

To parents or guardians

## ~ Notification of Financial Assistance for School Expenses for Academic Year 2024 (Shugaku Enjo) ~

Echizen City Board of Education

In order for all children to have a fun learning experience at school, Echizen City provides financial assistance for a part of the costs of school life to households who face financial difficulties.

### 1 Requirements for Eligibility

Applicants should be registered citizens of Echizen City, or have children attending school in Echizen City and must fulfill at least one of the conditions below.

- ① Households receives public assistance (Seikatsu Hogo)
- ② Households exempt from residence tax or who are taxed only on per capita basis.
- ③ Those receiving a child rearing allowance
- ④ Households in financial hardship similar to the above  
(Please describe on application.)

### 2 Expenses covered by the program

- ① Cost of learning materials
- ② Cost of school supplies (except for 1<sup>st</sup> graders)
- ③ Field trip costs (without lodging)
- ④ Field trip costs (with lodging)
- ⑤ Cost of school supplies when starting school

(except for 1<sup>st</sup> graders who already have received assistance in March before the start of the school year)

- ⑥ School trip costs
- ⑦ School lunch fees

④ ②③⑤ is fixed amount payment,

④⑥ is covered expenses payment,

⑦ is actual expenses payment.

Please see more details on the back

### 3 Application Procedure

Residents who wish to receive this program, please fill out the application form and submit it along with the necessary documents to the school that the child attends. You can get the application form from school or Echizen City Board of Education. It can also be downloaded from Echizen City Home Page.

※Please use ballpoint pens. (Please do not use pencils or erasable pens.)

※If possible, please designate the debit account which you opened for the payment of school expenses as your children entered the schools.

※For siblings in both elementary school and junior high school, please submit one paper application to each school. Please attach the required documents to the elementary school application. (When you apply thorough the electronic service, you don't need to apply more than once.)

◎Certification is on an annual basis. Those who received the financial assistance last year and wish to receive it for this year, please submit the application again.

◎Those who have already received “Financial Assistance for Cost of School Supplies When Starting School” in March 2024 also need to submit a form if you wish to receive “Financial Assistance for School Expenses”.

”Financial Assistance for Cost of School Supplies When Starting School (Shugaku Enjo Nyugaku Jyunbikin)” is the system that will pay in advance before entering school. If

you wish to receive the other assistance for cost of school expenses, please apply again for this academic year. Since the approval will be based on the criteria for the 2024 academic year, the result may differ even if you have been accredited to receive the "Financial Assistance for Cost of School Supplies When Starting School (Shugaku Enjo Nyugaku Jyunbikin)"

★ Deadline for submission to schools (when applying by a paper form) : April 30th, 2024

#### 4 Application process

Applications will be submitted to the board of education. The board of education will make decisions as to whether you are eligible for the program or not. The result will be disclosed in early July.

The assistance will be deposited via bank transfer at the end of each semester (July 31, December 27, March 31) , 3 times per academic year. If the bank transfer doesn't work or if you have unpaid bills (cost of learning materials, cost of school supplies, field trip costs, school trip costs and school lunch fees), the principal will pay the benefit in cash.

#### 5 Month of approval

The application is accepted through the academic year and in principal, you can start receiving the assistance from the month you applied. It may start earlier or later depending on the situation of your application.

## 6 Payment details

2024 Academic year's Financial Assistance for School Expenses (currency unit : yen)								
	Elementary school				Junior high school			
	1 <sup>st</sup> semester	2 <sup>nd</sup> semester	3 <sup>rd</sup> semester	Total yearly cost (Maximum)	1 <sup>st</sup> semester	2 <sup>nd</sup> semester	3 <sup>rd</sup> semester	Total yearly cost (Maximum)
Cost of learning materials	3,870	3,880	3,880	11,630	7,570	7,580	7,580	22,730
Cost of school supplies (except for 1st graders)	750	760	760	2,270	750	760	760	2,270
Field trip costs (without lodging)	530	530	540	1,600	770	770	770	2,310
Field trip costs (with lodging)				Covered expenses (3,690)				Covered expenses (6,210)
Cost of school supplies when starting school (for 1 <sup>st</sup> graders only)	57,060			57,060	63,000			63,000
Cost of school trip				Covered expenses (40,000)				Covered expenses (90,000)
School lunch fee				Actual expenses				Actual expenses

※Covered costs of school trip are transportation fees, accommodation fees, entrance fees, and the following compulsory costs which parents pay equally, cost of photos, medicines, travel insurance, tour conductor's fee, luggage transport fee, travel guide, communications and travel handling fee.

※Those who have already received the assistance for cost of school supplies when starting school(Shugaku Enjo Nyugaku Junbikin) in March, the assistance will not be paid.

※The assistance for cost of school supplies when starting school(Shugaku Enjo Nyugaku Junbikin) is for 1<sup>st</sup> graders who applied before the end of July, it will not be paid when you apply after that date.

※Those who have received public assistance (Seikatsu Hogo), the school trip costs and school lunch fees for junior high school(except for milk fee) will be covered.

※Those who live in Echizen City and go to school outside of the city, or live outside of the city and go to school in the city, may have some restrictions on items to be paid. Please ask Kyoiku shinko-ka for further information.