The Office of Education of the Consell de Formentera is pleased to report that it is now accepting applications for textbook assistance, higher education grants, and compensation for double and triple insularity in 2022/2023. From today, Monday 22 May, to 30 June, students and schools can submit applications to the Citizen Information Office (OAC) or Virtual Citizen Information Office (OVAC). For more information, please contact educacio@conselldeformente-ra.cat

Alejandra Ferrer, vice president and education councillor, explained that "for years the Consell de Formentera has been granting this aid to address inequalities and disparities between students from Formentera and those from elsewhere in the Balearic Islands and Spain". The aid is designed to offset the insularity which Formentera students face in pursuing higher education off the island and help local schools and families in need buy books and materials that are essential for learning.

Insularity compensation for students studying off Formentera

The €38,000 allocated to these grants is divided as follows:

- · Grants for students studying on Eivissa and at distance learning universities (€150).
- · Aid for students who study outside the Pine Islands (€500).
- · Aid for students who study elementary or professional music or dance off the island, provided such studies are not available on Formentera (€100).

€45,000 for participants in the used textbook and educational material and/or digitalisation programme

The aid will be divided as follows:

- · Financial aid for Formentera primary and secondary schools in the programmes to reuse textbooks and teaching materials and/or promote digitalisation (€50 for pupils in primary school and €70 for pupils in secondary school).
- · Assistance covering 100% of fees for primary school children in large and single-parent families who receive use textbooks.
- · Digitalisation programme: €200 toward computer equipment for secondary pupils in large and single-parent families.

€12,500 in higher education grants

Ten grants of €1,250 will be awarded:

• Students' core focus must be an official degree valid throughout Spain. Studies must be performed on-site at schools that are officially recognised by the educational administration and lead to an academically- or professionally-valid official degree.

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