

To the Parent/Carer of:

Date December 2016

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Dear Parent/Carer

Education Maintenance Allowance for young people staying on at school

Young people who can leave school at Christmas, but decide to stay on at school, could be entitled to an EMA from 1st January 2017. Funded by the Scottish Government, it is a weekly payment of £30 to support 16-19 year olds who stay on at school after they reach the school leaving age.

Who can apply

- 16-19 year olds staying on at school in Edinburgh
- Households where the annual income is less than:
 - £24,421 for households with one dependent child
 - £26,884 for households with more than one dependent child
- 16-19 year old 'Looked After' young people or care leavers

How it is paid

- Money is paid directly into the young person's bank account
- Payment is for each week of the school year (excluding holidays)
- Young person must attend school each week to receive payment

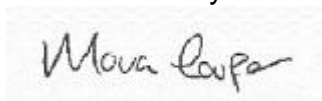
How to apply

- Visit www.edinburgh.gov.uk/ema to apply online
- Pick up a paper form in school or any library
- Apply **BEFORE 28 February 2017** or you could lose out

Contact us

- Email : school.grants@edinburgh.gov.uk
- Telephone : 0131 469 3367 (10am-12pm, 2-4pm)

Yours sincerely



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