



School Expenses Assistance (FY 2020)

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Sapporo City Board of Education

The City of Sapporo provides assistance with school expenses (e.g., school supply costs, school lunch charges, school trip fees) to households with children in elementary, junior high and secondary educational schools whose income falls below the certain amount.

If you wish to receive this assistance, please read the explanation below and submit an application to the school.

Eligible households

Households residing in Sapporo City that fall under any of the following categories A-D.

Applicable requirements		Notes						
A	The household had welfare assistance (<i>seikatsu hogo</i>) cancelled or annulled on or after April, 2019	Except if the members of your household have changed from the time when you received welfare assistance.						
B	The household has received child-care allowance on or after November, 2019	Except if the members of your household have changed from the time when you received child-care allowance.						
C	All members of the household (*1) are exempt from municipal tax payment in 2019 or 2020. (or received full reduction)	All members of the household must be exempt from tax payment in the same fiscal year.						
D	<p>The total income of all members of the household (*1) between January and December 2019 (employment income, business income, real estate income, interest income, dividend income, miscellaneous income except for public pensions, capital gains, occasional income) was under the limit amounts listed below.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Excluding income from part-time job of high school students. Public pensions (national pension, welfare pension) and public benefits (child allowances, child-care allowances) are not considered income. If the households have persons who are unemployed or paid a lot of medical expenses, a certain amount may be deductible from the total amount of household income. 							
	Types of income	Residence division	No. of members of the household					
			2	3	4	5	6	7
	Households with <u>employment income only</u>	Rental	¥2,770,000	¥3,431,000	¥3,699,000	¥4,145,000	¥4,809,000	¥5,677,000
		Own a house	¥2,644,000	¥3,275,000	¥3,531,000	¥3,956,000	¥4,590,000	¥5,419,000
Households with <u>income other than from employment</u>	Rental	¥1,757,000	¥2,219,000	¥2,416,000	¥2,775,000	¥3,306,000	¥4,000,000	
	Own a house	¥1,670,000	¥2,110,000	¥2,289,000	¥2,624,000	¥3,130,000	¥3,792,000	

* "All members of the household"...persons who live together are considered members of the household even if they do not share a household budget or are not registered on the same residence certificate.

Even if the person who supports the household (e.g., a guardian) is working or has been transferred away from the family, the person is still considered a member of the household.

○ Households that do not fall under any of the above categories may still be eligible for the assistance if applicable to the following:

- Households that received a loan for welfare costs (e.g., occupational costs, skill acquisition costs, costs to prepare for skill acquisition) from the local Social Welfare Council in or after 2019.
- Households that are exempt from individual enterprise tax due to factors like disasters on or after 2019.
- Households affected by the Hokkaido Eastern Iburi Earthquake.

*Households affected by the Great East Japan Earthquake need to fall under any of the above categories A-D.

- **Households receiving School Expenses Assistance for FY 2019 also need to submit a new application form.**
- **It is not necessary for recipients of welfare assistance (*seikatsu hogo*) to submit the application form.**

Financial incentive for students in special education classrooms

Households that do not meet the criteria for school expenses assistance but have children who fall under either of the following categories may be eligible for financial incentives for students in special education classrooms (approximately half of school expenses assistance). For details, inquire at the school your children attend.

- Children enrolled in special education classrooms or attending resource rooms
(For children attending resource rooms, only the cost for transportation to the resource rooms will be provided.)
- Children in regular classes with serious disabilities or illnesses (to the extent it is desirable to be enrolled in special support education schools)

Assistance to be provided (Subject to change)

Contents below are for FY2019. They may change for FY2020.

Type of assistance(*1)	Those eligible	Assistance provided
School supplies	All children (Paid monthly for those approved halfway through the year)	Elementary (1st grade) ¥13,100 Elementary (other grades) ¥15,350 Junior high (1st grade) ¥24,800 Junior high (other grades) ¥27,050
Student council dues	All junior high school students (Paid monthly for those approved halfway through the year)	¥2,340/year
Extracurricular activity involving overnight accommodation	For students who are in grades which have extracurricular activities. (Only for those approved before the activity)	Cost for transportation and admission necessary for extracurricular activity involving overnight accommodation
School trip(s)	For students who are in grades which have school trips. (Only for those approved before the school trip)	Actual cost (certain expenses may not be included)
Sports equipment	First and fourth grade students of elementary schools and first grade students of junior high schools (with skiing, skating or judo classes who are approved by the time assistance is provided)	Elementary: supply of actual skiing or skating equipment Junior high: supply of actual skiing equipment or judo uniforms
School supplies for new students (Admission preparation allowance)	Enroll in an elementary school from the next fiscal year. Separate application necessary. Information will be made available in October.	(Elementary school admission preparation allowance) ¥50,600
	6 th grade of elementary school	(Junior high school admission preparation allowance) ¥57,400
Commuting	Students whose commuting distance is further than following. (Elementary school) April-October: one way 4km, November-March: one way 2km. (Junior high school) April-October: one way 6km, November-March: one way 3km.	Entire amount of public transportation fares *Amount paid via the most economical route and method. *Excluding the amount subsidized by other programs.
School lunches	All children	School lunches will be provided free of charge after the approved month.
Medical expenses	For tooth decay, middle ear infections, and other designated diseases which require treatment	Treatment will be provided free of charge. (Medical expenses for designated diseases only)
Japan Sport Council mutual aid premium	All children (those who are approved by May 1 st)	The premium will be free.

*1. The assistance provided differs for private, national and secondary educational schools. Please contact the section in charge mentioned below for details.

How to apply

Request and obtain an Application Form for School Expenses Assistance in FY 2018 from the school.

○ Fill out the application form, seal and attach supporting documents.

- Supporting documents vary according to the requirements for the application. For details, please refer to the instructions attached to the application form.
- Single-parent households are required to submit a copy of the child-care allowance certificate. (If the single-parent household does not receive child-care allowance, you will be contacted to confirm the reason(s) why.)

○ The deadline and where to submit are stated below. Please review the application form and attached documents once again before you submit.

Place of submission	School you attend/were admitted to *Schools children/students will attend if changing schools starting in April.
Application deadline	Children/students who will go to the same school in the following academic year. First grade students with siblings in the same school. February 17th (Mon.) (March 16th (Mon.) if you need to file an income tax return)
	First grade students without siblings in the same school Children/students who will change schools starting in April April 17th (Fri.)

○ If there is any doubt about the content of your application, investigations may be conducted as needed.

If you make any false statements in your application, you may have to return the money or items provided to you.

○ APPLICATIONS MAY BE ACCEPTED AFTER THE ABOVE DEADLINES IN THE EVENT OF A CHANGE IN HOUSEHOLD STATUS (e.g., divorce, loss of employment).

- In principal, as approval will be given from the month of the application (the day on which the application form is submitted to the school), the payment for school supplies will be made monthly and you may not be eligible for certain types of assistance.
- If there are mistakes in your application form or attached documents, approval will be delayed.

Contact information

Please contact the school of your child(ren) directly.

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