

In the 2006/07 to 2010/11 school years, the number of successful applications under “Principal Recommendation Scheme” in each school year

School Year	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11
(a) Number of <u>families</u> submitting applications under PRS*	2 623	3 118	3 026	2 978	27 739
(b) Number of <u>families</u> with successful applications under PRS	2 566	3 064	2 974	2 928	26 950
(c) Success Rate [(b)/(a)x100%]	98	98	98	98	97
(d) Number of <u>students</u> receiving textbook assistance under PRS in August <sup>#</sup>	2 644	4 227	4 035	3 964	29 589
(e) % out of students applying for textbook subsidy in the school year	0.8%	1.4%	1.4%	1.4%	11.5% (as at end of December 2010)

\* In 2010/11 school year, SFAA has extended PRS, i.e. apart from inviting principals to recommend students to submit early applications, SFAA has taken the initiative to invite those families with relatively lower income as indicated in SFAA’s records to submit early applications.

<sup>#</sup> As the subsidy rate for the new school year is computed on the basis of the Hong Kong Consumer Council’s annual survey results on textbook expenditure which are usually available in mid-September each year, the amount of textbook assistance disbursed to the students concerned before the start of the school year is 80% of the relevant rates for the previous school year and the adjustments to the subsidy rate for the new school year will be disbursed to these students later in the school year.