

Cost of Living Grant to support Post-Primary Schools in the Free Education Scheme

1. Introduction

[Circular 0056/2023](#) advises that additional funding is being provided as part of the Budget 2024 cost of living measures. This is to ensure financial supports are available for recognised post-primary schools in the Free Education Scheme to meet additional energy costs and other increased day to day running costs.

The first instalment of this grant will be issued to schools shortly. The balance of the grant will be issued in 2024.

2. Main features of the grant

- The grant will be calculated based on recognised pupil enrolment at 30th September 2022.
- Enhanced rates are payable in respect of pupils attending special schools and special classes and traveller pupils attached to mainstream schools.
- It is expected that schools should not have to seek additional voluntary contributions from parents.
- Board of managements should continue to seek support in relation to procurement for bulk heating fuels and electricity rates from the Schools Procurement Unit website www.spu.ie

3. Rates

3.1 Full Cost of Living Grant rates for 2023/2024

Full Cost of Living Grant per-capita rates for post-primary schools in the Free Education Scheme	
Grant Type	Rate
Standard Grant	€75.00
Special Class Grant	€53.00
Traveller Grant	€57.00

3.2 First instalment rates – to be issued shortly

Per-capita rates for the first instalment of the Cost of Living Grant for post-primary schools in the Free Education Scheme	
Grant Type	Rate
Standard Grant	€25.00
Special Class Grant	€18.00
Traveller Grant	€19.00

Example of first instalment of the Cost of Living Grant for post-primary schools in the Free Education Scheme	
Pupil Enrolment	Value of Grant
200	€5,000
400	€10,000
600	€15,000
800	€20,000
1000	€25,000
1600	€40,000

Note: Calculations in this table are based on the standard mainstream rate

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4. Financial Oversight

The grant income should be recorded appropriately in the school's accounts. The following accounting code must be used to record the grant receipt.

Nominal Code	Description	Type	Category
3289	Once-Off Cost of Living Grant	Income	Department of Education

The expenditure can be recorded to the appropriate existing nominal account for example 5510 Heating Expense or 5550 Light and Power Expense.

Any queries in relation to the [Circular 0056/2023](#) should be emailed to Schools Division Financial at sdfinfo@education.gov.ie

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27th October 2023

Deontas Costais Maireachtála chun tacú le hIar-Bhunscoileanna Scoileanna sa Scéim Oideachais Saor in Aisce

1. Réamhrá

Tugtar le fios i [gCiorclán 0056/2023](#) go bhfuil maoiniú breise á sholáthar mar chuid de bhearta costais mhaireachtála i mBuiséad 2024. Déantar é seo chun a chinntiú go mbeidh tacaíochtaí airgeadais ar fáil d'iar-bhunscoileanna aitheanta sa Scéim Oideachais Saor in Aisce chun freastal ar chostais bhreise fuinnimh agus costais reatha mhéadaithe eile ó lá go lá.

Eiseofar an chéad tráthchuid den deontas seo do scoileanna go luath. Eiseofar iarmhéid an deontais in 2024.

2. Príomhghnéithe an deontais

- Déanfar an deontas a ríomh bunaithe ar rollú daltaí aitheanta amhail an 30 Meán Fómhair 2022.
- Tá na rátaí feabhsaithe iníoctha i gcás daltaí atá ag freastal ar scoileanna speisialta agus ranganna speisialta agus daltaí den Lucht Siúil atá ag freastal ar scoileanna príomhshrutha.
- Táthar ag súil nach mbeadh ar scoileanna ranníocaíochtaí deonacha breise a lorg ó thuismitheoirí.
- Ba cheart do bhoird bhainistíochta leanúint ar aghaidh ag lorg tacaíochta maidir le ollsholáthar um bhreoslaí téimh agus rátaí leictreachais ó shuíomh gréasáin an Aonaid um Sholáthar Scoileanna www.spu.ie

3. Rátaí

3.1 Rátaí Iomlána don Deontas Costais Maireachtála le haghaidh 2023/2024

Rátaí Iomlána in aghaidh an duine don Deontas Costais Maireachtála d'iar-bhunscoileanna sa Scéim Oideachais Saor in Aisce	
Cineál an Deontais	Ráta
Deontas Caighdeánach	€75.00
Deontas Ranga Speisialta	€53.00
Deontas don Lucht Siúil	€57.00

3.2 Rátaí na chéad tráthchoda – le heisiúint go luath

Rátaí in aghaidh an duine don chéad tráthchuid den Deontas Costas Maireachtála d'iar-bhunscoileanna sa Scéim Oideachais Saor in Aisce	
Cineál an Deontais	Ráta
Deontas Caighdeánach	€25.00
Deontas Ranga Speisialta	€18.00
Deontas don Lucht Siúil	€19.00

Sampla den chéad tráthchuid den Deontas Costais Maireachtála d'iar-bhunscoileanna sa Scéim Oideachais Saor in Aisce	
Líon na nDaltaí ar an Rolla	Luach an Deontais
200	€5,000
400	€10,000
600	€15,000
800	€20,000
1000	€25,000
1600	€40,000

Tabhair do d'aire: Tá na ríomhanna sa tábla seo bunaithe ar an ráta caighdeánach príomhshrutha

Eiseofar an chéad tráthchuid den deontas seo do scoileanna go luath. Eiseofar iarmhéid an deontais in 2024.

4. Maoirseacht Airgeadais

Ba cheart an t-ioncam deontais a thaifeadh go cuí i gcuntais na scoile. Ní mór an cód cuntasáíochta seo a leanas a úsáid chun admháil an deontais a thaifeadh.

Cód Ainmniúil	Cur síos	Cineál	Catagóir
3289	Deontas Costas Maireachtála Aonuaire	Ioncam	An Roinn Oideachais

Is féidir an caiteachas a thaifeadh ar an gcuntas ainmniúil cuí atá ann cheana féin, mar shampla 5510 Costais Téimh nó 5550 Costas Solais agus Cumhachta.

Ba cheart aon cheisteanna maidir leis an [gCiorclán 0056/2023](#) a sheoladh chuig Rannán Airgeadais na Scoileanna ag sdinfo@education.gov.ie

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