

# education and participation package

Does your child want to play sports in a club or take part in a vacation camp? Does your child need learning support or financial help to finance the upcoming class trip?

If you personally are not in a position to make these things possible for your child, you can apply for benefits from the education and participation package.

## **Competent Department**

- Gesamtstädtische Koordination Bildung und Teilhabe
- Amt für Soziale Dienste Sozialzentrum 2 Gröpelingen / Walle Bildungs- und Teilhabepaket
- Amt für Soziale Dienste Sozialzentrum 4 Süd Bildungs- und Teilhabepaket
- Amt für Soziale Dienste Sozialzentrum 5 Vahr/ Schwachhausen/ Horn-Lehe Bildungs- und Teilhabepaket
- Amt für Soziale Dienste, Fachdienst Flüchtlinge, Integration & Familien
- Jobcenter Bremen Geschäftsstelle Mitte
- · Jobcenter Bremen Geschäftsstelle West
- · Jobcenter Bremen Geschäftsstelle Nord
- Jobcenter Bremen Geschäftsstelle Süd
- Jobcenter Bremen Geschäftsstelle Ost I
- Jobcenter Bremen Geschäftsstelle Ost II
- Der Senator für Kinder und Bildung | Schulen der Stadtgemeinde Bremen
- Amt für Soziale Dienste Sozialzentrum 1 Nord Bildungs- und Teilhabepaket

### **Basic information**

The legal entitlement to benefits includes the following benefits in detail:

- Sports, culture and leisure: To enable children to take part in sports, games and cultural activities, 15 euros per month are available per child for contributions, fees and, if necessary, equipment.
- Lunch at daycare center and school. Participation in a child's lunch is free of charge.
- School supplies: For school materials such as satchels, pens and exercise books, 130
  euros are granted for the first half of the school year and 65 euros for the second half
  of the school year.
- Learning support: If a child is not keeping up in class and is at risk of failing, they are entitled to appropriate learning support. The prerequisite is that the school confirms the need and that there are no comparable offers.
- Day trips and school trips: The costs for day trips from daycare or school are covered.
   Excursions/class trips lasting several days are also paid for. These services are invoiced directly by the respective school or day care center.
- School transport: From 01.01.2022, children and young people up to the age of 18 can use local public transport within Bremen free of charge, so that no further school

transport is provided. Pupils aged 18 and over will have their travel costs to school covered, provided the school is a reasonable distance from their place of residence and the costs are not covered elsewhere. Applications are available from the schools.

### Requirements

Receipt of benefits according to:

- Social Security Code Book Two (Citizen's Allowance)
- Book Twelfth of the Social Code (social assistance/security for old age and reduced earning capacity)
- Asylum Seekers' Benefits Act
- Housing Allowance Act (rent subsidy/burden subsidy)
- Federal Child Benefit Act (child supplement)

### **Procedure**

The application to the Bremen Jobcenter for citizen's allowance benefits in accordance with Book II of the German Social Code and for social assistance and basic income support in the event of reduced earning capacity in accordance with Book XII of the German Social Code and for benefits in accordance with the Asylum Seekers' Benefits Act. Book and benefits under the Asylum Seekers Benefits Act at the Office for Social Services also includes benefits for education and participation for children, adolescents and young adults. Adolescents and young adults aged 16 and over must provide proof of school attendance.

Families who receive housing benefit or the child supplement must submit the relevant evidence to the Social Services Office in order to claim this benefit.

In order to claim the benefits for education and participation, the entitled person is issued with a "Bremen Pass". As a rule, the Bremen-Pass is issued directly in person when the application is made. If a written application is made by post, the Bremen Pass will be sent.

The benefits are then generally approved.

# Legal bases

- Sozialgesetzbuch Zweites Buch (SGB II)
- Asylbewerberleistungsgesetz (AsylbLG)
- Wohngeldgesetz (WoGG)
- Bundeskindergeldgesetz
- Verwaltungsanweisung zu §§ 28 bis 30 SGB II und §§ 34-34b SGB XII

### More information

Attention: The validity of the Bremen Pass is limited in time. After the eligibility period has expired, a new application for these benefits must be submitted.

# What deadlines must be paid attention to?

Approval is granted from the 1st of the month of application.

Recipients of housing benefit and/or supplementary child allowance can still receive benefits for education and participation retroactively for 12 months, provided it can be proven that these benefits have been received continuously since this date.

# How long does it take to process

Provided that the basic eligibility is given, the Bremen-Pass can be issued within one week.

### What are the costs?

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