



## The educational package

offered by the city and the  
jobcenter of Eisenach.

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## Information on the educational package

The educational package promotes and supports children and youths from low income families. The financial situation of families often makes it impossible that children join a sports club, participate in other activities, have lunch at nursery school, school, or day care center, or take part in school excursions. The educational package helps to avoid that. Please read the following for more details.

### Who is entitled to the educational package?

Children who have not yet completed their 25th year of life, attend a school providing general or vocational education and receive no vocational training pay (students) may be entitled to these benefits if they or their parents receive:

- unemployment benefits (ALG II) or income support or
- social welfare benefits or
- asylum seekers benefits or
- children`s allowance or
- housing benefits.

This does not apply for benefits for participating in art, culture, sports, play and leisure - in these cases the age limit is 18 years.

Also persons who can earn their living but are not able to pay the above-mentioned benefits of the educational and participation package with their own means and efforts qualify for the benefits. Please note that in the latter cases you will be asked to submit further documents regarding your personal and economic situation.

### How will your child be supported:

- **School supply:**  
For school supplies like pens, exercise books, watercolors or school bags you receive 70 Euros on August 1 and 30 Euros on February 1 of each year.
- **Art, culture, sports, play and leisure:**  
Children and youths up to the age of 18 are entitled to 10 Euros per month for fees (e.g. membership fees for the soccer club or participation fees for the flute group).
- **Lunch in nursery school or day care center:**  
If a warm meal is served at school, nursery school, school or day care center, your child can now participate. You receive a grant in addition to your own share of one Euro.
- **Day trips and school excursions:**  
The educational package covers the costs actually incurred for school excursions and multi-day class trips in line with the school regulations for students and children in day care and nursery schools.
- **Learning support:**  
Learning support is granted to students who do not reach their learning targets or who are likely to fail and have to repeat a year. Covered are the costs corresponding to the local prices for learning support.
- **School transport:**  
For students who attend the nearest school offering the educational program chosen (usually applicable for high school students) either all costs for school transport are borne or, if the ticket can also be used for other journeys, students receive an allowance. This requires that the transportation to the nearest school is necessary and that the costs are not borne by another authority.

If the personal prerequisites are met, the benefits for education and participation are directly settled with the respective provider, i.e. the benefits will not be paid to you in cash. Your entitlement to benefits will be treated confidential. Only the amount for personal school supply and the costs for school transport will be paid to you in cash.

### **Where can I apply for the benefits?**

Since the benefits are not paid automatically, you have to apply for them. The application must be filed once and the new notification of benefit payments must then be presented after expiration of each period in which benefits were received.

For more detailed information about the educational package and advice on your personal entitlement to benefits and the corresponding application, please contact:

Municipal administration (Stadtverwaltung) Eisenach  
Social welfare office (Sozialamt)  
Markt 22, Room 49  
Telephone: 03691/ 670 433, 437

### **Our opening hours:**

Monday 9:00 – 12:00

Tuesday 9:00 – 12:00 and 14:00– 15:30

Wednesday closed

Thursday 9:00 – 12:00 and 14:00 - 18:00

Friday 9:00 - 12:00

### **On the Internet:**

[www.eisenach.de](http://www.eisenach.de) -> Rathaus/Verwaltung -> Dezernat II ->

Sozialamt

### **What do I have to bring?**

Please bring your current notification of entitlement to benefits which is required for receiving benefits for your child (e.g. notification of payment of unemployment benefits (ALG II)).

### **Note on our own behalf:**

We ask you in the interest of your children to make use of these benefits and to contact the social welfare office of the city of Eisenach where you will receive detailed advice regarding the benefits.