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Education Fees for Temporary Residents

Most students holding a temporary resident visa are required to pay the Temporary Residents Administration Fee and Education Fee. Please refer to the <u>Schedule of Visa Subclass & Conditions</u> document on our website to determine if a visa subclass is considered as a fee liable category.

The New South Wales Department of Education reserves the right to vary fees. Applicants will be required to pay the adjusted fees from the date of variation. Education fees are charged at the rate applicable to the academic year indicated by the school, Intensive English Language Centre or Intensive English Language High School but may change as the student progresses to the next academic year fee band.

Bridging Visa Holders

Bridging visa holders are required to pay the Temporary Residents Administration Fee and Education Fee. Fee conditions for students who hold a bridging visa are generally determined according to the conditions of the immediate previous substantive visa and the visa they are applying for.

Temporary Residents Administration Fee and Education Fee for 2016 (Relates to temporary residents but excludes visitor visas & dependants of international students)

A non-refundable Administration Fee of \$110.00 is required for each fee liable student for the initial enrolment. The 2016 Education Fee rate for a 12 month period (40 school weeks) of enrolment is:

School Year	School Type	Education Fee Annual Rate
Years K – 6	Primary School	\$5,000
Years 7 - 10	Junior High School	\$5,000
Years 11 - 12	Senior High School	\$6,000

An applicant may pay the Temporary Residents Program Education Fees either annually in advance (representing 40 school weeks) or half yearly in advance (representing 20 school weeks). All Education Fees are charged on a whole week basis. If for any reason the student only attends school for a part week, the whole week rate will be charged. All fees are listed in Australian Dollars.

Visitor Visa Holders Administration Fee and Education Fee for 2016

A non-refundable Administration Fee of \$110.00 is required for each fee liable student for the initial enrolment. The 2016 Visitor Visa Education Fee rate per school week of enrolment is:

School Year	School Type	Education Fee Weekly Rate	
Years K – 6	Primary School	\$262.50	
Years 7 - 10	Junior High School	\$312.50	
Years 11 - 12	Senior High School	\$350.00	

Students who hold a visitor visa are restricted to a maximum period of 3 months study (13 school weeks) for the duration of their visa (DIBP Condition 8201). All Education Fees are charged on a whole week basis. If for any reason the student only attends school for a part week, the whole week rate will be charged. All fees are listed in Australian Dollars and are non-refundable.

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Dependants of International Students - Education Fee Rates for 2016

The table below lists the 2016 Education Fee rates for dependants of international students for a 12 month period (40 school weeks) for each type of visa subclass held by the dependant student and for each type of education sector the primary visa holder may study in.

A non-refundable Administration Fee of \$110.00 is required for each fee liable student for the initial enrolment. An applicant may choose to pay the Temporary Residents Program Education Fees either annually in advance (representing 40 school weeks) or half yearly in advance (representing 20 school weeks). All Education Fees are charged on a whole week basis. If for any reason the student only attends school for a part week, the whole week rate will be charged. All fees are listed in Australian Dollars.

Education Fees for 2016

Visa Subclass	Education Sector of Primary Visa Holder	Years K - 6 Primary School	Years 7 - 10 Junior High School	Years 11 - 12 Senior High School
570	Independent ELICOS	\$8,500	\$9,500	\$10,500
570	TAFE NSW (CRICOS Code 00591E) is the parent's current course provider	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$6,000
572	VET Sector	\$8,500	\$9,500	\$10,500
572	TAFE NSW (CRICOS Code 00591E) is the parent's current course provider	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$6,000
573	Higher Education	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$6,000
574	Postgraduate Masters Postgraduate Doctorate studying in a Non NSW institution Recipients of scholarships that include school fees for dependant children	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$6,000
574	Postgraduate Doctorate studying in a NSW education institution. (Excluding recipients of scholarships that include school fees for dependant children)	Liable for Administration Fee only		
575	Non Award	\$8,500	\$9,500	\$10,500
576	Foreign Affairs or Defence Force	Fee Exempt		
580	Student Guardian Dependant	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$6,000

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Visa Subclass 500 Dependants of International Students - Education Fee Rates for 2016

The table below lists the 2016 Education Fee rates for dependants of international students for a 12 month period (40 school weeks) for the visa subclass 500 held by the dependant student and for each type of education sector the primary visa holder may study in.

A non-refundable Administration Fee of \$110.00 is required for each fee liable student for the initial enrolment. An applicant may choose to pay the Temporary Residents Program Education Fees either annually in advance (representing 40 school weeks) or half yearly in advance (representing 20 school weeks). All Education Fees are charged on a whole week basis. If for any reason the student only attends school for a part week, the whole week rate will be charged. All fees are listed in Australian Dollars.

Education Fees for 2016

Visa Subclass	Education Sector of Primary Visa Holder	Years K - 6 Primary School	Years 7 - 10 Junior High School	Years 11 - 12 Senior High School
500	Independent ELICOS	\$8,500	\$9,500	\$10,500
500	TAFE NSW (CRICOS Code 00591E) is the parent's current course provider	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$6,000
500	VET Sector	\$8,500	\$9,500	\$10,500
500	TAFE NSW (CRICOS Code 00591E) is the parent's current course provider	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$6,000
500	Higher Education	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$6,000
500	Postgraduate Masters Postgraduate Doctorate studying in a Non NSW institution Recipients of scholarships that include school fees for dependant children	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$6,000
500	Postgraduate Doctorate studying in a NSW education institution. (Excluding recipients of scholarships that include school fees for dependant children)	Liable for Administration Fee only		
500	Non Award	\$8,500	\$9,500	\$10,500
500	Foreign Affairs or Defence Force	Fee Exempt		
590	Student Guardian Dependant	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$6,000

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What the Education Fees Cover

The Visitor and Temporary Residents Education Fee represent a partial contribution to the education costs of temporary resident students enrolled in the New South Wales government school system.

The Education Fee includes most tuition costs and access to student support services.

The fee includes access to the New South Wales Board of Studies curriculum across all key learning areas, textbook hire, access to student welfare and counselling services, access to intensive English as an Additional Language/Dialect (EAL/D) support for eligible visa holders and access to TAFE subjects if eligible and within the curriculum requirements.

Each school may request voluntary school contributions and charge additional fees for certain subjects or optional extension activities. Voluntary school contributions apply to all students, including those who have paid the Temporary Residents Education Fee and Visitor Visa Education Fee.

What the Education Fees do not Cover

The Visitor and Temporary Residents Education Fees do not cover:

- > The cost of school excursions,
- > The provision of school uniforms,
- > Student medical expenses,
- Subsidised travel under the School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS).

Transport for NSW policy provides that school aged temporary residents are not eligible for the School Student Transport Subsidy unless they hold an exempt visa subclass or are exempt from fees based on capacity to pay. For more information on the School Student Transport Scheme contact <u>Transport for NSW</u>.

Making a Payment

For initial enrolments, payment must be made in Australian dollars by credit card (Visa or Mastercard), bank cheque, bank draft or postal money order. Bank cheques, bank draft or postal money orders must be made payable to "NSW Department of Education". Cash, personal cheques and company cheques are not accepted.

Payment methods using BPay, Internet and Telephone Banking are available for ongoing enrolments. Do not make your payment into any other account as the New South Wales Department of Education accepts no responsibility for payments made to an agent or a third party account.

Upon request, the Temporary Residents Program will issue an official receipt to the applicant for payments received by the New South Wales Department of Education.

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Exemptions from paying the Temporary Residents Education Fee

Some temporary visa subclasses are exempt from paying the education fee. Please refer to the <u>Schedule of Visa Subclass & Conditions</u> document on our website to determine if your visa subclass is categorised as fee exempt. You can also obtain this information by directly contacting the Temporary Residents Program.

Exemptions for Specific Circumstances

Temporary resident students in the following specific circumstances are exempt from payment of the Temporary Residents Program Administration Fee and Education Fee.

- > Students who are in the Residence Determination Program (Community Detention).
- > Dependants of international students who have a full scholarship from the Australian Government or a publicly funded Australian higher education institution (pay Administration Fee only). The Education Fee exemption does not apply to recipients of scholarships where school fees for dependant children are included in the scholarship.
- Dependants of international students who are sponsored by AusAID or the Australian Defence Force.
- Dependants of teachers on exchange programs organised by the NSW Department of Education or in agreements or memoranda of understanding recognised by the Department.
- > Temporary residents enrolled in a NSW government hospital school and receiving in-patient care.
- > Temporary resident students with a link to an Australian citizen or permanent resident by birth, marriage, a genuine de facto relationship or adoption, and who have applied for permanent residency. For more information on an exemption due to a link, please refer to the Link to an Australian Citizen or Permanent Resident document on our website or contact the Temporary Residents Program.

Application for Fee Exemption based on low income

A fee exemption scheme provides assistance to low income families who are unable to pay the Temporary Residents Program Education Fees.

Individual applications for an exemption based on low income must be submitted in writing to the Temporary Residents Program. All applications will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

The use of disposable income, the payment of Australian income tax or the purpose for which the visa was issued is not considered criteria for exemption.

Please refer to the <u>Schedule of Visa Subclass & Conditions</u> document on our website to determine the eligibility of a visa subclass to apply for a fee exemption.

The Exemption Application Form is available on our website or can be obtained on request by contacting the Temporary Residents Program.

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Application for Refund of the Education Fees

Visitor and visas subject to visa condition 8201 (limit of 3 months enrolment) are not eligible to seek a refund of Education Fees.

Other temporary resident students may be entitled to a pro rata refund of the Education Fee if their visa category changes to a fee exempt category, the visa is cancelled, the application to enrol is rejected or the student leaves the school prior to the expiry of their paid period of enrolment. The refund is subject to the following terms and conditions:

The refund will amount to the balance of Education Fees from the date of the change of visa status or the entire Education Fee amount in the case of the initial application being rejected. Any change of visa status must be confirmed by the appropriate documentation issued from the Department of Immigration & Border Protection.

In the event an applicant cancels the application for enrolment into a New South Wales government school, any un-used Education Fees will be refunded to the applicant in accordance with our refund policy. In accordance with risk management policy, where fees are paid by credit card in advance, the Department of Education reserves the right to process any refund back to the same credit card.

If a student decides to withdraw after starting school, they must give a least one week's notice in writing to the Temporary Residents Program and request a refund. Notification of withdrawal must be made in writing and signed by the parent or guardian who signed the Application Form.

The <u>Refund Application Form</u> is available on our website or can be obtained on request by contacting the Temporary Residents Program.

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