

EDB¹. The SSBs concerned should be responsible for monitoring and coordinating the related service, and undertaking appropriate measures to ensure the service quality.

5. The EDB will provide the base schools employing EPs with the SBEPS Grant² on a recurrent basis, for related expenditures including the hiring of professional supervision for EPs, service coordination and general expenses such as office utilities, replenishment of furniture and equipment, etc. In addition, the base schools awarded new EP posts are provided with the One-off Set Up Grant³ for the purchase of furniture, information technology equipment, test materials, reference books and resource packages. This grant is provided on a reimbursement basis. Both the SBEPS Grant and the One-off Set Up Grant are not applicable to schools receiving the SBEPS or the Enhanced SBEPS provided by the EDB.

Details of Application for the Enhanced SBEPS

6. Schools may discuss with the school-based EP about whether to apply for the Enhanced SBEPS in the 2020/21 school year. Schools applying for the service for the first time should complete the Application Form (Appendix 1) and send it to the Educational Psychology Service (Hong Kong) Section on or before 4 February 2020 by post. Late applications will not be considered.

7. Schools which have applied for the Enhanced SBEPS in 2016, 2018 or 2019 but not selected for the provision will automatically be considered by EDB whether to be provided with the Enhanced SBEPS in the 2020/21 school year. These schools do not have to apply again. If schools would like to update or provide supplementary information, they may complete the Form for Updating of Application Information (Appendix 2) and send it to the Educational Psychology Service (Hong Kong) Section on or before 4 February 2020 by post. If necessary, EDB will contact individual schools to understand their service needs. Moreover, schools currently provided with the Enhanced SBEPS do not have to apply again.

8. In selecting schools for the Enhanced SBEPS in the 2020/21 school year, the EDB will consider various factors including the number of students with SEN, its proportion to the student population of the school, the number of students requiring individual support, and the specific conditions of schools. Schools selected for the Enhanced SBEPS will be notified

¹ Schools allocated by the EDB may not necessarily belong to the same SSB of the base school.

² The SBEPS Grant is put under the Special Domain of the “Operating Expenses Block Grant” or as a school-specific grant under the “Expanded Operating Expenses Block Grant” and its rate is subject to adjustment in accordance with the annual movement of the Composite Consumer Price Index (CCPI). The rate of the Grant in the 2019/20 school year is \$108,000.

³ The One-off Set Up Grant should be used within 12 months in which an EP is first appointed to the given post and reimbursement should be made within the timeline. The rate of the Grant in the 2019/20 school year is \$74,252 and it is subject to adjustment in accordance with the annual movement of the CCPI.

individually by mid-May 2020. Basically, the EDB will arrange the SSB of the school or the current provider of the SBEPS to provide the Enhanced SBEPS to selected schools. If necessary, such as owing to EP manpower allocation, the EDB may arrange schools to receive the service from the EDB or other service providers. In special circumstances, the EDB may postpone the provision of the related service to individual schools. Schools not selected for the Enhanced SBEPS will continue to receive the original mode of the SBEPS.

Enquiry

9. For enquiries, please contact Ms Wong Yuet-shan of the Educational Psychology Service (Hong Kong) Section at 3695 0486.

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for Secretary for Education

- Appendix 1: Enhanced School-based Educational Psychology Service – Application Form (2020/21 school year) (For completion by schools making the first application)
- Appendix 2: Enhanced School-based Educational Psychology Service – Form for Updating of Application Information (2020/21 school year) (For use by schools which have made applications for Enhanced SBEPS)

**Enhanced School-based Educational Psychology Service
Application Form (2020/21 school year)**

(For completion by schools making the first application)

If schools wish to apply for the above service, please complete this application form and send it to the following address **on or before 4 February 2020** by post:

Educational Psychology Service (Hong Kong) Section
Education Bureau
Unit 1702, 17/F., Crocodile Center
No.79 Hoi Yuen Road, Kwun Tong, Kowloon

1. Our school would like to apply for the Enhanced SBEPS.
2. Our school would like to provide the following supplementary information (if applicable) for the EDB's consideration:

School Name: _____

School Sponsoring Body: _____

School Address: _____

Contact Person: (Name) _____ (Post) _____

Telephone no.: _____ Fax no.: _____

School Chop

Name of School Head: _____

Signature of School Head: _____

Date of Signature: _____

Enhanced School-based Educational Psychology Service
Form for Updating of Application Information (2020/21 school year)
(For use by schools which have made applications for the Enhanced SBEPS)

If schools wish to update or supply information for the above service, please complete this application form and send it to the following address **on or before 4 February 2020** by post:

Educational Psychology Service (Hong Kong) Section
Education Bureau
Unit 1702, 17/F., Crocodile Center
No.79 Hoi Yuen Road, Kwun Tong, Kowloon

Our school would like to update or supply the following information for the EDB's consideration:

School Name: _____

School Sponsoring Body: _____

School Address: _____

Contact Person: (Name) _____ (Post) _____

Telephone no.: _____ Fax no.: _____

School Chop

Name of School Head: _____

Signature of School Head: _____

Date of Signature: _____