

# Electronic submission of student grant applications expanded to private schools and kindergartens

A spokesman for the Education Bureau (EDB) said today (June 6) that starting from the 2024/25 school year, electronic submission (e-submission) of student grant applications will be expanded to private schools and kindergartens, covering all types of schools. Parents of all students studying in secondary day-schools, primary schools and special schools (including public sector schools, Direct Subsidy Scheme (DSS) schools, English Schools Foundation schools and private schools) as well as kindergartens offering local or non-local curriculum in Hong Kong can apply for the student grant of \$2,500 through the e-submission platform (e-platform).

"The e-platform has already covered all government schools, aided schools and DSS schools this school year. Over 60 per cent of parents of these schools have successfully applied for the student grant through the faster means offered by the e-platform. Starting from the 2024/25 school year, parents with children studying in different types of schools can make applications for all their eligible children on the e-platform in one go. They can check the application status at any time on the e-platform and upload supplementary documents where necessary. They can enjoy more efficient and expedited application and vetting services," the spokesman continued.

To submit student grant applications for the 2024/25 school year through the e-platform, parents only need to have a user account of "iAM Smart+" with a digital signing function and log in to the service platform of "e-Submission of Student Grant Applications" via the "iAM Smart" App or by clicking on [stgsesweb.edb.gov.hk](http://stgsesweb.edb.gov.hk) during the specified period in September this year.

The EDB encourages parents to register for "iAM Smart+" as soon as possible for using the e-platform in the upcoming school year. The EDB is conducting promotional activities at schools across districts with booths set up for parents to register for "iAM Smart+" on site (see attachment). Parents can make an appointment at [forms.office.com/r/UNhdWCSA0i](http://forms.office.com/r/UNhdWCSA0i). Parents may also register for "iAM Smart+" through the "iAM Smart" self-registration kiosks, registration service counters or mobile registration teams in various districts. Details can be found on the "iAM Smart" thematic website ([www.iamsmart.gov.hk/en/reg\\_location.html](http://www.iamsmart.gov.hk/en/reg_location.html)).

To learn about how to submit student grant applications through the e-platform, parents may refer to the Parent's Guide on e-Submission of Student Grant Applications on the EDB website ([www.edb.gov.hk/en/student-parents/support-subsidies/student-grant/e-submission.html](http://www.edb.gov.hk/en/student-parents/support-subsidies/student-grant/e-submission.html)). For enquiries, please contact the Student Special Support Section

Kwun Tong Office of the EDB (email: [stgenquiry@edb.gov.hk](mailto:stgenquiry@edb.gov.hk); hotline: 3850 2000). Also, a series of WhatsApp stickers on e-submission of student grant applications is available on the EDB's Smart Parent Net website ([www.parent.edu.hk/en/smart-parent-net/topics/article/2024-e-submission](http://www.parent.edu.hk/en/smart-parent-net/topics/article/2024-e-submission)). Parents are welcome to download and share the stickers with friends and family.