

# U Care Back To School Vouchers 2017 – Fact Sheet



## 1. About the Programme

- 1.1 The **U Care Back To School (BTS) Vouchers Programme** is one of NTUC-U Care Fund's core assistance programmes which aims to help eligible union members defray the cost of their children's school expenses for the new school year.
- 1.2 For 2017, the NTUC-U Care Fund has set aside \$3.8 million\* worth of U Care BTS Vouchers to potentially help 30,400 members' school-going children.
- 1.3 Each successful applicant will receive a booklet of U Care Back To School Vouchers worth \$125\* for each eligible school-going child (*limit of one booklet per eligible child*).
- 1.4 The U Care Back To School Vouchers are valid till 30 April 2018.  
**Strictly no extension will be granted after the voucher expiry date.**

*\*Subject to final donations collected*

## 2. Eligibility Criteria

- 2.1 Member must have a minimum of 6 months continuous paid-up union membership at the point of application or as at programme closing date (whichever earlier) and must not be in arrears.
- 2.2 Total Monthly Gross Household Income\* of \$3,400 and below, **OR**  
Per Capita Income of \$850 and below if Gross Household Income\* exceeds \$3,400  
*\*Gross income is defined as all income derived from employment/business. Inclusive of overtime and allowances.*
- 2.3 Member's child/children must be attending school in 2018 at an eligible educational institution in Singapore as follows:
  - Kindergarten 1 or 2;
  - Government / Government-Aided / Independent Schools (Primary or Secondary) under the Ministry of Education (MOE);
  - Junior Colleges; Institute of Technical Education; Millennia Institute; Polytechnics; OR
  - Special Education Schools (*refer to Appendix A*)

## 3. Required Supporting Documents

- 3.1 If Member is Employed:
  - Photocopy of recent payslip (dated year 2017), **OR**
  - CPF Statement (showing contribution history for the past 3 months)
- 3.2 If Member is Self-Employed or Works Part-Time:
  - Notice of Assessment from IRAS (Year of Assessment 2016), **OR**
  - CPF Statement (showing contribution history for the past 3 months)  
*If no CPF account, a written letter from CPF board is required.*
- 3.3 If Member is Unemployed:
  - CPF Statement (showing contribution history for the past 3 months)  
*If no CPF account, a written letter from CPF board is required.*

**AND**

  - Photocopy of Spouse's recent payslip or CPF Statement (showing contribution history for the past 3 months) if Member is married
- 3.4 Photocopy of Member's Child/Children's Birth Certificates  
*If member has previously submitted photocopy of child/children's birth certificates for BTS Voucher Programme in 2012 or later, he/she need not submit the birth certificates again.*

**Note:** Applicant may be required to submit other supporting document(s) for verification and audit purposes.

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## 4. How to Apply

There are two ways to apply for U Care Back To School Vouchers:

### 4.1 Online Application

Union members can submit an online application via the U Care System at [www.ntuc.org.sg/ucare/apply](http://www.ntuc.org.sg/ucare/apply). Members may refer to the following to familiarise themselves with the online application process:

- Online Demo - <http://www.ntuc.org.sg/ucare/onlineappdemo.htm>
- Fact Sheet on U Care System - <http://www.ntuc.org.sg/ucare/onlineappfactsheet.htm>

### 4.2 Hardcopy Application Form

- For **Ordinary Branch (OB)** members – member may obtain the hardcopy form from and submit directly to the union that they belong to.
- For **General Branch (GB)** members, member may apply directly at NTUC Members' Hub, NTUC Centre, 1 Marina Boulevard Level 9 Room 902, Singapore 018989;  
OR contact NTUC Membership hotline at 6213 8008 / email [membership@ntuc.org.sg](mailto:membership@ntuc.org.sg) if they require the hardcopy application form to be sent to them.

**Note:** Members are advised to submit their applications before the closing date (as indicated on the application form) as late submission will not be processed.

## 5. Outcome of Application

- 5.1 **Ordinary Branch** members will be notified of their application outcome by their respective unions from November onwards if they are successful.
- 5.2 **General Branch** members will receive notification letters on their application outcome from NTUC Membership Department from November onwards.

## 6. How to Redeem the Vouchers

- 6.1 Each BTS voucher booklet contains 10 pieces of \$10 vouchers and 5 pieces of \$5 vouchers, with a total value of \$125 per booklet.
- 6.2 The BTS vouchers are valid for purchase of school textbooks, assessment/reference books, stationery, school uniforms/PE attire/shoes/socks, spectacles, or other school-related items at the following redemption points:
  - Authorised school bookshops and uniform suppliers at
    - Government / Government-Aided Schools (Primary and Secondary)
    - Junior Colleges
    - Millennia Institute under MOE
    - Institute of Technical Education
    - Polytechnics
    - Special Education Schools
  - All BATA Stores
  - All Nanyang Optical Outlets\*

\* Members must present their NTUC union membership card at point of redemption to earn LinkPoints. This is subject to change and prevailing terms and conditions.

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## 7. Other Terms and Conditions

- 7.1 The U Care Back To School Vouchers are strictly not for sale. Union member will be denied usage of U Care Fund programmes if found to have misused the vouchers, and may have their vouchers confiscated.
- 7.2 The U Care Back To School Vouchers are non-transferable and cannot be exchanged for cash.
- 7.3 Union members are advised to exercise personal responsibility in safekeeping their vouchers. Any lost vouchers will not be replaced.
- 7.4 Vouchers should be presented in reasonably good condition to be accepted. Participating redemption outlets/partners reserve the right not to accept any damaged, defaced or tampered vouchers.

## Appendix A – List of Eligible Special Education (SPED) Schools

Name of School	Address
AWWA School	11 Lorong Napiri, Singapore 547532
Canossian School	1 Sallim Road, Singapore 387621
Cerebral Palsy Alliance Singapore School (CPASS)	65 Pasir Ris Drive 1, Singapore 519529
Chaoyang School	18 Ang Mo Kio Ave 9, Singapore 569767
Delta Senior School	3 Choa Chu Kang Grove, Singapore 688237
Eden School	101 Bukit Batok West Avenue 3, Singapore 659168
Fernvale Gardens School	7 Fernvale Road, Singapore 797635
Grace Orchard School	6A Jurong West St 52, Singapore 649297
Katong School	900 New Upper Changi Road, Singapore 467354
Lee Kong Chian Gardens School	802 Margaret Drive, Singapore 149311
Lighthouse School	51 Toa Payoh Rise, Singapore 298106
Metta School	30 Simei St 1, Singapore 529949
MINDS Ang Mo Kio Training & Development Centre	Blk 134 Ang Mo Kio Ave 3 St 12 #01-1677, Singapore 560134
MINDS Clementi Training & Development Centre	Block 304 Clementi Avenue 4 #01-487, Singapore 120304
MINDS Eunos Training & Development Centre	11 Jalan Ubi Block 3 #01-21, Singapore 409074
MINDS Napiri Training & Development Centre	MINDSville@Napiri 7 Lorong Napiri, Singapore 547533
MINDS Tampines Training & Development Centre	Blk 267 Tampines St 21 #01-09, Singapore 520267
Pathlight School	5 Ang Mo Kio Ave 10, Singapore 569739
Rainbow Centre - Margaret Drive School	501 Margaret Drive, Singapore 149306
Rainbow Centre - Yishun Park School	15 Yishun Street 61, Singapore 768548
Singapore School for the Deaf	227 Mountbatten Road, Singapore 397998
St Andrew's Autism School	1 Elliott Road, Singapore 458686
Tanglin School	143 Alexandra Road, Singapore 159924
Towner Gardens School	1B Lengkong Lima, Singapore 417557
Woodlands Gardens School	30 Woodlands Ring Road #01-01, Singapore 737883

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