

Dear parents and guardians of children starting elementary school or junior high school in April 2026

School Expense Support Program

The program offers support for households that struggle with school-related expenses such as school supplies and enrollment preparation due to financial reasons.



1. How and when to apply

Accessible 24 hours a day

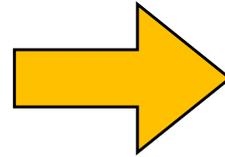
① Apply online

You can apply online.

For more information, scan the two-dimensional code on the right, or search for 福岡市 就学援助.

* Online application period:

From 10:00 a.m., on Sunday, March 1 to Sunday, May 31, 2026



② Apply in-person or by post

School your child will start attending	Where to apply	When to apply
Municipal elementary school or junior high school (Including special education classes)	At the administration office of the elementary or junior high school your child will attend from April, Educational Support Section, Board of Education Secretariat (Fukuoka City Hall 11F), or post your application to the Educational Support Section, Board of Education Secretariat. (*1)	Between Monday March 2 and Friday May 29, 2026
Prefectural or national elementary school or junior high school	At the Educational Support Section, Board of Education Secretariat (Fukuoka City Hall 11F), or post your application to the Educational Support Section, Board of Education Secretariat. (*1)	<If you are sending your application by post, it must arrive by Friday May 29, 2026.> (*2)
If you're currently receiving public assistance	You do not need to apply. <The enrollment preparation benefit will be provided through public assistance.>	
Special education school	A separate support program is available. <Contact the school directly for more details.>	
Private school		
If you're moving out of Fukuoka City/Prefecture before the end of March 2026		Not eligible.

*1. Send the required documents to the address below using a trackable postal service.

△ You must cover the postage.

Send your application to:

〒810-8621 福岡市中央区天神一丁目8番1号 福岡市教育委員会教育支援課 あて

(Fukuoka City Board of Education; 1-8-1 Tenjin, Chūō-ku, Fukuoka City, Zip Code 810-8621)

*2. Your application may still be processed outside the above application period; however, when you start receiving the payment will vary depending on the timing of your application and the conditions you meet. Moreover, some payments, such as enrollment preparation benefits, may not be available depending on the month in which you begin receiving the benefit.

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2. Who is eligible for the School Expense Support Program?

You are eligible for school expense support if you meet any of the following conditions ① through ⑥.

Conditions		Required certifying documents																					
①	Your public assistance has been discontinued or suspended but you are still struggling financially.	Public Assistance Suspension/Termination Notification																					
②	You are exempt from municipal and prefectural residence taxes , or your municipal and prefectural taxes have been approved for reduction .	In principle, no documents are required to apply, if your residence record was in Fukuoka City as of January 1, 2025. △ If not, you must submit documents, issued by the municipality of your residence as of January 1, 2025, certifying that you are exempt from municipal and prefectural taxes, or that you qualify for a reduction.																					
③	Your National Pension or National Health Insurance premiums have been fully exempt . (Excluding the insurance premium exemption for Category 1 insured persons during the child-rearing period)	Documents showing you are fully exempt from National Pension or National Health Insurance premiums, including Notification of Approval for National Pension Premium Exemption, or Notification of Decision on Approval for National Health Insurance Premium Exemption or Reduction , or other relevant documents, where applicable.																					
④	You are registered as a day laborer with Hello Work or have received loans under the Living and Welfare Fund Loan Program within one month.	Insurance book for persons insured for daily labor or Notification of Decision for a Loan under the Living and Welfare Fund Loan Program , and other relevant documents, where applicable.																					
⑤	You receive Childcare Allowance for single-parent families. (Note that this allowance is different from Child Allowance or Special Childcare Allowance.)	In principle, no documents are required to apply. △ If you live outside of Fukuoka City and receive Childcare Allowance, you must present the Certificate of Childcare Allowance issued by the municipality of your residence.																					
⑥	If your taxable income for municipal and prefectural taxes is less than or equal to the standard amount in the table below: <table border="1" data-bbox="103 913 912 1037"> <thead> <tr> <th>Fiscal year of tax certificate</th> <th colspan="6">Total amount of municipal and prefectural taxes based on income (based on number of children aged 15 or younger)</th> </tr> <tr> <th></th> <th>1 child</th> <th>2 children</th> <th>3 children</th> <th>4 children</th> <th>5 children</th> <th>6 children</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>FY2025</td> <td>¥1,049,000</td> <td>¥1,402,000</td> <td>¥1,757,000</td> <td>¥2,111,000</td> <td>¥2,466,000</td> <td>¥2,821,000</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> Children aged 15 or younger refers to those born between January 2, 2009 and January 1, 2025.	Fiscal year of tax certificate	Total amount of municipal and prefectural taxes based on income (based on number of children aged 15 or younger)							1 child	2 children	3 children	4 children	5 children	6 children	FY2025	¥1,049,000	¥1,402,000	¥1,757,000	¥2,111,000	¥2,466,000	¥2,821,000	In principle, no documents are required to apply, if your residence record was in Fukuoka City as of January 1, 2025. △ If not, you must submit documents, issued by the municipality of your residence as of January 1, 2025, certifying that you are exempt from municipal and prefectural taxes, or that you qualify for a reduction. e.g., Certificate of exemption from or reduction of municipal and prefectural taxes
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- * Certifying documents for both parents are required (except for single-parent families). If a guardian other than the child's mother or father takes care of the child, the guardian's certifying documents are required.
- * If you had an income during 2024 (January to December) but have not declared tax yet, please do so at your local ward office or tax office before you apply for the school expense support, unless the salary from your employer is the only source of income and your tax amount due is withheld from your salary to be adjusted at the end of the year.
- * Please contact the elementary or junior high school your child will be attending from April or the Educational Support Section, Board of Education Secretariat as soon as possible if it takes time to obtain the relevant documents for the application.
- * If you do not fall under ① through ⑥, but your annual income in 2026 has decreased from the previous year **due to special circumstances**, your 2026 annual income can be used for the screening. The application period is from June to July. Please contact the Educational Support Section, Board of Education Secretariat, for details. <You cannot apply at school or by post.>

3. Required documents

1. Documents proving that you meet any of the eligibility requirements listed above.

(In principle, no documents are required if you fall under ②, ⑤ or ⑥.)

2. School Expense Support Application Form (available from schools or downloadable from the Fukuoka City website)

3. A copy of the bankbook page for the account to which school expenses will be transferred, or a copy of the cash card showing that account number.

△ If you applied last year and are reapplying, you do not need to submit the bank account information.

4. Available support

	Elementary School		Junior High School		Notes
	Grades	Amount	Grades	Amount	
School Supplies	1 st	¥13,230	1 st	¥25,040	Payments will be divided into three installments to be paid at the end of each school term. (The amounts on the left are based on an application approved in April.)
	2 nd to 6 th	¥15,500	2 nd & 3 rd	¥27,310	
Enrollment	1 st	¥64,300	1 st	¥81,000	You will be paid only if you are approved for School Expense Support from the April installment.
Communication fees for online learning	¥15,000 (¥1,250/month)				Households are paid the amount on the left, regardless of the number of children. This will be paid in three installments at the end of each school term. (The amounts on the left are based on an application approved in April.)

Inquiries:

Elementary or junior high school that your child will attend from April or the Educational Support Section, Board of Education Secretariat (Telephone: 092-711-4693)

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