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EDUCATION MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE (EMA)

SESSION 2024/25

COMPLETE FORM IN BLACK OR BLUE INK

FULL NAME OF STUDENT						
SCHOOL	SCHOOL					
DATE OF BIRTH	DATE OF BIRTH					
PUPIL email address	PUPIL email address					
PARENT/CARER email address						
Have you received an EMA before? YES NO						
A FRESH APPLICATION MUST BE MADE EACH ACADEMIC YEAR INCLUDING ALL ORIGINAL DOCUMENTATION NEEDED TO COMPLETE THE ASSESSMENT.						
OFFICIAL USE ONLY						
EMA Reference No.	Date Application Received	Ist Check	2nd Check Accepted			

The information you supply on this form will be used by East Renfrewshire Council to reach a decision whether your son or daughter qualifies for Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA). We will also use your information to verify your identity where required, contact you by post, email or telephone and to maintain our records. The council will use this information because we need to do so to perform a task in the public interest. The information will be shared with the Scottish Government to protect public funds by preventing fraud. If you do not provide us with the information we have asked for then we will not be able to provide this service to you. We also need to process more sensitive personal information about you for reasons of substantial public interest as set out in the Data Protection Act 2019. It is necessary for us to process it to carry out key functions as outlined in law. If you have provided anyone else's details on this form, please make sure that you have told them that you have given their information to East Renfrewshire Council. We will only use this information to assess your entitlement to this allowance.

You can find out more about how we handle this information and your rights in respect of it by going to **www.eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk/education-privacy-notice** If you do not have access to a computer and wish a paper copy please let us know by contacting 0141 577 3760.

Education Maintenance Allowances (EMA) Additional Guidance

Both Student and Carer(s) must sign the Declaration Form on page 10.

- If you were born between I March 2005 and 28 February 2009 you may be eligible for an EMA.
- If you are 16 years of age or over before 30 September 2024, you may be eligible for an EMA from the beginning of school term.
- If you are 16 years of age between 1 October 2024 and 28 February 2025, you may be eligible for an EMA from January 2024.
- For those eligible for full year award, if the application is not submitted by **30 September 2024**, the award can only be made from the week it is received by this office.
- For those who are eligible from January 2025, if the application is not submitted by **28 February 2025**, the award can only be made from the week it is received by this office.
- The cut-off date for processing application forms for academic year 2024/25 is **31 March 2025**. No applications will be processed after this date.
- Household income is normally assessed on gross taxable household income for the period April 2023 to March 2024.
- The income thresholds for the EMA Programme, Academic Year 2024/25 are as follows:

Income	No. of dependent children in the household	Award
£0 - £24,421	I	£30
£0 - £26,884	2+	£30

- Dependent children are all those up to the age of 16 and those over the age of 16 and up to the age 25 if they are in full time further or higher education.
- If you are receiving education while living in a foster home or children's home, and are in the care of the local authority or living independently in receipt of Income Support or contributions-based Employment and Support Allowance, you are eligible for a £30 EMA award without having to provide evidence of household income.
- If successful, you must complete a learning agreement and adhere to the terms of that agreement.
- If successful, you must attend school for a minimum of 21 guided learning hours per week (timetabled hours including study periods).
- If successful, you will only receive EMA payments for those weeks where you have maintained 100% attendance (including authorised absences) and acceptable punctuality and conduct.
- Students may be eligible to receive a provisional award if a self-employed parent is temporarily unable to supply details in which a final settlement can be made. Please detail change in circumstances and date of change in Additional information on page 12.
- If you return to school for a sixth year, i.e. session 2025/26, you may be eligible for a further year's EMA support.

The Scottish Ministers reserve the right to review the EMA programme at any time.

A FRESH APPLICATION MUST BE MADE EACH ACADEMIC YEAR INCLUDING ALL DOCUMENTATION NEEDED TO COMPLETE THE ASSESSMENT.

Education Maintenance Allowances (EMA) Application Contact Address

Please note: A First Class stamp will not be sufficient postage when sending in your completed Application Form. Postage charges are now based on weight and size. Please check postage prior to sending in your form. If you are posting your Application you must enclose a stamped addressed envelope (23cm x 16cm in size) for personal documents to be returned.

Please complete the application form and send it to the following address:

East Renfrewshire Council

Education Department

211 Main Street **BARRHEAD**

G78 ISY

If you have any queries please contact:

0141 577 3760

Email: ema@eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk

Privacy Notice - Education Maintenance Allowance

Who will process your information?

The personal information you give to us through any of our forms relating to Education Maintenance Allowance and any other personal information we hold about you in this context will be processed by East Renfrewshire Council, Eastwood Park, Giffnock, G46 6UG for the administration of Education Maintenance Allowance, and your entitlement to it.

Why do we process your information?

The information you supply shall be used for the purposes of assessment, award, payments and where necessary recovery of Education Maintenance Allowance and we will provide information to the Scottish Government. Your information may also be shared with other departments within the council for the same purposes and also to protect public funds.

What is the legal basis for us to process your information?

The council processes your information to perform a task carried out in the public interest. Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) is a programme funded by the Scottish Government and administered to Local Authority Education Departments for schools throughout Scotland. The Scottish Government and Local Authorities are controllers in relation to your information.

These are the main points of our privacy notice. You can access the full privacy notice at www.eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk/ education-privacy-notice If you do not have access to a computer and wish a paper copy please contact us on 0141 577 3760.

Part A

Section I(A): PERSONAL DETAILS – Completed by Student

Gender Male Date of Birth (Day/Month/Year) D D M M Y Y Y Y
First Name(s)
Surname(s)
Email address of applicant
Current Home Address
Postcode
Home Telephone Mobile
Section I(B): PERSONAL NATIONALITY AND RESIDENCY DETAILS
How long have you lived in the United Kingdom? From DDMMYYYYY
Have you lived at your present address for longer than 3 years? Yes No
If no, please tell us your previous address(es) within the last 3 years, including those abroad.
From
Address I
Postcode
From D D M M Y Y Y Y T To D D M M Y Y Y Y
Address 2
Postcode
Residency: please tick the relevant box:
UK EU/EEA National/Swiss National Settled Status/Exceptional Leave to Enter/Remain
Refugee Status/Temporary Protection/Humanitarian Protection None of these
From
If required, please use the additional information page at the end of the application form.

Section 2: COURSE/SCHOOL DETAILS – Completed by Student
Name of School
Address
Postcode
Are you attending school and/or college for at least 21 guided learning hours each week? Yes No
If no, do you have flexible study arrangements to meet your particular needs, i.e. due to a medical condition?
Yes No No
Please state reason why you will be attending school for less than 21 guided learning hours. Please use additional information page if required.
Which year of study will you be undertaking? S4 S5 S6 Other
If you received an EMA award last year, to which Local Authority did you apply, and what school did you attend?
Section 3: BANK/BUILDING SOCIETY ACCOUNT DETAILS – Completed by Student
Section 3. BANN/BOILDING SOCIETY ACCOUNT BETAILS - Completed by Student
Name of person holding account
Is the account holder the EMA student? Yes No
If no, please state reason on additional information page. The name of the person holding the account must be the EMA student only, except where the applicant has
additional needs which makes this impractical.
Name and Address
of your Bank/
Building Society
Bank/Building Society Sort Code (6 digits)
Account Number (8 digits)
Roll/Reference Number (if applicable)

Any changes to your bank/building society account must be made in writing immediately to your Local Authority Education Department

Section 4: INDEP	ENDENT STATU	S – Completed by	Student		
Do you receive Income So Allowance in your own ri	• •	based Employment and S	upport	Yes	No
If yes, are you living unde	r the care of the Local	Authority or with foster	parents?	Yes	No
Section 5: FAMIL	Y DETAILS – Con	npleted by Studen	t		
Who do you live with? (p	please tick all that apply)				
Mother Father	Mother's pa	rtner Father's pa	artner	EMA Applican	t's partner
Grandparent(s)	Foster parent(s)	In care	On my ov	wn	
Other adults pleas	e specify				
Lone parent household?	Yes			rovide proof	
How many dependent ch	ildren living in the hous		section 8 (cne	ecklist) for evid	ence required
(Full) Name of Other	er Dependents	Date of birth	Nursery/S	School/Learnii	ng Centre
	Parent/Carer I		Parent/Ca	rer 2	
Name (include title)					
Permanent Address					
Postcode					
Relationship to					
Applicant					
Occupation(s) held during tax year 2023/24					
Marital Status					
Contact Number					
Parent/Carer email address					
Please note any correspond	ondence will be sent to	this email address			
EMA applicants must	now sign the Studen	t Declaration at Secti	on 7(A) on p	page 10.	

Section 6(A): HOUSEHOLD INCOME - Completed by Parent	(s)/Carer(s)	
Please tick appropriate option(s) below: • Will your child be in receipt of Free School Meals in 2024/25? Yes If yes please go to page 10 of the application form. If you have indicated your child will be entitled to free school meals for session 2 any documentation relating to household income. However we may contact you If no - continue with application form where appropriate. • Do you receive Tax Credits: Yes No If yes please providefull Tax Credit Award notice for 2024/25 showing actual hours. If yes please provide FULL most recent Universal Credit online Monthly Statemed Please note you may be asked for further household income evidence if in employed.	if we require any	y further informatio
Section 6(B): HOUSEHOLD INCOME – Completed by Parent		
For those where there is no TCAN or Universal Credit statement available, the follow Please enter nil value if not applicable. Values should be annual amounts for the statement available.	wing income det or 2023/2024.	·
	Parent/Carer I	Parent/Carer 2
Carer's Allowance (previously called Invalid Care Allowance) Including any child dependency increase.	£	£
Contributions-based Jobseeker's Allowance Do not include any amounts of income-based Jobseeker's Allowance. If you started work and gave your employer a P45U showing these details, do not include them here.	£	£
Contributions-based Employment and Support Allowance Please state any Contributions-based Employment and Support Allowance received.	£	£
Incapacity Benefit Include benefit paid after the first 28 weeks of incapacity (at the short-term higher and long-term rates) together with any child dependency increase. If any tax was deducted from your benefit, enter the amount due before the tax was taken off. Do not include benefit paid in the first 28 weeks of incapacity (at the short term lower rate) or benefit paid for a period of incapacity that began before 13 April 1995 and for which Invalidity Benefit used to be payable or any child dependency increase with these payments. If you started work and gave your employer a P45U showing these details, do not	£	£
Income Support	£	£
This is only taxable if it is payable to a member of a couple and the recipient (but not the recipient's partner) is on strike. Do not report Income Support if it is not taxable.		
TAXABLE SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS – AMOUNT RECEIVED IN 202 SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS	23/2024.	
Are you in receipt of non-taxable social security benefits? Yes No If yes, please take part C to DWP to be completed.		

EARNINGS FROM EMPLOYMENT (INCLUDING SELF EMPLOYMENT) IN 2023/2024

	Parent/Carer I	Parent/Carer 2
Total gross employment income from all jobs after deduction of • pension contributions, and • Deductions to charity via gift aid But, before taking off • tax and National Insurance contributions, and • Share Incentive Plan deductions Include: • your total profits minus losses from self-employment • any tips or gratuities you receive • any Statutory Sick Pay you received • the taxable part of any termination payments • taxable securities options gains • any strike pay you received • payments for any work done whilst you were serving a sentence in prison or on remand (this counts as income for tax credit purposes even though it is not taxable as earnings)	£	£
Deduct any allowable expenses you have incurred (see Guidance for completing application form 2024/2025)	£	£
Deduct up to the first £100 for each week (for example, if you received £80 please enter 0, if you received £120 please enter £20) you received Statutory Maternity Pay, Statutory Paternity Pay and Statutory Adoption Pay (for tax credits, £100 a week of each payment is ignored)	£	£

BENEFITS FROM YOUR EMPLOYER(S) IN 2023/2024

Type of benefit	Parent/Carer I	Parent/Carer 2
Goods or assets	£	£
Your liabilities (bills, etc.) paid by employer	£	£
Vouchers and credit tokens	£	£
Car mileage allowances or running costs	£	£
Company cars	£	£
Car fuel	£	£
Taxable expenses payments	£	£

NOTIONAL INCOME

	Parent/Carer I	Parent/Carer 2
Capital treated as income (e.g. stock dividend)	£	£
Trust income that under the income tax rules is treated as the income of another person, e.g. investment income of a minor child where trust funds have been provided by a parent and the amount exceeds £100.	£	£
Income you were entitled to but did not apply for, e.g. if you were entitled to claim Carer's Allowance but did not claim it.	£	£
Income you deprived yourself of, e.g. if you sell the right to an occupational pension worth £10 a week for £2500, the £2500 should not be included but you should add £10 a week to your income	£	£
Income you have deprived yourself of (e.g. income not taken because you worked for less than the going rate (or for nothing) but where the person for whom the work was done, or for whom the service was provided, has the means to pay. This does not apply to voluntary work or employment or training programmes.	£	£

UK PENSION

	Parent/Carer I	Parent/Carer 2
Widowed Parents Allowance	£	£
State Pension	£	£
Other Pensions, Personal pension plan or retirement annuity contracts	£	£

SAVINGS

	Parent/Carer I	Parent/Carer 2
Gross income from investments/savings/shares, etc. include interest from any bank or building society accounts (this is income before tax was deducted)	£	£
If you received any company dividends add the tax credit to the dividend	£	£

PROPERTY/TRUST/FOREIGN INCOME

	Parent/Carer I	Parent/Carer 2
Include income from property or land in the UK that you owned or leased out (if this was part of your business income include it above at income from self-employment)	£	£
Gross income from a trust, settlement or a deceased person's estate (this is the income before tax was deducted)	£	£
Foreign Income: Include the gross amount, in British pounds before any foreign tax is deducted. NB – for foreign pensions only include 90% of the gross amount received	£	£

Add totals for Parent/Carer I and Parent/Carer 2	
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se note deduction from other income where appropriate £	
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OVERALL TOTAL PER ANNUM	£	£	
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	appleted by the student applying for an EMA award. You should be aware ation you are required to indicate that you have read and understood the		
		Agree	Disagree
I declare that all the answer	ers given in this form are true.		
I have read the guidance a	and understand and accept my obligations.		
· ·	false information or withhold information my EMA application will be a cation will be taken to recover any money paid to me.		
I undertake to refund any	sum arising from an overpayment for any reason.		
I understand that if I do not	keep to the conditions of my Learning Agreement, payments may be withheld.		
I understand that if I leave	school, I will not be eligible for any further payments.		
I understand that relevant	information may be passed on to third parties within the Local Authority.		
I give permission for the le EMA Unit.	ocal authority to release information relating to my independent status to		
Signature of Applicant	Date D D M M Y Y Y	Υ	
Name (PRINT)			
If the student is unable to	sign this form due to additional support needs, please leave blank and tic	k box pro	vided.
This section must be comincome of the applicant's	ental/partner/carer declaration appleted if the applicant is under 18 years of age or the award has been as parent, spouse, or carer. You should be aware that in order for us to prize to indicate that you have read and understood the statements below	ocess you	
I/We declare that to the	best of my/our knowledge and belief all the information given, in ication, is full and correct in every respect.	Agree	Disagree
•	de any additional information which may be required by the Local articulars given and also to inform the Local Authority immediately of rticulars.		
I/We undertake to inform may affect the award.	the Local Authority of any changes in financial circumstances which		
I/We understand that if n Agreement, payments ma	ny/our child does not keep to the conditions of their Learning by be withheld.		
I/We understand that if my	/our child leaves school, he/she will not be entitled to any further payments.		
I/We consent to the under	ertaking signed by the student above.		
I am/We are aware that r	my/our child is bound by the conditions set out by the EMA guidance.		
	the Local Authority to release information relating to my/our to EMA team for proof of single occupancy.		
	the Local Authority to release information relating to my claim for		
Signed Parent/Carer I	Date DDMMYYY	Υ	
Name (PRINT)			

Please use the Checklist on page II to ensure all relevant documentation has been provided.

Date D

Signed Parent/Carer 2

Name (PRINT)

Section 8: CHECKLIST

If all documents are not available at the time of application, please send in the application form and forward documents as soon as possible. Alternatively please email documents to: ema@eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk

Please ensure the following documents are submitted with your application form.

Failure to send in the relevant documents will delay the processing of your EMA.

Please note: A first class stamp will not be sufficient postage when sending in your completed application form. Postage charges are now based on weight and size. Please check postage prior to sending in your form.

Documentation required (see below)	enclosed	use only
Have you enclosed a stamped addressed envelope (9" x 6" in size) for personal documents to be returned? A first class stamp may not be sufficient postage		
If you are an independent student, Part C should be completed by the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP)		
HM Revenue & Customs Tax Credit Award Notice (TCAN)TC602 for 2023/24		
Copy of most recent Universal Credit Online Monthly Statement		
2024 P60		
Valid week 52/month 12 payslip		
SAAS or college award letter		
Statement of earnings from HM Revenue & Customs if parent(s)/carers(s) are employed		
If parent(s)/carer(s) are self employed and are not in receipt of a (TCAN) TC602 or SA302, accountant's certificate (Part B) should be submitted.		
If parent(s)/carer(s) receive benefits – Part C must be completed by Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) or a P60U or confirmation letter must be included		
2024 P60 supporting parent(s)/carer(s) occupational pension		
Proof of guardianship, if required, e.g. child benefit letter		
Proof of lone parent status, e.g. council tax notice or letter for period April 2023 - March 202 showing you received single adult discount	24	
Proof that you are in the care of the Local Authority, if applicable		
P45 if necessary		
Other documents you may have supplied, please specify on Additional Information page 12		
Other documentation required as per Section 6B Household Income calculation		
Any documentation to support other dependent children		

RETURN OF DOCUMENTS

All documents will be returned to the name stated on the return envelope, unless otherwise stated on the additional information page (page 12) at the back of the declaration page.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION		

Part B

Parent/Carer I

ACCOUNTANT'S CERTIFICATE FOR SELF EMPLOYED - Completed by accountant

If both parent(s)/carer(s) are self employed, each is required to complete Part B separately. NB: application may be submitted with Part B to follow. Student Name Student Date of Birth Name of Parent/Carer who is Self Employed Trading Name **Business Address** Estimated Profits for Trading Year 2023/24 **ADD** Charges not allowable for tax purposes £ **DEDUCT** Capital Allowances £ **EQUALS TAXABLE PROFITS** £ Please provide any details of any other income received during trading year 2023/2024 Self Employed Parent/Carer I £ Μ Date Accountant's Name Office Address **Accountant's Signature** Accountant's Official Stamp

NB: AN SA302 IS STILL REQUIRED IN ORDER TO FINALISE ANY AWARD. THIS MAY HAVE TO BE REQUESTED FROM HM REVENUE & CUSTOMS.

Part B 2

Parent/Carer 2

ACCOUNTANT'S CERTIFICATE FOR SELF EMPLOYED – Completed by accountant

If both parent(s)/carer(s) are self employed, each is required to complete Part B separately.

NB: applicat	tion may be s	submitted	with Part B to follow.			
Student Name	e					
Student Date	of Birth	D D M	MYYYY			
Name of Pare who is Self Er						
Trading Name Business Add						
Estimated Pr	ofits for Tradii	ng Year 202	23/2024		£	
			ADD	-		
	Charges not a	allowable fo	or tax purposes		£	
			DEDUCT			
	Capital Allow	ances			£	
			EQUALS			
		TA	AXABLE PROFITS		£	
Please provide	e any details of	any other	income received during tradin	g year 202	3/2024:	
Self Employe	d Parent/Care	r 2	£			
Date		[D D M M Y Y Y Y			
Accountant's	Name					
Office Addres	ss					
Accountant	's Signature					
					Accountant's Official Stamp	

NB: AN SA302 IS STILL REQUIRED IN ORDER TO FINALISE ANY AWARD. THIS MAY HAVE TO BE REQUESTED FROM HM REVENUE & CUSTOMS.

Part C I

Parent/Carer I

CERTIFICATE OF BENEFITS RECEIVED – To be completed if PARENT/CARER I is in receipt of benefits

To be completed by student's parent/carer before submitting to DWP									
Your Name			Student's Name						
Your National	Insurance number								
Address									
I authorise D	OWP to give info	rmation relating to m	ny benefits allowar	nces					
Signature									
You should now take this form to your local DWP Office for completion. To be completed by the Department for Work & Pensions for the district in which the parent/carer is/ was registered. Please complete details of all benefits received during the year 6 April 2023 to 5 April 2024. Name of additional person(s) claimed for in addition to above									
					1 1				
					Taxable	Non- Taxable			
From:	То:	£ per week	Type of Benefit:		Taxable	Тахаыс			
From:	То:	£ per week	Type of Benefit:						
From:	То:	£ per week	Type of Benefit:						
From:	То:	£ per week	Type of Benefit:						
From:	То:	£ per week	Type of Benefit:						
From:	То:	£ per week	Type of Benefit:						
From:	То:	£ per week	Type of Benefit:						
From:	То:	£ per week	Type of Benefit:						
Other									
From:	То:	£ per week	Type of Benefit:						
Signature of M				DWP Stamp					
Please print na Date		MM 20Y	Y						
Department for	or Work & Pension	s Office							

Part C 2

Parent/Carer 2

CERTIFICATE OF BENEFITS RECEIVED – To be completed if PARENT/CARER 2 is in receipt of benefits

To be completed by student's parent/carer before submitting to DWP							
Your Name				Student's Name			
Your National	Insurance number						
Address							
I authorise D	OWP to give info	rmation rela	ating to m	y benefits allowa	nces		
Signature							
To be complewas registered Please comple	leted by the Deped. te details of all ben	artment for	Work &	Office for complements of the experiments of the ex	district in which		t/carer is/
Name of addit	cional person(s) clai	med for in ad	ldition to ab	oove			
						Taxable	Non- Taxable
From:	To:	£	per week	Type of Benefit:			
From:	То:	£	per week	Type of Benefit:			
From:	То:	£	per week	Type of Benefit:			
From:	To:	£	per week	Type of Benefit:			
From:	То:	£	per week	Type of Benefit:			
From:	То:	£	per week	Type of Benefit:			
From:	То:	£	per week	Type of Benefit:			
From:	То:	£	per week	Type of Benefit:			
Other							
From:	То:	£	per week	Type of Benefit:			
Signature of Manager/Clerk Please print name DWP Stamp							
Date		MM	20Y	Y			
Department fo	or Work & Pension	s Office					