

FAQs on Kindergarten Fee Assistance Scheme (KiFAS)

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1.	Can I apply for KiFAS as a single father?	<p>Fathers who are single, widowed, divorced or undergoing separation are eligible for KiFAS. They can apply as a “single father” and submit KF1 along with the necessary supporting documents:</p> <p>(i) If father’s name is in child’s birth certificate (BC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Child BC ○ Marriage search record from Registry of Marriages / Muslim Marriages <p>(ii) Not in child’s BC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Court Order ○ Police Report on the whereabouts of the mother ○ Marriage search record from Registry of marriages / Muslim Marriages <p>After verification of the declared marital status and relationship with the child, the monthly household income will be determined based on the single income of the father.</p>
2.	I am not a Singapore citizen (Permanent Resident or Foreigner). Will my child be eligible for KiFAS?	<p>Your child will receive KiFAS, if he/she is a Singapore Citizen and meets the eligibility criteria for KiFAS.</p> <p>Please refer to the Infographic for details on the KiFAS eligibility criteria.</p>
3.	My child is adopted. Will he/she be eligible for KiFAS?	<p>Yes. Adopted children who meet the eligibility criteria can qualify for KiFAS.</p>
4.	My child is withdrawn from the kindergarten in the middle of the month. Is he/she eligible to receive KiFAS?	<p>To be eligible for KiFAS, your child must have at least one day of attendance in the kindergarten, in the month of withdrawal.</p>
5.	If I am unable to work due to medical reasons, can I qualify for KiFAS?	<p>Working status is not a criterion for KiFAS.</p> <p>To be eligible for KiFAS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child is a Singapore citizen and enrolled in an Anchor Operator (AOP) or Ministry of

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		Education (MOE) kindergarten; AND <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Family's gross monthly Household Income (HHI) is \$6,000 and below, or Per Capita Income (PCI) is \$1,875 and below for larger families with 5 or more members, with at least 3 dependants who are not earning an income.
6.	Can I receive further financial assistance in addition to KiFAS?	Low-income families with difficult family circumstances, and who face difficulties paying kindergarten fees can also apply for a yearly Start-up Grant, to pay for the initial costs of enrolling their child into a kindergarten.
7.	Where can I find more information on the KiFAS amount based on eligibility?	Please refer to the Explanatory Notes for details.
8.	Am I expected to update my centre if I stop working?	<p>ECDA will verify the household income (HHI) / per capita income (PCI) of applicants at the following fixed points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Point of child's enrolment; (ii) End of N2. <p>The KiFAS assessed and granted at the point of enrolment will hold until the next point of reassessment. This will provide parents with greater certainty on the amount of KiFAS they will receive, even if they transit between jobs or take on care-giving responsibilities.</p> <p>Parents who may eligible for more KiFAS because of a change in household income may however, still apply for a review at any time.</p>
9.	Will I receive notifications on my application status?	Parents will receive system notifications via email and SMS on their application status and actions required (where applicable). Kindergartens will also receive a copy of the notifications.