

**ST. GREGORIOS INDIAN ORTHODOX JUBILEE VEDA MAHA VIDYALAYA
(THE GREAT SUNDAY SCHOOL), KUWAIT.**

SSFC EXAMINATION

Dear Parents and Students,

This is to brief you about the SSFC examination (Class X leaving examination conducted by Orthodox Syrian Sunday School Association of the East – Outside Kerala Region), its conduct and the importance of attending the same. SSFC is meant for students studying in class X in secular schools during the calendar year starting January and ending in December. At least 50% class attendance is required for a student to register as 'Regular' student and students with less than 50% attendance may be registered as 'Private' students. Private students are not eligible for any of the awards of OKR. Examination Centre is available at Devalokam, Kottayam, also.

Date of Exam: OKR announces the date of SSFC exam during January every year and the exam is normally conducted on the first or second Friday in December from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm (3 hours, one paper).

Examination: The question paper for SSFC is set and distributed in sealed envelopes by OKR which are opened in front of the students by the chief examiner 5 minutes before the exam. The answer papers are packed in front of the students after the examination and dispatched to the centralized valuation the day after the exam.

Results/Certificates: Results are published by OKR during the first week of February on the OKR website and the certificates are distributed during March.

Exam study materials and portions: SSFC students have three books to cover during the academic year. The textbook published by OSSAE Central Office, Devalokam (selected chapters), Catholicate History (selected chapters), Life History of Parumala Thirumeni (full text),

Liturgical song (selected songs), Psalms, Prayers. The exact portions are published by OKR during January every year and distributed to the students. [Copy of 2015 Rules and Regulations including the Syllabus for the units in Gulf area are available on the parish Website. The new directions will be forwarded soon.](#)

Weightage for Exam: The written examination will have only 70% weightage and the internal assessment will carry 30% marks as follows.

Class X Half Yearly exam/model exam: 10% of mark obtained for this exam is considered for the SSFC exam.

Attendance: Church and Sunday School attendance is given 5 marks if the student gets atleast 80% attendance.

Extra-Curricular Activities: If a student gets any of the first five positions of any Talents Scan item such as Elocution, Essay, Single Song, Group Song, Verse Writing, Extempore Speech the student gets 1 mark each up to a maximum of 5 marks.

Project Reports: This carries 10 marks. The project should be the original work of the student, typeset materials is not accepted; it should be handwritten and should not be copied from the internet or other materials. Projects getting full marks will have to be reviewed by the Vicar and also sent to the OKR for further valuation.

Since the effective teaching days are only 24-30 days during a year, the student is expected to cover a large portion of the study materials at home while the teachers will reinforce the study through class lectures and group discussions. Teachers may plan special classes during Fridays if they think that the portions could not be covered through regular classes.

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Mar Theodosius Gold Medal: OKR provides a gold medal sponsored by our church to the 1st and 2nd rank holders in the overall OKR region in addition to a cash award, memento and certificate. Our church provides a gold medal to the topper of SSFC in our church.

Class 10 and 12 topper awards:

In order for the Church to award a student the class 10 and 12 topper award, the parent must be a subscribing member of the parish with no arrears, the student should have passed SSFC with at least 50% marks and 50% attendance. For class 10 students, registration for SSFC exam and 50% attendance should be sufficient as long as the exam is written in the current year.

Leaving Kuwait: Our church honors students every year who leave Kuwait for their higher studies with mementos and gifts in a special send-off function. In order to be eligible to attend the send off function, the parent should be a subscribing member of the parish with no arrears and the student should have attended the Sunday School with minimum 50% attendance.

The following decisions have been made by our Sunday School for the smooth conduct of SSFC Classes.

- a. Every Thursday, Classes for SSFC Students will start at 5:15pm sharp. Students should be punctual.
- b. Student shall move straight to their classes, as they are exempted from attending the General Assembly and holding other official positions in the Sunday School and MGOCSM.
- c. The decision to appear for SSFC Examination should be confirmed to the Class Teacher on or before, Thursday, 31st March, 2016.
- d. Class 10 students will have regular classes until 1st week end of June 2016.
- e. OVBS 2016 will be held from 23rd June to 7th July, 2016, during the Ramadhan period.
- f. Parents are requested to plan your children's tuitions and summer vacations accordingly.
- g. Project work specified by OSSAE-OKR syllabus will be intimated upon receiving instructions, so that students can prepare the same during their annual vacations.
- h. Completed project work should be submitted on or before Thursday, 22nd September, 2016 to the respective Class Teachers.
- i. Classes from September to November 2016 will be dedicated for revisions, internal assessments and model examinations.
- j. The contact information of SSFC Teachers are as detailed below:-
 - i. Mr. Mathai T. Varghese. M: 50712282. E: mathai_joy@yahoo.com
 - ii. Mr. K. M. Thomas. M: 97695968. E: micklthomas@gmail.com
 - iii. Mr. Philips John. M: 99548878. E: philipsj@hotmail.com
 - iv. Mr. Shibu P. Alex. M: 99742503. E: shibualex@hotmail.com
- k. All are requested to extend whole-hearted maximum support to the SSFC Students to achieve this milestone with flying colours.

With prayers,

**Kurien Varghese
Headmaster.**