## ENHANCED FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS MOE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE SCHEME (MOE FAS)

- 1. The MOE FAS helps to defray the cost of basic schooling expenses for students from families in financial need.
- For primary and secondary school students, the MOE FAS covers 100% of school and standard miscellaneous fees, the cost of textbooks and school uniforms, and provides meal and transport subsidies. For pre-university students, the MOE FAS covers 100% of school and standard miscellaneous fees, and provides a cash bursary and transport subsidies.
- 3. In 2018, the income eligibility criteria for the MOE FAS was raised from a monthly Gross Household Income (GHI) of \$2,500 to \$2,750, or monthly per capita income (PCI) of \$625 to \$690. The meal subsidy provision for secondary school students was increased from 7 to 10 meals per school week. The pre-university cash bursary was increased from \$750 to \$900 per annum.
- 4. From April 2020, further enhancements will be made to the transport and meals subsidies. The pre-university cash bursary will also be raised, as shown in the table below.

Table C-1: Enhanced MOE FAS benefits from April 2020

	Current provision	Enhanced provision from April 2020
Monthly Public Transport Subsidy	\$10	\$15
Monthly School Bus Subsidy (for primary school students)	50% of monthly school bus fare	60% of monthly school bus fare
School Meal Subsidies (for secondary school students)	\$2.50 per school meal	\$2.90 per school meal
Pre-university Bursary	\$900 per annum	\$1,000 per annum