CHANGE TO ENTRY PROCESS FOR DC970 – FAQs

- Does this mean that if I am called to interview for entrance to the PME (Primary) that I will not have to take an oral Irish Interview?
  - The Oral Irish Examination will now be held **before applying** to the programme through TEG (www.teg.ie). Applicants who are called for interview will only take a general interview.

- I did not get 65% on TEG; can I apply for the PME (Primary)?
  - You need to score 65% or higher to be eligible to apply.

- I do not have Higher Level Leaving Certificate Irish but if I get 65% or higher on TEG, can I apply for the PME (Primary)?
  - The minimum entry requirement in 2019 is a H4 in Irish at Higher Level (https://www.education.ie/en/Education-Staff/Information/-New-Teachers/-Initial-Teacher-Education-ITE-Primary.html). You are not eligible to apply for the programme if you do not meet this standard (or one of the accepted alternatives to the Leaving Certificate).

- I already have a B1 (or higher) on TEG and I have taken the examination since February 2017, do I need to retake TEG for this purpose?
  - If you have taken this examination in 2017/2018 and you scored 65% (or higher) in the Oral Irish examination, you do not need to retake the examination for this purpose.

- I already have a B1 (or higher) on TEG but took the TEG examination before 2017. Do I need to retake TEG for this purpose?
  - As you took this examination over two years ago, you will need to take the TEG Level B1 Oral Irish examination in order to be eligible to apply for the programme.

- I do not have a H4 (or higher) in Irish at Higher Level Leaving Certificate. I have a B2 (or higher) on TEG which is accepted as an alternative to the Leaving Certificate qualification. I took this examination since January 2017 (i.e. within the past two years). Do I need to take the TEG Level B1 Oral Irish examination in order to be eligible to apply for the programme?
  - Since you have successfully completed the B2 TEG examination within the previous two years, you do not have to take the TEG Level B1 Oral Irish examination.

- I do not have a H4 (or higher) in Irish at Higher Level Leaving Certificate. I have a B2 (or higher) on TEG which is accepted as an alternative to the Leaving Certificate
qualification. I took this examination prior to January 2017 (i.e. over two years ago). Do I need to take the TEG Level B1 Oral Irish examination in order to be eligible to apply for the programme?

- As you have taken this examination over past two years ago, you do need to retake TEG Level B1 Oral Irish.