private schools remain vacant or unfilled, those seats will be allotted to the students from government schools, including local body and government-aided schools in Punjab.

- 1.1 Online application forms for registration will be made available on the website of the Department of School Education, Punjab.
- 1.2 All students currently studying in Class 8th and 10th in the schools of Punjab are eligible to apply for admission to these schools.
- 1.3 Students studying in any recognized school in a cluster (as defined in Annexure-I) will be eligible to apply to the School of Eminence of that particular cluster only.
- 1.4 Common aptitude tests will be conducted for admission in SOEs in classes 9th and 11th.
- 1.5 Reservation criteria for admission in SoE will be as per the guidelines of the Department of Welfare of Scheduled castes, Backward Class, and Minorities Govt. of Punjab as per the Punjab Scheduled Castes and Backward Castes (Reservation in Services) Act, 2006 (Punjab Act No. 22 of 2006).
- 1.6 The syllabus for the aptitude test will be uploaded by the SCERT on the website.
- 1.7 The minimum qualifying marks for the admission test are 35% in subjects and 35% in reasoning and 40% in total.

- 1.8 Students from the reserved categories will be eligible for a relaxation of 5% marks in the sectional and aggregate cutoff.
- 1.9 Students who did not pass their respective exams of classes 8th and 10th or got reappear/compartment in any subject will not be eligible for admission in the SoEs.