

Life-wide Learning and Sister School Grant (LWLSSG)

Rates for the 2026/27 School Year

Public sector schools (excluding special schools)

School Level	Life-wide Learning Grant component (per student per annum)	Sister School Grant component (per school per annum) (for schools having formed sister school(s) with the Mainland counterparts(s) only)
Primary	\$990	\$148,500
Secondary	\$1,350	

Note:

The aggregate amount of the LWLSSG for each school is subject to an upper limit while the amount for each school (excluding special schools) is no less than \$300,000. Please refer to EDB Circular No. 9/2025 for details.

Special schools

School Level	Life-wide Learning Grant component		Sister School Grant component (per school per annum) (for schools having formed sister school(s) with the Mainland counterparts(s) only)
	School-based Provision (per school per annum)	Class-based Provision (per class per annum)	
Primary	\$160,154	\$26,691	\$165,439
Secondary		\$44,844	

DSS schools

With effect from the 2026/27 school year, for DSS schools, the LWLSSG is subsumed in the DSS unit subsidy rates¹. When planning the resources available for life-wide learning and sister school exchange activities and calculating the upper limit on expenses on food and beverage for reception in relation to exchange activities with Mainland sister schools taking place in Hong Kong², DSS schools should refer to the grant rates for the public sector schools above for calculation.

¹ DSS subsidy is calculated based on the average unit cost of an aided school place. With effect from the 2026/27 school year, the arrangements of upper and lower limits on the aggregate amount of LWLSSG stated in the note above do not apply to DSS schools.

² The annual total expenditure on food and beverage for reception in relation to exchange activities with Mainland sister schools taking place in Hong Kong should not exceed 5% of the provision for the Sister School Grant component for the respective school year. The upper limit on such expenditure for DSS schools should be calculated as 5% of the rate of the Sister School Grant component for public sector schools for the respective school year.