Notice Regarding School Entrance Preparation Expense Subsidy Applications for 2027 (School Expense Subsidies)

Yokohama City Board of Education

The City of Yokohama has established a system to promote education for children attending municipal elementary schools and compulsory schools by providing financial aid for expenses such as school entrance preparation, school supplies, trips, lunches, etc., to those who have financial difficulties. Regarding the school entrance expenses, the fee will be provided prior to enrollment to those who apply in advance. To apply, it is necessary to fill out the application form and the bank account form to set up direct deposit, attach a letter of attorney, and submit it to the school. It is also possible to apply for the school entrance preparation fee as part of the 2027Schooling Expense Assistance Program after enrollment. The benefit will be provided only once

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1. What are School Entrance Preparation Expenses?

The purpose of this subsidy is to assist households with children entering municipal elementary schools in covering necessary school entrance expenses such as the purchase of school satchels, etc. (This involves a screening process for reviewing the income level of the applicant, etc.)

(1) Available Payments	91,600 yen	(This figure is only intended as a general reference.)
(2) Payment Period	January, 2027	
(3) Means of Receipt	Bank transfer	
(4) Notification of Screening Results	Guardians will be notified of payment approval/non-approval results.	

2. Persons Eligible to Receive School Entrance Preparation Expenses

Families receiving public assistance benefits as of the date of application are not eligible for this program because they are scheduled to receive a school entrance allowance from the public assistance payments in March, just prior to the start of school. Also, those who have already applied in other municipalities are not eligible.

(1) Persons whose public assistance payments were terminated from April 2025
(excluding those who had their payments terminated due to change of household)
(2) Persons who are currently receiving Child Raising Allowance
(which is different from the Child Allowance and the Special Child Raising Allowance)
(3) Persons who are facing financial difficulties.
(Persons whose income is below standards will undergo a screening process).
Please see details on page 2

3. How to apply

Those who wish to apply for schooling assistance should fill out the necessary items on the “2027 New Enrollment Application for School Entrance Preparation Fee” while referring to the “Example of Application Form and Notes on Completion” on the reverse side of the application form. Please fill in the necessary information on the “Application for School Enrollment Preparation Fee for the New School Enrollment in 2027”, referring to the ①“Example of Application Form and ②Notes on Completing the Form” on the back of the application form, ③Attach the attached documents, if necessary.

Submit to: The school you plan to attend as indicated on your school attendance notification.

(※If you have a letter of permission to study outside the designated area, submit to the school indicated there).
Application period: October 23, 2026 (Fri) - November 4, 2026(Wed)
※Be sure to contact the following person in charge before submitting the application.
※If you are unable to submit the application within the above period, please apply for the school expense subsidies for the 2027school year after enrollment.

Each school's administrative staff is in charge of receiving applications.

※To guardians who plan to send their children to special-needs schools, please note that the Kanagawa Prefecture's Special Support Education Schooling Incentive Fee System cannot be used in conjunction with the Yokohama City Schooling Assistance System's Schooling Preparation Fee. Therefore, please note that if your child is approved for the Yokohama City Schooling Assistance Program, he/she will not be eligible for Kanagawa Prefecture's Special Support Education Schooling Incentive Fee.

4. Income criteria for (3) Other persons in financial need

Those whose total household income for 2025 is less than or equal to the following income thresholds. However, some deductions may be made from the income depending on the household situation and other factors. (Please refer to "Example of Application Form and Notes on Completion" ③ on the reverse side of the application form for details on households.)

[Amount of Income]

Number of family members	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Net income (in 10,000s of yen)	256	312	349	403	444	502	549	599	629

Income refers to the "Gross Income" on the taxation (non-taxation) certificate.
"For salaried employees, it is the amount shown in the "Amount after deduction of employment income" column on the withholding tax certificate, and for business income earners, it is the amount shown in the "Total income" column on the tax return.
The amount in the "Total Income" column on the tax return for business income earners."
If you are unsure whether your overall household income is within the criteria, please apply first.

Deduction of income : The following persons/households will be screened based on the amount deducted from their income.

Status		Deducted amount
A	Those with employment income, public pension income, or both.	Up to 100,000 yen from the amount of income per person (If the income is less than 100,000 yen, then that amount).
B	Single-parent households or households where the child is cared for by someone other than the parents	350,000 yen from household income

C	Households with more than one income earner	Up to 350,000 yen per income earner other than the principal income earner (If the income is less than 350,000 yen, then that amount)
D	Households with a child enrolled in an individual support class or special support school	350,000 yen per eligible person
E	Households with disabled persons (those with a disability certificate, rehabilitation certificate (″Ai no Techo″ (Therapeutic Education Handbook)), etc.)	350,000 yen per eligible person. (excluding those who fall under D).
F	Households with deductible medical expenses	The amount of medical expense deduction from household income

Example: In a household of five consisting of a father (employment income: ¥3,000,000), a mother (employment income: ¥1,700,000), a grandmother (income: ¥0), an older brother enrolled in a special support class, and the applicant, the household's total income is ¥4,700,000, and medical expense deductions amount to ¥120,000.

The total deductions are calculated as follows :
A (Father): ¥100,000 、A (Mother): ¥100,000 、C: ¥350,000 、D: ¥350,000 、F (Medical Expense Deduction): ¥120,000

The total deduction amount is **¥1,020,000**.
When this deduction is subtracted from the household's total income of ¥4,700,000, the resulting income amount is **¥3,680,000** (¥4,700,000 − ¥1,020,000).
Since this amount is below the income eligibility threshold of **¥4,030,000** for a five-person household, this household **qualifies for School Expense Assistance (Shugaku Enjo)**.

● Confirmation of income amount by withholding tax

Year of 2025 **Certificate of Withholding Tax for employment income**

Person who will receive the benefit	Address	Yokohama City〇〇Ward〇〇 1 chome 2 house number 3 room number

If income is from salary only, this amount minus a maximum of 100,000 yen. If the applicant's income is from salary only, the screening will be based on this amount minus a maximum of 100,000 yen. *If you have multiple employers or have not received a year-end adjustment, the income amount determined by the municipality will be used instead of this amount.

Classification	Amount to be paid	Amount after deduction of employment income	Total amount of income deductions
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5. Application precautions [Only for applicants under categories (2) and (3)].

About the verification of income:

If you meet any of the following conditions and agree that the Board of Education may verify your income, etc., you do not need to attach a certificate. The applicant does not need to attach a certificate if he/she meets any of the following conditions. <Declaration of intent (name, seal or signature) on the application form is required.>

【Conditions】	● Receiving (or expected to receive) Child Raising Allowance in Yokohama City (※ The applicant must be a recipient of Child Raising Allowance for the child in question.) ● Registered as a resident in Yokohama City as of January 1, 2026, and filed a tax return under the name on the Certificate of Residence

What is verification of income and consent?

In alignment with the consent of each person concerned, the Board of Education will check the details on the status in which child-rearing allowances are received and the details of tax certificates for all members of the household over the age of 18 (Born on or before April 1st , 2007). However, consent is not required for anyone to whom the above-mentioned conditions do not apply, as it is not possible to check the relevant details.

①In case of consent and [conditions] are met (Attachment of certificate is not required)

○The applicant must indicate his/her intention (seal or signature) on the application form to give consent. Please read the following notes and fill out the application form, referring to 5. The applicant (guardian) must affix his/her seal in the name field of the application form. The household members must affix their seal or signature in the "Consent" column on the right side of the name column.

②In the event that the applicant (guardian) does not agree or does not meet the [Conditions], a certificate must be attached to the application form.

The following documents must be attached.

Please refer to ⑤Example of Application Form and Notes on Completion and complete the application form with the following documents.

Reason for applying	Required Documents (Please attach the original or a copy)
(2)Persons who are receiving Child Raising Allowance	◆ Photocopy of the Child Raising Allowance Certificate (within the validity period, original is not acc
(3)Persons facing other financial difficulties	<One of the following (a), and (b) if applicable> (a) ◆Certificate of taxation (tax exemption) of municipal

Note: withholding tax certificate cannot be used if you have other sources of income. *Proof is required for all persons of 18 years of age or older who are not dependent on a family member. *We may ask you to confirm the contents of the attached documents or submit additional materials	tax, prefectural tax, and forest environmental tax for the fiscal year 2026（Without abbreviation） ◆Notification of special tax collection amount for municipal tax, prefectural tax, and forest environmental tax for the fiscal year 2026 ◆Notice of tax payment determination of municipal tax, prefectural tax, and forest environmental tax for the fiscal year 2026 Or ＜One of the following (b)＞ (b) ◆Withholding tax slips for 2025 (those that have been adjusted at the end of the year) ◆Receipts 1 and 2 of the tax return for the year 2025 （In the case of e-Tax, a confirmation slip of the contents of the tax return) (The one that has a record of receipt such as a receipt stamp)

○Filling out the application form in cases when not giving consent

The applicant (guardian) must remove the words “Also... I agree” in the application text by double line and affix his/her seal next to his/her name. Household members other than the applicant do not need to affix their seal or signature in the consent box to the right of the name field.

[Important Notes]

*Even for those who have attached documents or agreed to income verification, in cases where income cannot be verified due to divorce, separation from employment, or undeclared income, etc., the applicant may be asked to submit supplementary documents at a later date.

Please note that if we are unable to verify your household status, you will not be eligible to apply for the scholarship this time.

*Please note that only bank account transfers are accepted for receipt of the Enrollment Preparation Fee. If an incorrect account number is reported to the school, the applicant may be asked to pay the fees for recombination, correction, re-transfer, etc. when transferring the payment to the correct account.

* The payment will be transferred from the Board of Education to the applicant's account. Please confirm the transfer notice to be sent to the applicant at a later date for details such as the payment due date.

*If you have more than one child, please submit one application form, letter of attorney and bank transfer application form for bank account form for each child.

* Please be sure to contact the school to which you are applying if you plan to change schools or when you move. If you do not contact us, we may not be able to provide the allowance.

6. Frequently asked questions

Q1) Is this the only time I can apply for an enrollment preparation fee?
Answer:. No, you may still apply after your child has entered school.
For applications submitted after enrollment, eligibility will be assessed based on your 2026 income.
Please note that if you do not apply during the current application period, you may not be eligible to receive the School Entrance Preparation Allowance.
In addition, the allowance will be paid only once, either before or after school entry.

Q2) Once the application period has passed, can I no longer apply for pre-enrollment?
Answer: You cannot apply for pre-enrollment, but it is possible apply after enrollment as per Q1.

Q3) Does all applicants receive the allowance?
Answer: No. The decision will be made after screening of the circumstances of public assistance benefits, child raising allowance, etc., and the income of the household as a whole.

Q4) Who do I fill out on the application form?
Answer: Those who live in the same residence or are financially dependent on the family member(s) who earn income, are subject to screening as the same household (due to the system being equivalent to the public assistance system).
Those who live in the same household (including cases where the households on the certificate of residence are separate).
Those who do not live together due to circumstances such as a job transfer but share the same livelihood (as a general rule, parents or guardians with parental authority are included even if they maintain a separate livelihood). However, individuals who are completely financially independent, such as those undergoing divorce proceedings, are not included.

Q5) Which income period is used for screening?
Answer: The screening will be based on the total household income for the period from January 2025 to December 2025.

Q6) When will the money be transferred?
Answer: If approved, the payment will be transferred around mid-January.

Q7) Can I receive the Preparation Fee in cash?
Answer: No. The fee can only be received by bank transfer.

Inquiries:
The office staff of the school where the student is scheduled to attend as indicated on the school attendance notice (*If you have a letter of permission to attend outside the designated area, please contact the school indicated on the letter)
Yokohama City Board of Education, School Support and Community Relations Division, School Attendance Section TEL 671-3270/ FAX 681-1414