

The Education and
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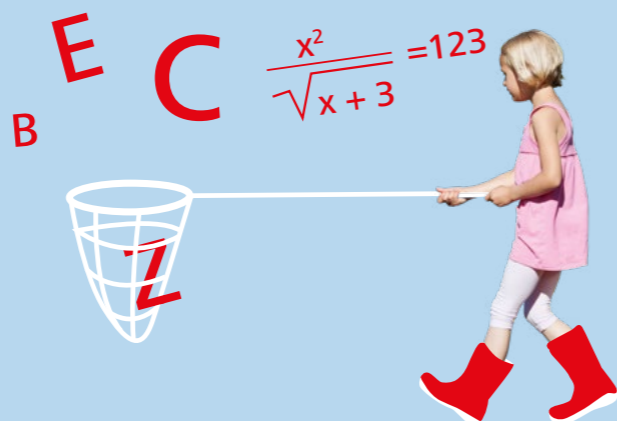
Going to school by bus and train, being active in a sports club, learning how to play a musical instrument, going on a class trip, eating lunch at school or the nursery school and much more: being a part of things makes everyday life better. The aim of the “Education and Participation Package (BuT)” – an initiative of the Federal Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs in cooperation with the municipalities and local job centres is to make it possible for everyone to participate. It offers financial support for children, youths and young adults who

- are younger than 25 years of age,
- attend a regular or vocational school,
- do not receive a trainee allowance,
- receive unemployment benefit II or social benefit, housing benefit, children supplement, social welfare or benefits under the Asylum Seekers’ Benefits Act or whose families only have a low income.

With this brochure, we would like to provide information on the benefits of the Education and Participation Package. It will also give you useful information on the application procedure so that you are able to make use of the benefits. So joining in becomes very easy.

If you still have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us by phone or e-mail. Our contact information is below at the end of this brochure.

Your Team for Education and Participation,
Stuttgart Job Centre



Simply join in – with the “Application for Education and Participation”

The “Application for Education and Participation” combines all BuT [Education and Participation] benefits in one form: financial support for school excursions and class trips, sports, leisure and cultural activities, school supplies and bus passes, learning support and lunch at schools and nursery schools. The application must be completed and submitted to the Team for Education and Participation at the Job Centre. Once the application has been approved, the decision will be forwarded to you and the various offers of the Education and Participation Package can be used.

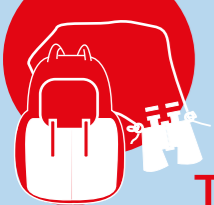
You can get the “Application for Education and Participation Benefits” form at the Job Centre in person or download it as a pdf document on the website www.stuttgart.de/jobcenter under “Bildung und Teilhabe” [Education and Participation]. There forms and the information brochure can be downloaded.

The form lists the various individual benefits. A separate form must be submitted for each child or young person.

For some offers, additional proof is necessary, for example registration or enrolment certificates. This is indicated separately.

Beneficiaries of unemployment benefits II only have to present proof: the Education and Participation Benefits – except for learning support – are already covered by the application for unemployment benefits II.





Take part in class trips and school excursions

The Stuttgart Job Centre covers the costs of excursions and several-day trips with the school or nursery school.

This is how it works:

For free participation in excursions all you have to do is present the bonus card at the school or nursery school. For several-day class trips, you will have to inform the Team for Education and Participation at the Job Centre about the date, duration, travel expenses and bank details of the school in advance.

As additional proof, the information letter from the school or the nursery school must be submitted. The Job Centre will then pay the costs involved directly to the school or nursery school. If you receive social welfare or asylum seekers' benefits, please contact the Social Welfare Office (contact details at the end of the brochure).



What is the Bonuscard + Kultur?

The Bonuscard + Kultur is a social pass from the State Capital Stuttgart to grant discounts to people receiving social benefits*. If you present the Bonuscard at participating institutions, you will receive discounts or subsidies for various social, educational and sports activities. The association "Kultur für Alle" [Culture for All] also allows Bonuscard holders to attend various cultural events free of charge.

Go to www.stuttgart.de/bonuscard and learn how and where to apply for a Bonuscard.

*e.g. unemployment benefits II, income support, housing benefit, children supplement, social welfare, benefits under the Asylum Seekers' Benefits Act (AsylbLG)



Fit for school – with new crayons and school bags

To buy teaching materials, such as exercise books and utensils for handicraft or a new school bag, pupils receive 52 euros on 1 February of a year and then a further 104 euros on 1 August – on time for the new school year. Since 2021, the amounts have been adapted as of the beginning of each year.

This is how it works:

For beneficiaries of unemployment benefit II the benefit payment will be automatically credited to their account.

For children under the age of six or older than 15, a current certificate of enrolment is needed by the Job Centre – proof that they are actually attending a school. This is usually issued by the school office.

Beneficiaries of housing benefit and/or children supplement will receive the support if they tick "Schulbedarf" [school supplies] in the "Antrag auf Leistungen für Bildung und Teilhabe" [Application for Education and Participation Benefits] and submit it to the Team for Education and Participation at the Job Centre. Recipients of social welfare or asylum seekers' benefits should contact the Social Welfare Office (contact details at the end of the brochure).



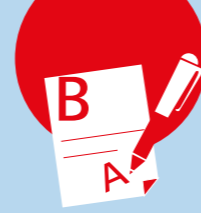
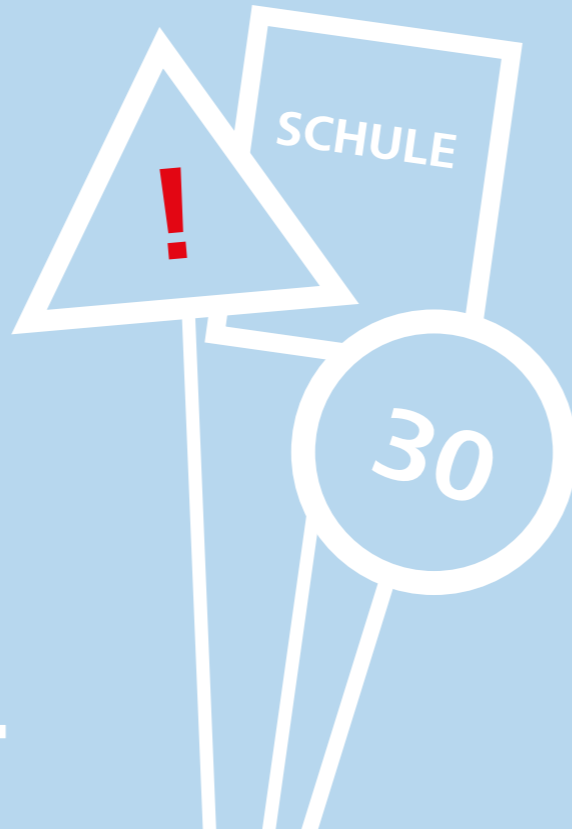


Always out and about at a reasonable price – to school and during leisure time

If the nearest school of your chosen course of education can only be reached by bus or train, the Stuttgart Job Centre will pay the costs. This applies in particular for the Scool-Abos (season tickets) of the local public transport association (VVS). With the Scool-Abo, pupils can travel as often as they like throughout the entire VVS zone without time restrictions – also in the afternoons, at weekends and during the school holidays.

This is how it works:

Simply submit a copy of the Polygo-Card and the payment receipt or the application for the Scool-Abo with an official stamp from the school to the Team for Education and Participation at the Job Centre. The amount will then be transferred to your account on a monthly basis. Recipients of social welfare or asylum seekers' benefits should contact the Social Welfare Office (contact details at the end of the brochure).



Get off to a good start in learning

If it is likely that your child will not achieve the essential learning objectives in a subject, the Job Centre will pay for extra tuition. However, before you make the application, all possibilities the school offers must have been tried. It is irrelevant whether your child is at risk of moving up to the next grade or not.

This is how it works:

Submit the form "Bestätigung der Schule für Lernförderbedarf" [confirmation of the school for learning support] to the Team for Education and Participation at the Job Centre. Important: extra tuition must be recommended by the subject teachers. The form can be found as a pdf document on the website www.stuttgart.de/jobcenter under the tab "Bildung und Teilhabe" [Education and Participation] or can be obtained as a form from the Job Centre. Once you have received the decision, you can bindingly book tuition. Recipients of social welfare or asylum seekers' benefits should contact the Social Welfare Office (contact details at the end of the brochure).





Lunch together

Free lunches at school and nursery school are available with the Bonuscard – this way no one is excluded from eating in the community. If an after-school care club offers lunch together in close cooperation with a school, this is also free on school days.

This is how it works:

To make sure that your child can have free lunches, you only have to present the Bonuscard at the school office or the nursery school.



Leisure time, sports and culture

Doing sports, learning to play a musical instrument or participating in children and youth camps: the Education and Participation Package supports the membership in a club or participation in a course with 15 euros per month.

This is how it works:

Children and young people under the age of 18 receive 15 euros per month when they submit a proof that they participated in a course or are a member of a club. The confirmation of registration, invoice or certificate of membership is sufficient proof. Recipients of unemployment benefit II, housing benefit and/or children supplement should send their proof to the Team for Education and Participation at the Job Centre.

Recipients of social welfare or asylum seekers' benefits should contact the Social Welfare Office (contact details at the end of the brochure).

If the application has been approved, a monthly allowance of 15 euros for the granted period will be transferred to the children and young people or their parents, so that the membership fee for a club, strip laundry or transport to tournaments and the like can be paid. They will also receive 15 euros per month even for free activities, such as non-contributory club memberships.

Tip: save up money

During the appropriation period you can save the monthly 15 euros to, for instance, use the money for a leisure offer. To transfer the amount in this case, please submit proof that your child is participating in a leisure offer.





Any questions? How to reach us:

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Contact for beneficiaries under the Social Code XII.

If children under the age of 15 live in the household, the families entitled to beneficiaries should contact the social welfare service of their borough: In the outskirts, the social welfare offices of the district offices are responsible.

Contact in the inner city districts:

District Mitte, Nord and Ost

Bürgerservice Soziale Leistungen
Christophstraße 8
70178 Stuttgart
Phone 0711 216-80380

District West and Süd

Bürgerservice Soziale Leistungen
Bebelstraße 22
70193 Stuttgart
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Contact for people entitled to benefits under the Asylum Seekers' Act

Bürgerservice Soziale Leistungen für Flüchtlinge
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