



Tsuen Wan Government Secondary School
Olympiad in Informatics Team



2026/27
TEAM NOMINATION TEST

RULES

GENERAL

- The **2026/27 Team Nomination Test (TNT)** aims to select students to take part in the Hong Kong Olympiad in Informatics (HKOI) 2026/27 competition.
- The test will also be used as a reference for future selection of representatives in external competitions and performance evaluation.

FORMAT

- Candidates will have to write 2 papers – namely Paper 1 and Paper 2.

		Paper 1		Paper 2	
Duration		50 minutes		40 minutes	
Section	Format	# Questions	Marks	# Questions	Marks
A	Multiple Choice	10	10 <i>1 per question</i>	5	5 <i>1 per question</i>
B	Short Questions	6	9 <i>1.5 per question</i>	6	9 <i>1.5 per question</i>
C	Long Questions	2	6	2	6
		<i>Total</i>	25	<i>Total</i>	20

- Only C++ version will be provided for both papers.
- Both papers will be in English. Chinese translations will be provided if possible.
- Candidates should write down their answers on the answer sheet according to the instructions.
After the end of each paper, time will be given for candidates to enter identical answers to TWGSS Online Judge for checking.
- Other procedures will be the same as HKOI Heat Event
(<https://assets.hkoi.org/ref/2026handbook.pdf>).
- Each candidate's final score is the sum of scores in Paper 1 and Paper 2, out of 45.
- Unless otherwise permitted by the invigilators, all other written or electronic resources (e.g., calculators) are prohibited during the test.
- At least one on-site test session will be held.
- Online test sessions may also be held for candidates having difficulties in attending on-site test sessions. There will be online invigilation for the online test sessions; measures including but not limited to enabling webcams or phone cameras and sharing computer screens may be required.
- **Candidates should attend exactly one of the test sessions at the given time and venue.**
Without prior approval or valid reasons, absentees or latecomers may be disqualified or given a score penalty.

SYLLABUS

- The syllabus of the test will be the same as that of the HKOI Senior Group
(<https://hkoi.org/competition-syllabus>).
- The syllabus serves as a guide only. If deemed appropriate, problems may involve content that is out of scope.

SELECTION

- Current OI Team members are divided into Senior and Junior Group according to their forms. Secondary 5-6 students are in Senior Group, while Secondary 1-4 students are in Junior Group. Two groups are considered separately in selecting HKOI nominees.

HKOI nominees in each group will be selected according to the following steps:

1. Students who received HKOI Gold, Silver or Bronze Medal in HKOI 2025/26 are exempted from TNT and are automatically selected as nominees.
 2. Other students should take part in TNT and will be ordered by the total score in the test. Top students will be selected until 8 nominees or all candidates have been selected.
 3. In case of ties in test scores, the student in higher form should be selected first.
 4. In case of ties in test scores by students in the same form, the student who scored higher in 2025/26 Team Selection Test (TST) should be selected first.
 5. In case of ties in test scores by students in the same form with same score in TST, the student with the earlier last submission that resulted in a score increase in the TST should be selected first.
- If it is determined that a group will be full before TNT according to the latest application status of HKOI, coaches reserve the right to select nominees of that group without following the above steps.

OTHERS

- During the test, candidates are allowed to seek clarification on the wording of the problems. If deemed necessary, the clarifications will be announced to all candidates. Clarifications related to the solutions would not be entertained.
- Candidates are not allowed to use other computers and electronic devices such as mobile phones and calculators for any purpose, including calculation, visualisation, gaming, or any other non-coding activities.
- Candidates are not allowed to communicate with any persons during the test in an attempt to gain an unfair advantage.
- **Candidates should not give any hints or inform anyone about the questions and other details before the announcement of the final results.**

The organisers of the test reserve the final right to interpret and amend the above rules.