Kindergarten Education Scheme (Scheme)

Briefing on Applications for School Fee Revision (2024/25 School Year)

Reminder:

You may refer to EDBCM No. 1/2024 for reference.

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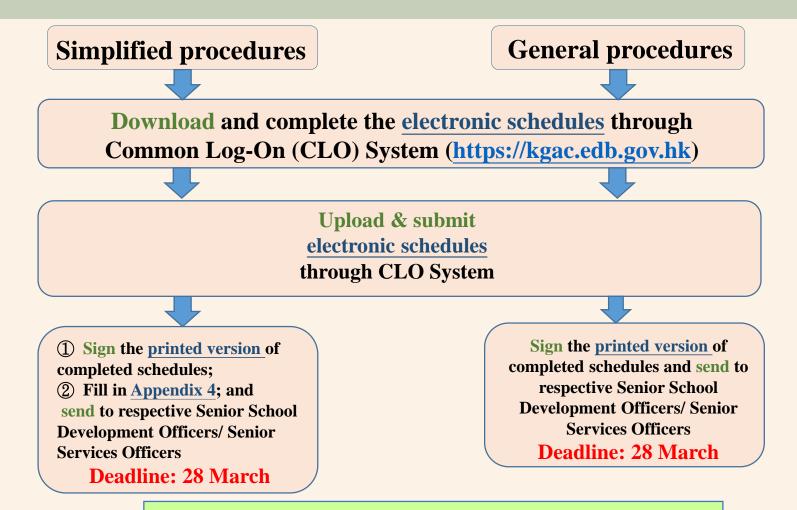
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(4) Commonly Asked Questions

(1) Application Procedures



Please refer to Paragraphs 3-7 of EDBCM No. 1/2024 for details.

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Application for Fee Revision

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Points to note before submitting application

12. School supervisors applying for fee revision for their KGs in the 2024/25 school year should note the following:

(e) Before submitting the application, KGs shall inform parents of the amount of the proposed school fees as early as possible, explain to parents the reasons for collection of school fees and take appropriate follow-up actions in light of their views and concerns.

Schedule 1A

I confirm that ONLY the expenses of the items as per Appendix 2 have been included in the school fees (if applicable) and declare as follows:

Section (i): School fees of the KG portion (please ' ' all the boxes to confirm)

 \Box My school has joined the Scheme in the 2024/25 school year.

□ I understand that if my school has been in operation in or before the 2022/23 school year, I should submit a copy of annual audited accounts for the 2022/23 year to the Education Bureau (EDB) for inspection as required. Should my school fail to do so, this fee revision application will not be processed further and EDB will take it as a fee freezing case.

Before submitting the application, my school has explained to parents the amount of the proposed school fees and the reasons for collection of school fees, and taken appropriate follow-up actions in light of their views and concerns.

□ I understand that my school should not charge school fees for HD places where various government subsidies available are sufficient to cover all operating expenses recognised by EDB. My school should submit sufficient grounds and supporting data for the fee revision application where necessary, and accept any adjustment to an appropriate level made by EDB to the approved school fees in the subsequent school years in consideration of the expenditure and the amount of government subsidies utilised under the Scheme.

(2) Key Points to Note

1. Simplified Procedures/ General Procedures

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	5	Schedule No. and Contents	Schedules to be completed by each type of application			
			Simplified Procedures		General Procedures	
			(i)	Frozen fees for all classes (Note 2)	Other applications	
			(ii)	Fee increase with the following criteria fulfilled:	(Note 1)	
				(a) KG HD classes: increase not more than	(1) No	ote to KGs
				2.1%;	havin	g withdrawn
				(b) KG WD classes:	from	the Scheme
				 Proposed annual school fees at \$11,690 or below: increase not 	but st	ill receiving
				more than \$1,500	gover	nment
				• Proposed annual school fees above \$11,690: increase not more	subsid	ly of eligible
				than 2.1%; and	studer	nts at certain
				(c) CCC and non-local KG classes: increase not more than 2.1%		s) in the
(2) Note to VC_{α}			(iii)		2024/	25 school
(3) Note to KGs applying to stay	1A	Declaration of School		\checkmark	✓ year	
in the Child		Supervisor		,		
Care Centre	1B	Schedule of Simplified Procedures		(Note 3)		
Subsidy Scheme	1C	Particulars of School Fees, Classes and Enrolment			~	
Note:		1				

- (1) If kindergartens (KGs) do not join the Scheme in the 2023/24 school year or have withdrawn from the Scheme but still receiving government subsidy of eligible students at certain level(s) in the 2024/25 school year, they should adopt the general procedures.
- (2) Including local classes, non-local classes and/or child care centre (CCC) classes. For local classes, the school fees refer to the fees after deduction of the government subsidy; for CCC classes, the school fees refer to the fees before deduction of the government subsidy.
- (3) If KGs freeze school fees and apply for staying in the Child Care Centre Subsidy Scheme, please also provide the "Estimated no. of children for 2024/25" of CCC classes by filling in Column (f) in Table 1 of Schedule of Simplified Procedures (Schedule 1B).

(2) Note to KGs operating a Child Care Centre

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EDBCM No. 1/2024)

Happy Kindergarten-cum-Child Care Centre

- Operating kindergarten and child care centre
- Kindergarten whole-day: freeze school fees
- Child care centre: freeze school fees

→ Simplified Procedures

Deadline: 28 March

Schedule 1A **Declaration of School Supervisor (P.1 of 2)**

1.	Declaration of School Supervisor of "KG/KG-cum-CCC
To:	*Senior School Development Officer () (District) / Senior Services Officer (Joint Office for Kindergartens and
	Child Care Centres)
Ι,	(Name of School Supervisor), hereby submit an application for the school
fees	and meal charges of the kindergarten for the 2024/25 school year (Please ' ' the appropriate box(es) to confirm):
	My school proposes to freeze school fees of all classes (including local KG classes, non-local KG classes and CCC
	classes) being operated in the 2024/25 school year. Thus, Schedule 1A is submitted under the simplified procedures.
	[Note: If KGs apply for staying in the Child Care Centre Subsidy Scheme, please also provide the "estimated no. of
	children for 2024/25" of CCC classes by filling out Column (f) in Table 1 of Schedule of Simplified Procedures
	(Schedule 1B).]

My school fulfils the following criteria for adopting the simplified proce ures and will submit Schedules 1A and 1B. In the 2024/25 school year, my school will: And Appendix 4

(i) increase school fees

- (a) Half-day (HD) KG classes:
 - \Box school fee increase not more than 2.1%
- (b) Whole-day (WD) KG classes:
 - \Box proposed annual school fees at \$11,690 or below, with increase not more than \$1,500
 - \Box proposed annual school fees above \$11,690, with increase not more than 2.1%
- (c) CCC and non-local classes:
 - \Box school fee increase not more than 2.1%

Joyous Kindergarten-cum-Child Care Centre

- Operating kindergarten and child care centre
- Kindergarten half-day: continue to be free
- Kindergarten whole-day: school fees +\$200 to \$8,800
- Chile care centre: school fees +0.5%

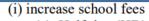
\rightarrow Simplified Procedures

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I,	(Name of School Supervisor), hereby submit an application for the school
fees and meal charges of the kindergarten for the	$\simeq 2024/25$ school year (<i>Please</i> ' \checkmark ' the <u>appropriate</u> box(es) to confirm):
□ My school proposes to freeze school fees	of all classes (including local KG classes, non-local KG classes and CCC
classes) being operated in the 2024/25 scho	ol year. Thus, Schedule 1A is submitted under the simplified procedures.
[Note: If KGs apply for staying in the Chi	d Care Centre Subsidy Scheme, please also provide the "estimated no. of
children for 2024/25" of CCC classes by f	illing out Column (f) in Table 1 of Schedule of Simplified Procedures
(Schedule 1B).]	
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My school fulfils the following criteria for adopting the **simplified procedures** and will submit Schedules 1A In the 2024/25 school year, my school will:



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- (a) Half-day (HD) KG classes:
 - \square school fee increase not more than 2.1%

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(b) Whole-day (WD) KG classes:

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- Proposed annual school fees at \$11,690 or below, with increase not more than \$1,500
- proposed annual school fees above \$11,690, with increase not more than 2.1%
- (c) CCC and non-local classes:

Delightful Kindergarten-cum-Child Care Centre

- Operating kindergarten and child care centre
- Kindergarten half-day: continue to be free
- Kindergarten whole-day: school fees +1% to \$20,000
- Child care centre: school fees +1%

\rightarrow Simplified Procedures

Schedule 1A Declaration of School Supervisor (P.1 of 2)

1. Declaration of School Supervisor of *KG/KG-cum-CCC

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Child Care Centres)					
I,	(Name of School Supervisor), hereby submit an application for the school				
fees and meal charges of the kindergarten for the	e 2024/25 school year (Please ' \checkmark ' the <u>appropriate</u> box(es) to confirm):				
 My school proposes to <u>freeze</u> school fees of all classes (including local KG classes, non-local KG classes and CCC classes) being operated in the 2024/25 school year. Thus, Schedule 1A is submitted under the simplified procedures. [Note: If KGs apply for staying in the Child Care Centre Subsidy Scheme, please also provide the "estimated no. of children for 2024/25" of CCC classes by filling out Column (f) in Table 1 of Schedule of Simplified Procedures (Schedule 1B).] 					
My school fulfils the following criteria for a In the 2024/25 school year, my school will:	adopting the simplified procedures and will submit Schedules 1A and 1B.				
(i) increase school fees					
(a) Half-day (HD) KG classes:					
\Box school fee increase not mo					
(b) Whole-day (WD) KG classes: \Box proposed appual school foos at \$11,600 or below, with increase not more than \$1,500					
\square proposed annual school fees at \$11,690 or below, with increase not more than \$1,500 proposed annual school fees above \$11,690, with increase not more than 2.1%					
(c) CCC and non-local classes:	to above \$11,090, while increase not more than 2.170				
School fee increase not mo	bre than 2.1%				

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Cheerful Kindergarten

- Operating kindergarten only
- Half-day: continue to be free
- Whole-day: school fees -\$500

\rightarrow Simplified Procedures

Declaration of School Supervisor (P.1 of 2) Declaration of School Supervisor of *KG/KG-cum-CCC

To: *Senior School Development Officer () (District) / Senior Services Officer (Joint Office for Kindergartens and Child Care Centres)

I, _____ (Name of School Supervisor), hereby submit an application for the school

fees and meal charges of the kindergarten for the 2024/25 school year (Please '\' the appropriate box(es) to confirm):

My school proposes to <u>freeze</u> school fees of all classes (including local KG classes, non-local KG classes and CCC classes) being operated in the 2024/25 school year. Thus, Schedule 1A is submitted under the simplified procedures. [Note: If KGs apply for staying in the Child Care Centre Subsidy Scheme, please also provide the "estimated no. of children for 2024/25" of CCC classes by filling out Column (f) in Table 1 of Schedule of Simplified Procedures (Schedule 1B).]

My school fulfils the following criteria for adopting the **simplified procedures** and will submit **Schedules 1A and 1B**. In the 2024/25 school year, my school will:

- (i) increase school fees (a) Half-day (HD) KG
 - (a) Half-day (HD) KG classes:
 - school fee increase not more than 2.1%(b) Whole-day (WD) KG classes:

- And <u>Appendix 4</u>
 - Deadline: 28 March
- □ proposed annual school fees at \$11,690 or below, with increase not more than \$1,500
- \Box proposed annual school fees above \$11,690, with increase not more than 2.1%
- (c) CCC and non-local classes:
 - \Box school fee increase not more than 2.1%

(ii) reduce school fees of all or some classes

Active Kindergarten

- Operating kindergarten only
- Half-day: school fees changed from free of charge to \$100 per instalment
- Whole-day: school fees +3% to \$15,300

→ General Procedures

Also applicable to KGs not joining the Scheme in the 2023/24 school year but approved in the 2024/25 school year

OR

having withdrawn from the Scheme but still receiving government subsidy of eligible students at certain level(s) in the 2024/25 school year

- □ My school fulfils the following criteria for adopting the simplified procedures and will submit Schedules 1A and 1B. In the 2024/25 school year, my school will:
 - □ (i) increase school fees
 - (a) Half-day (HD) KG classes:
 - \Box school fee increase not more than 2.1%
 - (b) Whole-day (WD) KG classes:
 - □ proposed annual school fees at \$11,690 or below, with increase not more than \$1,500
 - \Box proposed annual school fees above \$11,690, with increase not more than 2.1%
 - (c) CCC and non-local classes:
 - \square school fee increase not more than 2.1%
 - (ii) reduce school fees of all or some classes
- My school is under the following condition and hence will submit Schedules 1A, 1C, 1D, 2A, 2B, 3 and 4 under the general procedures.
 - not fulfilling the above criteria for adopting the simplified procedures
 - with classes changed from free of charge to fee-charging

- Deadline: 28 March
- not joining the Kindergarten Education Scheme (Scheme) in the 2023/24 school year Appendix 4 No need
- having withdrawn from the Scheme but still receiving government subsidy of eligible students under the Scheme in the 2024/25 school year

2. Provisional Unit Subsidies and Recommended Salary Ranges for Teaching Staff

- Provisional figures are at Appendix 3 of EDBCM No. 1/2024
- After confirmation of relevant subsidy rates and salary ranges, KGs <u>do not need</u> to re-submit the fee revision application:
 - >If the confirmed rates are higher than the provisional rates \rightarrow KGs can use the additional subsidies to adjust teachers' salary and <u>ensure that salary of teaching staff have met the</u> <u>confirmed salary ranges in the 2024/25 school year</u> (including the starting level)
 - >If the confirmed rates are lower than the provisional rates \rightarrow the difference of the teacher salary related expenses concerned will be recognised for school fee calculation during the fee revision exercise of the next school year

3. Other Income/ Expenses

Other income should **<u>NOT</u>** include:

• Items with specific purpose and non-recurrent subsidies/ grants

[E.g. Grant for Support to NCS Students, One-off Start-up Grant, Supply Teacher Grant, Staff Relief Grant for Staff taking Paid Maternity Leave, Promotion of Reading Grant for Kindergartens, Grant for Procurement of National Flag and Movable Flagpole, Home-School Co-operation Grants, Professional Capacity Enhancement Grant, One-off Parent Education Grant, Feed-in Tariff (FiT) Scheme, Lotteries Fund/ Environment & Conservation Fund, Integrated Programme in Kindergarten-cum-Child Care Centre/ Extended Hours Service, Quality Education Fund, etc.]

• Subsidies/ grants received by schools from government departments other than EDB or quasi-government organisations

Note: The corresponding income of the items above should **NOT** be included in fee revision application

3. Other Income/ Expenses (cont'd)

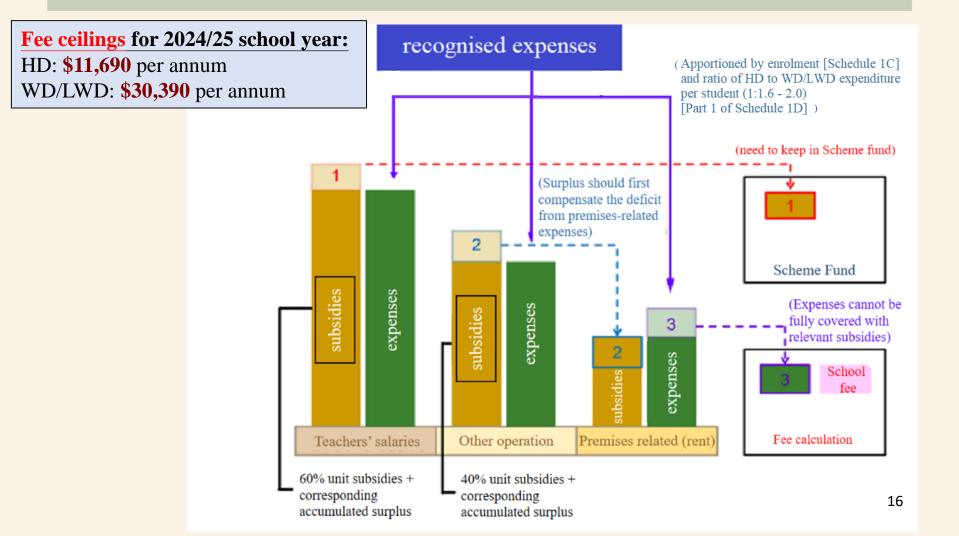
Other expenses should **<u>NOT</u>** include:

- <u>Associated expenses incurred from</u> non-recurrent subsidies/ grants or items with specific purpose
- Examples of items **NOT** recognised for fee calculation^(Note):

staff gathering/ welfare/ meal allowances, expenses related to celebration events without student participation, staff's travelling expenses and board & lodging expenses of overseas training, donations to other parties from the KG, sales of school items/ provision of paid services (e.g. interest classes, school uniforms, school bags), expenses on meals for children of whole-day courses, depreciation for rented premises, etc.

Note: whether all students will join/ use should be the key factor for consideration

4. Concept of Fee Calculation – Local KG Classes

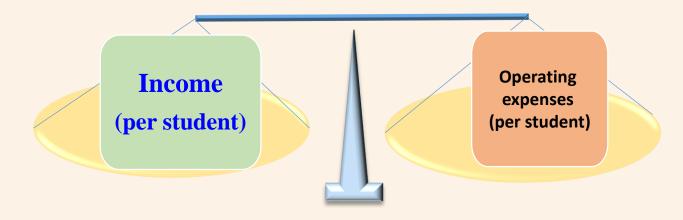


5. School Fees Before Deduction of Government Subsidies

- KGs may contact their respective School Development Officers/ Services Officers for a rough estimate of school fees so as to notify parents in advance. If necessary, KGs should submit an application in writing and briefly explain with relevant justifications.
- Examples of children who can receive education in Hong Kong but are <u>not</u> eligible for government subsidies:
 - Parents arrange their children to extend KG education to more than 3 years
 - Non-local children who are approved to receive education in Hong Kong by the Director of Immigration

6. Set "School Fees Before Deduction of Government Subsidies"

• To maintain operational sustainability:



6. Set "School Fees Before Deduction of Government Subsidies" (cont'd)

Income

• Major source of income of KGs joining the Scheme:

Fees <u>after</u> deduction of the government subsidies + government subsidies ^(Note)

➢If not receiving government subsidies: fees <u>before</u> deduction of the government subsidies

Note: Including basic HD unit subsidy, WD/LWD unit subsidy and premises related subsidies.

6. Set "School Fees Before Deduction of Government Subsidies" (cont'd)

Operating expenses

Checklist of factors to be considered:

- teacher salary related expenses
- premises related expenses
- other operating expenses
- other consideration (if any) of the school and its sponsoring body

Only expenses <u>recognised</u> by the Education Bureau can be considered in fee calculation

Example: Caring Kindergarten (operating WD kindergarten local classes only)

Income KG's proposed fees after deduction of the Government subsidies (per student) \$6,000 + \$60,000 = \$66,000		Operating expenses (per student) ≈ Fees before deduction of the Government subsidies (per student) \$66,000		
Scenario	KG's proposed fees before deduction of the Government subsidies (per student) \$	Government subsidies (per student) \$	Difference between A and B \$	Result: fees <u>after</u> deduction of the Government subsidies
	(A)	(B)	(A-B)	
1	67,000		7,000	Successful
2	66,000		6,000	\$6,000
3	63,000	60,000	3,000	<u>Approved</u> \$3,000
4	60,000		0	Fail
5	58,000		-2,000	(i.e. fees frozen at existing level)

Note: Including basic HD unit subsidy, WD/LWD unit subsidy and premises related subsidies.

6. Set "School Fees Before Deduction of Government Subsidies" (cont'd)

Attention:

• The above examples are for reference only. Neither vetting of the information submitted by the school nor other relevant calculation considerations is involved.

E.g. KG's overall financial conditions, whether the expenses are recognised for fee calculation, etc.

• With KGs' flexibility and diversity in operation, KGs should take into consideration its overall operating conditions when setting the proposed school fees.

7. Appeal

If necessary, the appeal must be made in writing <u>within</u> <u>two weeks</u> from the date of the letter on the application result of school fee revision, with sufficient justifications and all relevant documentary proof, and submitted to the respective School Development Officers/ Senior Services Officers

(3) Samples for Filling in Schedules/ Appendices

Please use the <u>"Other supplementary information" boxes in</u> <u>the electronic schedules</u> for supplementary information; attach supplementary documents together with the printed version of schedules; or contact the respective School Development Officers/ Senior Services Officers

Adopting Simplified Procedures

Schedule No. and Contents		Schedules to be completed by each type of application			
		Simplified Procedures	General Procedures		
1A	Declaration of School Supervisor	\checkmark	~		
1B	Schedule of Simplified Procedures	✓ (Note 3)			
1 C	Particulars of School Fees, Classes and Enrolment		~		
1D	Ratios for Apportionment of Expenditure		~		
2A	Particulars of Principal		✓		
2B Particulars of Teaching Staff / Child Care Workers			~		
3	Particulars of Supporting Staff		✓		
4	Schedule of Income and Expenditure		~		
5	Particulars of Meal Charges for Whole-day Classes	√*	√*		
* If app	licable	7			

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Note:

Appendix 4 : For schools adopting simplified procedures to complete and submit on or before 28 March 2024.

Appendix 4: Summary of Estimated Expenditure for the 2024/25 School Year

[For schools adopting simplified procedures to complete and submit on or before 28 March 2024]

Appendix 4

Summary of Estimated Expenditure for the 2024/25 School Year

[only applicable to kindergartens adopting the simplified procedures]

Name of *KG/KG-cum-CCC:

School Reg. No.:

(1) Ratio of HD to WD/LWD expenditure per student

HD	:	WD/LWD
1	:	

Note: The ratio of HD to WD/LWD expenditure per student should be between 1 to 1.6 and 1 to 2 and in 1 decimal place only.

(2) Ratio for overall salary of teaching staff (including principal) and related expenses

CCC (if applicable) :		Local KG Classes	:	Non-Local KG Classes (if applicable)
	:		:	

Note: The above total teacher salary and related expenses should be apportioned to KG (including local stream and non-local stream) and CCC (if applicable) according to the allocation of actual duties. The apportionment should be integers and the total should be 100%. Schools are not required to submit supporting documents for the above ratio for expenses. Nevertheless, schools should keep the relevant documents and submit them for EDB's checking upon request.

(3) Employment plan of teaching staff

(i) Principal: serving in more than one KG/KG-cum-CCC with salary (Yes / No)

If yes, please fill in the following table:

School Name	Monthly Salary (\$)
1. Name of the Main School:	
District:	

Note: For the purpose of fee calculation, the maximum total salary received by the principal (if serving in more than one KG/KG-cum-CCC) should not exceed twice the principal's salary paid by the main school. The principal who receives salary from more than one KG/KG-cum-CCC will be allowed a doubling allowance not exceeding 1/3 of the principal's salary paid by the main school for each KG/KG-cum-CCC.

(ii) Teachers: employing a number of teacher(s) more than that of required under TP ratio of 1:11 (Yes / No)

If yes, the number of extra teachers to be employed:

Refer to the ratios for apportionment of expenditure in <u>Schedule 1D</u>

Refer to Calculation sheet – Calculating Number of Teachers (Revised in November 2016)

Appendix 4 (cont'd)

i.e. non-teaching staff

e.g. "administration fees" or "supervisor's remuneration"

Unless there are special circumstances, in general, School Supervisors should <u>NOT</u> receive any remuneration – please refer to Note 4 of Appendix 3

(4)]	4) Employment plan of supporting staff					
	(a) Name of Staff (please sort by descending order in accordance with the monthly salary)	(b) Duty (e.g. teaching assistant, administrative assistant, clerk, accounting staff, janitor, cook, etc.)	(c) Full-time (1.0)/ Part-time (e.g. 0.5)	(d) Monthly Salary (\$) (including other income)		
	1.					
	2.					
	3.					
	4.					
	5.					
	6.					

Note: Other income may include double pay, bonus, cash allowances (excluding meal allowance) and contract gratuity. It should be spread evenly over 12 months and included as part of the monthly salary.

(5) Major administration expenses

Item	Total Amount (\$)	Remark
1.		
2.		
3.		

Note: If the school supervisor is assigned to perform specific duties other than those general duties as a school supervisor, and/or the KG is provided with services from its sponsoring body, please refer to Notes (4) and (5) of "References and Notes" in Appendix 3, paragraphs 4.1.2.1(5) and 4.4.3(3) of Kindergarten Administration Guide, and provide the information of the relevant duties.

(6) Plan of major repairs and maintenance (for works each costing \$8,000 or above) [only for works to kick-start in the 2024/25 school year]

Brief Description of Works	Total Amount (\$)	No. of Years for Spreading (Note)	Charged to Premises Maintenance Grant (If yes, please state the amount)
1.			
2.			
3.			

Note: The number of years of spreading is as follows:

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The total amount of major repairs and	Number of years for
maintenance incurred in the same school year	spreading the cost
\$500,000 or less	3 years
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	5 years
\$1,000,001 - \$10,000,000	10 years
\$10,000,001 or more	15 years

Adopting General Procedures

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1D	Ratios for Apportionment of Expenditure		~
2A	Particulars of Principal		✓
2B	Particulars of Teaching Staff / Child Care Workers		~
3	Particulars of Supporting Staff		✓
4	Schedule of Income and Expenditure		~
5	Particulars of Meal Charges for Whole-day Classes	√*	√*

* If applicable

Schedule 1C: School Fees, Classes and Enrolment

*For any courses with zero enrolment (applicable to KG courses only):

Calculation of school fees

• school fee increase in the same portion/ stream would be adopted

• Procedures

- 1. Fill in the course information for 2023/24 in <u>Schedule 1C</u>
- 2. Fill in with "0" for the estimated number of enrolment in 2024/25
- 3. Leave the proposed school fees in 2024/25 blank
- 4. Use "Other Supplementary Information" in <u>Schedule 1C</u> to notify the respective School Development Officers/ Services Officers

For the course(s) with zero enrolment for years, please consider cancelling the course(s) concerned.

[* Also applicable to Schedule 1B]

Schedule 1C: School Fees, Classes and Enrolment (cont'd)

• Example:

General Procedures: Schedule 1C (P.2 of 3) Particulars of School Fees, Classes and Enrolment (KG Portion)

Table 2: For nursery (K1), lower (K2) and upper kindergarten (K3) levels - Local Stream

Name of *KG/KG-cum-CCC: ______ School Reg. No.: ______

	Fees per	student per annum (p	ospa)	(d)	2023/24 (as at January 2024)	2024 (as at Septen	
(a)	(b)	(c) Proposed fees for 2024/25		Proposed	(e)	(f)	(g)
Level	Approved fees for 2023/24	Proposed fee	es for 2024/25	no. of instalments	Actual total enrolment	Estimated number of enrolment	Estimated total enrolment
	(per Fees Certificate <u>after</u> deduction of government subsidy)	(i) <u>before</u> deduction of government subsidy (Note 1)	(ii) <u>after</u> deduction of government subsidy (Note 1)	for 2024/25 (Notes 1 & 2)			(Note 3)
Classes of Local Stream	\$	\$	\$				
AM Session							
Nursery	0	55212	0	12	32	32	107
Lower Kindergarten	0	55212	0	12	39	35	
Upper Kindergarten	0	55212	0	12	35	40	
PM Session			_				
Nursery	0	55212	0	12	22	22	77
Lower Kindergarten	0	55212	0	12	30	25	77
Upper Kindergarten	0	55212	0	12	28	30	
Whole-day Session							
Nursery	8952			12	0	0	
Lower Kindergarten	8952		blank -	12	0	0	0
Upper Kindergarten	8952	Leave		12	0	0	
* Delete whichever	* Delete whichever is inappropriate		Total:	186	184	184	
Notes: 1. Proposed fees in column integer. Other supplementary information: Zero enrolment for WD classes.					umn (d), that is, the pro		

2. If the proposed no. of instalments for 2024/25 is different from that of 2023/24, prior approval of the Permanent Secretary for Education is required. For details, please contact respective School Development Officers or Services Officers.

3. The estimated total enrolment for AM, PM and whole-day sessions should be the same as the number reported in the application for rental subsidy (if any).

Schedule 1D: Ratios for Apportionment of Expenditure

Ratio for Teacher Salary and Related Expenses in Different Portions • Example: KG-cum-CCC

	Monthly	Rati	Ratio of actual duties			Monthly salary apportioned to each portion		
Rank	salary (\$)	ССС	KG Local curriculum	KG Non-local curriculum	ссс	KG Local curriculum	KG Non-local curriculum	
Principal II	47,000	0%	100%	0%	0	47,000	0	
Senior teacher	34,000	50%	50%	0%	17,000	17,000	0	
Teacher 1	29,000	0%	100%	0%	0	29,000	0	
Teacher 2	27,000	50%	50%	0%	13,500	13,500	0	
Teacher 3	26,000	0%	100%	0%	0	26,000	0	
Teacher 4	25,000	20%	80%	0%	5,000	20,000	0	
Teacher 5	25,000	0%	100%	0%	0	25,000	0	
Total :	213,000				35,500	177,500	0	

Schedule 1D: Ratios for Apportionment of Expenditure (cont'd)

School yoor	Overall Ratio for Total T	o for Total Teacher (including Principal) Salary and Related Expenses (Note 2)				
School year	CCC (if applicable)	:	: Local KG Classes		Non-Local KG Classes (if applicable)	
2023/24		:		:		
2024/25	17%	:	83%	:	0%	

35,500 ÷ 213,000	$177,500 \div 213,000$	0 ÷ 213,000
= 16.7%	= 83.3%	= 0%

Schedule 2B: Particulars of Teachers/ Child Care Workers (CCWs)/ Child Care Supervisors (CCSs)

Pay attention to whether the required teacher to pupil ratio is complied with

Child Care Centre

• 1 CCW/CCS : 11 children (aged 2-3)

Kindergarten

- On the arrangements in learning and teaching activities: 1 teacher : 15 children (principal could be included)
- 1 : 11 as the overall teacher to pupil ratio (principal <u>not</u> included)

[Please refer to Appendix 2 of EDBC No. 7/2016 for details.]

Note:

Starting from the 2022/23 school year, all Scheme-KGs are required to **employ** sufficient teachers possessing **C(ECE)** or above qualifications based on the teacher to pupil ratio of 1:11.

[Please refer to EDBC No. 12/2020 for details.] ³³

Schedule 2B: Particulars of Teachers/ Child Care Workers (CCWs)/ Child Care Supervisors (CCSs) (cont'd)

Pay attention to whether the rank of teaching staff is reasonable

- Refer to the <u>calculation sheet</u> <u>Calculating Number of Teachers</u> (Revised in November 2016)
- If it is estimated that enrolment will decline, KG's plan to retain the current rank and salary for their principal/ senior teachers may lead to significant increase in school fees and parents' financial burden. The school should consider rearranging manpower and resources. EDB will exercise prudence to strike a balance among various factors.

Schedule 3: Particulars of Supporting Staff

- If a supporting staff member is employed for the sale of school items/ provision of paid services as trading operations, the related salary expenditure should <u>NOT</u> be included in fee revision applications
 - → should <u>NOT</u> be reported in <u>Schedule 3</u> e.g. Tutors of Interest Classes, School Bus Driver
- Expenditure on salary of staff providing whole-day meal services or expenditure on salary of staff paid by the Grant for Support to NCS Students, Supply Teacher Grant and Staff Relief Grant for Staff Taking Paid Maternity Leave
 - \rightarrow should **<u>NOT</u>** be included in fee revision applications
 - \rightarrow should **<u>NOT</u>** be reported in <u>Schedule 3</u>
- Observe relevant stipulations & guidelines on Statutory Minimum Wage (SMW)
 - Homepage of Labour Department http://www.labour.gov.hk/eng/news/mwo.htm
 - The statutory minimum wage rate:
 - Currently \$40 per hour

Schedule 4: Schedule of Income and Expenditure

(1) <u>Schedule 4</u> - Fill in the total amount of income and expenditure for the whole school (including CCC, local KG classes and non- local KG classes)	2022/23 accounting year Actual Amount (per annual	2023/24 Revised Estimate	2024/25 Estimate <i>(Note 1)</i>	
	audited accounts]	S	\$	(2) Please refer to the
INCOME	y	φ		× /
1. teacher salary related subsidy				provisional amount
1.1 60% of basic unit subsidy (<i>Note 2</i>)				of rental subsidy per
1.2 tide-over grant				month in the
1.3 accumulated surplus of respective subsidy (<i>Note 3</i>)				application form of
2. premises related subsidy	1			rental subsidy, and
2.1 rental subsidy/rent reimbursement (if applicable)				then multiply it by
(Note 2)				12 months for an
2.2 rates and Government rent reimbursement (if				
applicable)				estimated annual
2.3 Premises Maintenance Grant (if applicable) (Note 2)				figure (Income 2.1)
2.4 accumulated surplus of respective subsidy (Note 3)				
3. other operating expenses related subsidy				
3.1 40% of basic unit subsidy (<i>Note 2</i>)				
3.2 accumulated surplus of respective subsidy (<i>Note 3</i>)				
4. CCCSS subsidy (if applicable)			† (3) Should ta	ally with the no. of
5. other subsidies for child care services (if applicable)	11			orted in Schedule 1C
5.1 SME				1.2, 2.3 and 3.1)
5.2 SOE			(Income 1.1,	1.2, 2.3 and 3.1)
5.3 SAS				
6. school fees from parents (including fee remission under				include items with
the Kindergarten and Child Care Centre Fee Remission			specific purp	pose or non-recurrent
Scheme but <u>excluding</u> income from meal charges)			income (Inco	ome 8)
7. donation income (Note 4)				,
8. others (such as contribution from school sponsoring			C I	36
body, bank interest, etc.) (Note 5)				50

<u>Schedule 4</u>: Schedule of Income and Expenditure (cont'd)

	EX	P
If the expenditure of the	3.	0
works is partly covered by:		3
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Premises Maintenance		
Grant		3
Please include the amount		
incurred in Expenditure 2.4.		
The rest of difference		3
should be aggregated with		5
other expenditure of works		3.
starting in the same school		3.
year for spreading the		

amount evenly over years in Expenditure 3.3.

Renovation Grant or Relocation Grant Only the <u>uncovered</u> <u>amount should be</u> aggregated with other expenditure of works starting in the same school year for spreading the amount evenly over years in Expenditure 3.3.

EXPENDITURE 3. other operating expenses 3.1 salary related expenses of supporting staff (excluding cooks and supporting staff paid by Grant for Support to NCS Students, Supply Teacher Grant and Paid Maternity Leave for Staff and Staff Relief Grant) 3.2 long service payment/severance payment for supporting staff (excluding cooks and supporting staff paid by Grant for Support to NCS Students,	 (5) Other operating expenses (Expenditure 3.3 - 3.5) : Only fill in with amounts of major repairs and maintenance / fixed assets apportioned in the corresponding school year
 Supply Teacher Grant and Paid Maternity Leave for Staff and Staff Relief Grant) 3.3 spreading of major repairs and maintenance (for items each costing \$8,000 or above) but excluding items already reported under item 2.4 (<i>Note 7</i>) 	
3.4 depreciation of fixed assets charged under Kinderg r 3.4.1 furniture/equipment/fixtures/fittings 3.4.2 computer hardware and software 3.4.3 leasehold improvements	ten Education Scheme Funds (Note 6)
3.5 depreciation of fixed assets charged under School Fur 3.5.1 furniture/equipment/fixtures/fittings 3.5.2 computer hardware and software 3.6 teaching consumables	nds (Note 6)
3.7 expenses on regular learning activities for all students 3.8 water and electricity	
3.9 supervisor's remuneration (if applicable) (Note 8) 3.10 set-up expenses (if applicable) (Note 9)	
3.11 other expenses (<u>excluding</u> relevant expenditure on items with specific purpose or non-recurrent grants, e.g. Grant for Support to NCS Students, One-off Start-up Grant, Supply Teacher Grant, Paid Maternity Leave for Staff and Staff Relief Grant, Promotion of Reading Grant for Kindergartens, Grant for Procurement of National Flag and Movable Flagpole, Home-School Co-operation Grants, Professional Capacity Enhancement Grant, One-off Parent Education Grant and Feed-in Tariff	
(FiT) Scheme) (Note 5 and Note 10)	

<u>Schedule 4</u>: Schedule of Income and Expenditure (cont'd)

EXPENDITURE				
3. other operating expenses				
3.1 salary related expenses of supporting staff (excluding cooks and supporting staff paid by Grant for Support to NCS Students, Supply Teacher Grant and Paid Maternity Leave for Staff and Staff Relief Grant)				(7) Other expenses (Expenditure 3.11) :
 3.2 long service payment/severance payment for supporting staff (excluding cooks and supporting staff paid by Grant for Support to NCS Students, Supply Teacher Grant and Paid Maternity Leave for Staff and Staff Relief Grant) 3.3 spreading of major repairs and maintenance (for 				For schools procuring any forms of administration support services from their
items each costing \$8,000 or above) but excluding				sponsoring bodies or other
items already reported under item 2.4 (<i>Note 7</i>) 3.4 depreciation of fixed assets charged under Kinderg 3.4.1 furniture/equipment/fixtures/fittings	\square (o) Excep	ot some speci	· · · · ·	organisations, they should separately provide information
3.4.2 computer hardware and software	🕇 in genera	l, school sup	ervisors	on the nature, justifications,
3.4.3 leasehold improvements	receive N	O remunera	tion.	manpower involved and
3.5 depreciation of fixed assets charged under School I 3.5.1 furniture/equipment/fixtures/fittings 3.5.2 computer hardware and software	(Expendi	ture 3.9) – R f Appendix 3	lefer to	breakdowns of the cost.
3.6 teaching consumables			-	
3.7 expenses on regular learning activities for all students				
3.8 water and electricity				
3.9 supervisor's remuneration (if applicable)				
(Note 8)				
3.10 set-up expenses (if applicable) (<i>Note 9</i>)				-
3.11 other expenses (excluding relevant expenditure on items with specific purpose or non-recurrent grants, e.g. Grant for Support to NCS Students, One-off Start-up Grant, Supply Teacher Grant, Paid Maternity Leave for Staff and Staff Relief Grant, Promotion of Reading Grant for Kindergartens, Grant for Procurement of National Flag and Movable Flagpole, Home-School Co-operation Grants, Professional Capacity Enhancement Grant, One-off Parent Education Grant and Feed-in Tariff				
(FiT) Scheme) (Note 5 and Note 10)				3

Schedule 4: Schedule of Income and Expenditure (cont'd) Expenditure 3.4 and 3.5 - Depreciation of Fixed Assets

• Similarities and differences for the depreciation charged under KG Scheme Fund and School Fund

Category	KG Scheme Fund (Expenditure 3.4)	School Fund (Expenditure 3.5)		
(1) Suggested depreciation rates	Premises: 2.5% Leasehold improvements: 10%	Not applicable		
	Furniture/Equipment/Fixtures/Fittings: 20% Computer hardware and software: 30%			
(2) The treatment of assets upon the closure or withdrawal from the Scheme	The assets shall be at Government's discretion for disposal (excluding premises and leasehold improvements)	The assets shall be at School's discretion for disposal		
(3) Calculation of school fees	The amount concerned would be considered in the calculation of school fees for <u>all</u> portions	The amount concerned would be considered in the calculation of school fees for <u>non-local KG</u> <u>classes and CCC classes</u> (if any)		

(4) Commonly Asked Questions



Enquiries

 Application for Fee Revision
 The Respective School Development Officers / Services Officers



- Accounting Matters / Filling in Electronic Schedules
 Management Services Section, Finance Division 2892 6530
- Refined Arrangement for the Surplus of Unit Subsidy and Special Arrangement for the Uplifting of Reserve Ceiling of Accumulated Surplus Kindergarten Administration 2 Section 2892 6365
- EDBCM No. 1/2024

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