

FEES AND LEVIES SCHEDULE

SCHOOL FEES AND LEVIES

The purpose of School Fees

Catholic schools are open to all who seek and support the values espoused by the school. The provision of Catholic schooling is made possible through parental payment of school fees and levies combined with funding support provided by Federal and State governments. The continuing provision of quality Catholic Education for all students in the Diocese requires that all enrolling parents/caregivers pay school fees and levies as and when they fall due.

2023 Tuition Fee Schedule per student

STUDENTS IN CATHOLIC SCHOOLS	One	Two	Three	Four or More
DISCOUNT PERCENTAGE	0.0%	12.5%	35.0%	50%
PRIMARY - PER WEEK	35.50	31.06	23.08	17.75
PRIMARY - PER TERM	355.00	310.60	230.80	177.50
PRIMARY - PER YEAR	1,420.00	1,242.50	923.00	710.00
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LOWER SECONDARY - PER WEEK	61.50	53.81	39.98	30.75
LOWER SECONDARY - PER TERM	615.00	538.10	399.80	307.50
LOWER SECONDARY - PER YEAR	2,460.00	2,152.50	1,599.00	1,230.00
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UPPER SECONDARY - PER WEEK	76.00	66.50	49.40	38.00
UPPER SECONDARY - PER TERM	760.00	665.00	494.00	380.00
UPPER SECONDARY - PER YEAR	3,040.00	2,660.00	1,976.00	1,520.00

Building Fund

Meeting the needs of students seeking a Catholic education requires significant capital works through building new schools/facilities, refurbishment, and maintenance. Capital works are supplemented through Building Levies charged to families through normal school fee billing processes.

SCHOOL/COLLEGE BUILDING FUND	Per Family
PRIMARY - PER TERM	105.00
PRIMARY - PER YEAR	420.00
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SECONDARY - PER TERM	142.50
SECONDARY - PER YEAR	570.00

Where families attend a Diocesan Catholic primary school, the fee is charged once and collected by the Primary school. No tax deduction is possible, as this fee forms a collectable part of school fees.



School/College based Levies

School-Based Levies are charges for curriculum resources, library resources and printing. These levies are set by the School Board, to be no greater than 25% of the non-discounted tuition fee per student.

Specific Purpose Charges

Additional charges may apply for specific purposes, for example, travel and accommodation related to school field trips and camps, excursions, and transport to swimming pools etc. Some secondary subjects require additional charges for materials used, for example, home economics, manual arts, etc. These costs are additional to School-Based Levies.

Parents & Friends Levy

Parents and Friends' Association (P&F) in consultation with their school community and School Board may introduce a P&F levy in lieu of significant fundraising. The levy is not included in the 25% limit for general levies.

Technology Capital Levy

Schools may charge a Technology Capital Levy of \$120.00 per student up to a maximum of \$240.00 per family. The levy is not included in the 25% limit for general levies. Where a family has two or more children across Catholic Primary and Secondary Schools, the priority for payment of the levy will be given to the Catholic Primary School. The levy is to be used strictly for technology capital purposes at the school level.

Colleges - Discount to Fees and Levies paid within prescribed timeframes

A discount is available where the annual fees and levies is paid in full and received at the college:

- 2.5% 30 days after Term 1 statement is issued
- 1.5% paid by billing due date on Term 4 statement and compliance with agreed payment schedule

School Fee Assistance

Catholic Education - Diocese of Rockhampton (CEDR) schools offer fee concessions and payment options to support families and reduce the financial burden where financial hardship is experienced. Parents/Caregivers are responsible for advising the Principal of expected or known hardship circumstances to enable appropriate fee concessions to be established/adjusted. Families may be eligible for school fee assistance under the **Concession Card Tuition Fee Discount** and/or the **Principal's Concession Scheme**.

Concession Card Tuition Fee Discount

A 70% Tuition Fee discount is available for 'means tested' Government Health Care and Pensioner Concession cards. These cards must meet eligibility criteria for this concession to apply.

Principal's Concession Scheme

Total or partial exemption from the payment of fees and levies is available on application to the Principal to ensure that confidentiality is maintained.

EARLY LEARNING AND CARE FEES

Early Learning and Care Services Fees include fee structures for Outside School Hours Care Services (OSHCs) and Kindergarten Services.

Outside Schools Hours Care

Fees are charged on a per session (bookings) basis with a range of fees to reflect the diversity of the centres operated by CEDR. All services charge a minimum fee to maintain uniformity and equity. Each child will be charged a per session fee as follows:

OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE FEES	Minimum Fee	Maximum Fee
BEFORE SCHOOL HOURS CARE	19.00	21.00
AFTER SCHOOL HOURS CARE	25.00	27.00
VACATION CARE	54.00	61.00

Casual bookings may incur an additional surcharge, as advertised by the individual service. Individual service fees will be published at <https://www.startingblocks.gov.au/> and at the service.

Kindergarten Centres

Fees and levies are calculated based on the Queensland Government's Kindergarten Funding Scheme (KFS) requirements, being implemented from 2023. Our Approved Kindergarten programs are funded by parent fees, fundraising and the Kindergarten Funding Scheme. Kindergarten fees and levies are outlined below:

KINDERGARTEN FEES		Monday, Tuesday, Alternate Wednesday	Thursday, Friday, Alternate Wednesday
TERM FEES	TERM 1 (10 WEEKS)	950.00	950.00
	TERM 2 (10 WEEKS)	950.00	950.00
	TERM 3 (10 WEEKS)	950.00	950.00
	TERM 4 (9 WEEKS)	874.00	836.00
	SEIFA CATEGORY 1/2 OR KINDY PLUS ELIGIBLE	NO COST	NO COST
DAILY FEE (KINDY-AGE* CHILD)		38.00	38.00
DAILY FEE (KINDY-AGE* CHILD, SEIFA 1 OR KINDY PLUS ELIGIBLE)		NO COST	NO COST
BUILDING LEVY (PER TERM PER FAMILY)		49.00	49.00
QCEC LEVY (PER YEAR)		13.00	13.00
ACTIVITIES LEVY (PER TERM)		20.00	20.00
ENROLMENT FEE (NON-REFUNDABLE, ON ACCEPTANCE OF OFFER)		100.00	100.00

Pre-kindergarten aged children and full-time Kindergarten places may be available. Please contact your local kindergarten for more details. Individual service fees are published at: <https://www.rok.catholic.edu.au/our-schools/kindergarten/>



Fee free kindy (SEIFA 1/2 and Kindy Plus)

From 2023, Kindergarten Services will provide kindergarten at no cost to families from SEIFA 1 and 2 locations and for families that meet eligibility criteria for vulnerable and disadvantaged families. Eligibility requirements for the Kindergarten Funding Scheme (KFS) Plus subsidy states that the family (including foster families and kinship care families as determined by the Child Protection Act 1999), or the child must present one of the following:

1. an Australian Government Health Care Card
2. a current Australian Government Concession Card
3. a Department of Veterans' Affairs Gold Card or White Card
4. evidence of formal foster or kinship care arrangements
5. the child is living in a formal child protection out-of-home-care arrangement
6. the child identifies as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander
7. the family has three or more children of the same age attending a kindergarten program at the same time
8. the family and child have entered Australia under the Australian Government's Refugee and Humanitarian Program or is in the process of seeking asylum and holds a temporary visa.

*Kindergarten-age is the year before a child commences their preparatory year at school (children who are at least four years old by 30 June in the year they participate). Children must attend a minimum of 600 hours per year to be eligible – equates to five days per fortnight. Our kindergartens offer extended hours, beyond the required 600 hours, to ensure all pupil free days are covered throughout the year.

**State Government Kindy Grant funding provides fee support to Approved Kindergarten Centres for kindergarten-age children only. Children who attend additional days, children who are not of the eligible kindergarten-age or children who have elected another Kindergarten to receive their KFS funding are subsidised by the kindergarten.