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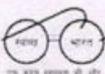
Subject: Submission of applications under various categories of affiliation for the session 2027- 28 in SARAS 7.0.

The Board has decided to open the window of online applications for affiliation under various categories for session 2027-28 as per the timeline mentioned below. The applicant school are requested to follow the guidelines (manual) of automated affiliation system given in SARAS Manual 7.0 available on website.

Categories of application	Timeline for application
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Approval for Middle Class Syllabus 2. Fresh Affiliation up to Secondary Level 3. Fresh Affiliation up to Senior Secondary Level 4. Fresh Affiliation up to Secondary Level Switch over from other Boards (Only Schools which are already affiliated to another Board) 5. Fresh Affiliation up to Senior Secondary Level Switch over from other Boards (Only Schools which are already affiliated to another Board) 6. Up-gradation to Secondary Level 7. Up-gradation to Senior Secondary Level 8. Branch School 9. Extension of Affiliation 10. Restoration of affiliation 11. Permission of two Shifts 12. Section Increase 13. Introduction of Additional Subject (Science for Senior Secondary level)/NCC 14. Closure of School 	<p>26th February, 2026 till 31st July, 2026</p>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 15. Land correction/increase/decrease 16. Permission of change name of schools 17. Permission of change name of Society/ Trust/ Company (As per status of school) 18. Interchange of School Managing Entity 19. Transfer of school from society/trust/company to another 20. Permission of site shifting (As per status of school) 	<p>SARAS window will be open throughout the year.</p>
<p>Note: All categories of applications for Foreign/International Schools and Government & Government Aided schools will remain open round the year.</p>	

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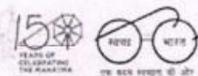
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The following modes of application for affiliation and its modalities are as under:

Application	% of Inspection	Mode of Inspection
Middle class syllabus	Inspection 100% of applications	Physical
Fresh affiliation upto Secondary level/ Switch over upto Secondary level from other Boards	Inspection 100% of applications	Physical
Fresh affiliation upto Senior Secondary level/ Switch over upto Senior Secondary level from other Boards	Inspection 100% of applications	Physical
Application	% of Inspection	Mode of Inspection
Up-gradation to Senior Secondary Level	Inspection 100% of applications	Physical
Branch School	Inspection 100% of applications	Physical
Permission of Site Shifting	Inspection 100% of applications	Physical
Permission of Two Shifts	Inspection 100% of applications	Physical
Restoration of Affiliation	Inspection 100% of applications	Physical
Section Increase	Inspection of at least 10 % of total application received on case-to-case basis	Virtual
Extension of Affiliation (3% of total applications)	Inspection of at least 3% of total application recd. based on scores of School Report Cards.	Virtual
Introduction of additional science subjects i.e. Physics, Chemistry & Biology for Senior Secondary classes (NCC without inspection) (In case, the school is already affiliated upto Senior Secondary Level without science subjects)	Inspection 100% of applications	Virtual
Introduction of additional non science subjects for Senior Secondary classes should update the data in OASIS portal and offer the subjects as per norms of the Board.	--	OASIS updation
Permission of name change of school / society/Trust/Company	--	Scrutiny

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Closure of School	--	Scrutiny
Interchange of School Managing Entity	--	Scrutiny
Transfer of school from one society/trust/ company to another	--	Scrutiny
Permission to increase/ decrease/ correction of land area of school	--	Scrutiny
Upgradation to Secondary Level	--	Automated Mode
Extension of Affiliation (97%)	--	Automated Mode

*** Note –**

1. All existing schools must ensure that their OASIS data is correctly updated. No wrong information may be furnished in the OASIS. Please refer to circular no. 03/2024 dated 23.01.2024.
2. Uploading of prescribed documents as per Annexure-IX along with the details of teachers and their qualification on school's website under Mandatory Public Disclosure is compulsory as per circular no. 01/2025 dated 08.01.2025.
3. Submission of application under various categories mentioned in chapter 15 on special provision are already opened throughout the year as mentioned in Circular No. 16/2024 dated 19.11.2024.
4. All existing schools intending to apply must also complete SQAAF as this is mandatory requirement for applying.
5. Introduction of Additional Subject (schools seeking approval for non-science subject) should update the data in OASIS Portal and offer the subject as per norms of the Board.
6. Schools which are due for extension (whose affiliation is valid upto 31st March, 2027 of the following year) or whose extension is long pending, need to apply for extension first, only then they will be permitted to apply under any other category.
7. Schools affiliated with the Board under category Middle Class Syllabus are required to apply for upgradation either for Secondary or Senior Secondary level within 5 years of their affiliation with the Board as per circular no. AFF-18/2023 dated 18.05.2023.
8. The school may refer to the following circulars before filling application:-
 - a. Circular No.: 01/2024 Dated: 01 Jan 2024 - Guidelines on School Safety and Security-reg
 - b. Circular No.: 02/2024 Dated: 23 Jan 2024 - Minimum requirement of 40 computer system in Computer Science lab in the school-reg
 - c. Circular No.: 03/2024 Dated: 23 Jan 2024 - Updating of Online Affiliated School Information System (OASIS) data-reg.
 - d. Circular No.: 05/2024 Dated: 04 Apr 2024 - To register in Unified District Information System for Education (UDISE) + Portal for 2023-24
 - e. Circular No.: 08/2024 Date of (05 Jun 2024) - CORRIGENDUM regarding mandatory documents for category "Permission of Site Shifting" reg.
 - f. Circular No.: 11/2024 Dated: 09 Aug 2024 - Guidelines for Children with Special Needs (CwSN) provisions for existing Schools and Schools seeking affiliation with the Board.
 - g. Circular No.: 12/2024 Dated: 16 August 2024 – Amendment in land certificate and building safety certificate- reg
 - h. Circular No.: 16/2024 Dated: 19 Nov 2024 - Submission of applications under various categories mentioned in Chapter-15 on Special Provisions of Affiliation Bye-Laws,2018-reg.

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- i. Circular No.: 17/2024 Dated: 19 Nov 2024 - Opening of SARAS Portal for Foreign Schools for submission of online applications under various categories of pre-and-post affiliation-reg.
- j. Circular No.: 01/2025 Dated: 08 Jan 2025 - Reminder for uploading of prescribed mandatory documents and staff details on school's website
- k. Circular No.: 02/2025 Dated: 07 Feb 2025 - Circular No. 07/2024 dated 31.05.2024 and CBSE/Aff/Circular/135755/2024 dated 13.09.2024
- l. Circular No.: 04/2025 Dated: 20 Feb 2025 - Amendments in Affiliation Bye- Laws-2018 w.e.t. permit school to apply for affiliation with or without NOC.
- m. Circular No.: 05/2025 Dated: 22 Feb 2025 - Affiliation Bye-Laws (Branch School)-2025
- n. Circular No.: 13/2025 Dated: 31 Jul 2025 - Amendments in the Appendix- V under Chapter 3 of the Affiliation Bye-Laws-2018-reg.
- o. Circular No.: 01/2026 Dated 12 Jan 2026 - Reminder for uploading / updating prescribed mandatory Teachers' Detail on the school's website-reg.
- p. Circular No.: 02/2026 Dated: 19 Jan 2026 - Amendment in Clause 2.4.12 of CBSE Affiliation Bye-laws-2018 regarding appointment of Counselor & Wellness Teacher in CBSE schools-reg.
- q. Circular No.: 03/2026 Dated: 19 Jan 2026- Module for Schools regarding change in nature of managing entity of school from inter-se Society/ Trust/ Company to another legal entity without change in involving management in SARAS 7.0-reg.
- r. Circular No.: 04/2026 Dated: 19 Jan 2026 - Amendment in Clauses 3.3, 3.4, 3.5, 3.6 & 3.7 of Chapter-3 (Land Requirement) of Affiliation Bye-Laws- 2018 of the Board regarding minimum land requirement for establishing a school-reg.
- s. SARAS 7.0 Manual

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Distribution:

1. The Commissioner, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan, 18 Institutional Area, Shaheed Jeet Singh Marg, New Delhi-16.
2. The Commissioner, Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti, B-15, Sector-62, Institutional Area, Noida-201309.
3. The Secretary, Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRS), Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Government of India.
4. The Secretary, Sainik Schools Society, Room No. 101, D-1 Wing, Sena Bhawan, New Delhi-110001.
5. The Chairman, Odisha Adarsha Vidyalaya Sangathan, N-1/9, Near Doordarshan Kendra, PO Sainik School Nayapalli, Bhubaneswar, Odhisha-751005.
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18. JS to Chairperson, CBSE.
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20. All Regional Directors/ Regional Officers of CBSE with the request to send this circular to all the Heads of the affiliated schools of the Board in their respective regions
21. Director (IT) with the request to put this Notification on the CBSE Affiliation Website
22. All Joint Secretary/ Deputy Secretary/ Under Secretary/ Assistant Secretary, CBSE
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