

National Talent Search Examination 2020-21
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STATE LEVEL TALENT SEARCH EXAMINATION (NTSE ,Stage-1)
PUNJAB, 2020-21
(For 10th Class students)

State council for Educational Research & Training(SCERT),Punjab shall be conducting the State Level Talent Search Examination (Stage 1) for the year **2020-21** on 13.12.2020 (Sunday) to select students from class 10th. Students studying in 10th Class in State Govt., Kendriya Vidyalaya's, Navodaya Vidyalaya's or any other type of recognized/ affiliated schools, situated in Punjab securing minimum 55% marks for (SC/ST/ physically challenged students) and 70% marks (for other categories) in 9th class annual examination are eligible.

1. Scholarships: On the basis of the National Talent Search Examination(stage-2) 2000 scholarships will be awarded by NCERT New Delhi. The amount of scholarship will be as under:

- (a) Scholarship of Rs.1250/- per month for Class-XI to XII.
- (b) Scholarship of Rs.2000/- per month for Undergraduates and Post-graduates.
- (c) Amount of Scholarship for Ph.D. is fixed in accordance with the UGC norms.

2. Reservation: 15% scholarships will be reserved for students belonging to the **SC** category, **7.5%** scholarships for students belonging to the **ST** category and 27% for students belonging to OBC category (Non creamy layer) as per Central list available on www.ncbe.nic.in/userpanel/centralliststateview.aspx, 10%Economically Weaker Sections(EWS) those who have not covered under the reservation scheme for SCs/STs/OBCs , 4% for **Physically Challenged** Group of Students, with benchmark disabilities of which, one percent (1%) each shall be reserved for persons with benchmark disabilities under clauses (a), (b) and (c) and one per cent (1%) for persons with benchmark disabilities under clauses (d) and (e) namely:

- (a) blindness and low vision; (BLV)
- (b) deaf and hard of hearing; (DH)
- (c) locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy; (LD)
- (d) autism, intellectual disability, specific learning disability and mental illness; (AID)
- (e) multiple disabilities from amongst persons under clauses (a) to (d) including deaf- blindness in the posts identified for each disabilities' (MD)

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It is necessary for the candidates belonging to Scheduled Caste/Scheduled tribe Category / OBC/ EWS to attach the scanned copy of the certificate regarding reserve caste issued by SDM/ Tehsildar at the time of filling the Application Form. Candidates belonging to physically challenged group of children, must attach the scanned copy of certificate issued by the competent authority stating that the child suffer from 40% or more as per the P.W.D. act 2016 disability and that the disability is of permanent/temporary nature.

Important: The candidate will be considered in general category if the above mentioned certificate does not attach with application form. Students merely wearing spectacles, and not having certificate of 40% or more as per the P.W.D. act 2016 disability, should not include themselves in low vision category.

3. Important Dates :

Stage	Area	Tentative Dates
Stage-I (to be conducted by SCERT) (State Level)	Starting date to fill application form	08-10-2020
	Last Date to fill Application Form	02.11.2020
	Admit card download date	01-12-2020
	Examination Date	13-12-2020 (Sunday)

4. Examination:

The written examination NTSE(stage-1) will consist of 200 multiple choice questions of one mark each. There will be 100 Question of Mental Ability(MAT) and 100 Question of Scholastic Aptitude Test(SAT) . Under SAT there are eight subjects:-

- 1) Physics (13 questions)
- 2) Chemistry (13 questions)
- 3) Biology (14 questions)
- 4) Maths(20 questions)
- 5) History (11 questions)
- 6) Geography (11 questions)
- 7) Civics (10 questions)
- 8) Economics (8 questions)

5. Time of the examination: The time of the examination will be from 10.00 AM to 2.00 PM.

6. Medium of examination: The medium of examination shall be Punjabi/English.

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7. **Syllabus** : There is no prescribed syllabus for NTSE Stage-1 examination. However the standard of questions shall be conforming to the level of class IX and X.

8. **Qualifying Marks**: Qualifying marks for candidates from SC, ST and PH is 32% in MAT & SAT separately and for other categories it is 40 % in MAT & SAT separately.

9. **Admission forms**:- Admission forms can be filled on school login id at Education Department portal www.epunjabschool.gov.in from 08-10-2020 to 02-11-2020. Schools can download Student's admit card from 01-12-2020.


Note :-1. There will be no negative marking in stage- 1 examination.

2. SCERT does not charge any fee for stage 1 examination

3. Only that category of the candidate will be considered which will be certified by the school head while filling the application form/ Admit card.

4. Numerical data and dates may vary depending upon the need/ circumstances.

5. If there is any change in the above then the same will be communicated through website www.ssapunjab.org . Candidates are advised to keep track of updates on the website.


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