

Temporary Residents Program



Fees and Payment:

Most students holding a temporary resident visa are required to pay the Temporary Residents Program Administration Fee and Education Fee. Please refer to the Schedule of Visas document on our website to determine if your visa subclass is classed as a fee liable category.

The New South Wales Department of Education and Training reserves the right to vary fees. Applicants will be required to pay the adjusted fees from the date of variation. Education fees will be 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.

Temporary Resident Administration & Education Fee: (Relates to temporary residents and bridging visa holders but excludes dependants of international students from 19 April 2010)

Students who hold a temporary resident or bridging visa are required to pay the Temporary Residents Program Education Fees 12 months in advance. This represents 40 school weeks of school education. All fees are listed in Australian Dollars. Fees are charged on a whole week basis.

The 2010 Education Fee structure for a 12 month (40 school week) period are:

Years K - 6	Primary School	\$4,500.00
Years 7 - 10	Junior High School	\$4,500.00
Years 11 - 12	Senior High School	\$5,500.00

An Administration Fee of \$110.00 is also required for each fee liable student for the initial enrolment. The Administration Fee is non-refundable and is GST inclusive.

Visitor Visa Administration & Education Fee:

Students who hold a Visitor Visa are restricted to 12 school weeks of study for the duration of the visa (visa condition 8201). Visitor Visa fees are charged on a whole week basis for the period of enrolment. All fees are listed in Australian Dollars.

The 2010 Visitor Visa Education Fee structure for the 12 week period are:

Years K - 6	Primary School	\$2,850.00	(\$237.50 per school week)
Years 7 - 10	Junior High School	\$3,450.00	(\$287.50 per school week)
Years 11 - 12	Senior High School	\$3,870.00	(\$322.50 per school week)

An Administration Fee of A\$110.00 is also required for each student for each period of enrolment. The Administration Fee is non-refundable and is GST inclusive.

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Dependants of International Students Administration & Education Fee: (Effective for enrolments from 19 April 2010)

Most students who are dependants of international students are required to pay the Temporary Residents Program Education Fees 12 months in advance. This represents 40 school weeks of school education.

Education fees vary depending on the visa subclass held by the student and the education sector providing the course to the primary visa holder.

The table below lists the **2010 Education Fee structure** for dependants of international students for a 12 month (40 school week) period for each type of visa subclass and each type of education sector. All fees are listed in Australian Dollars. Fees are charged on a whole week basis.

An Administration Fee of \$110.00 is also required for each fee liable student for the initial enrolment. The Administration Fee is non-refundable and is GST inclusive.

2010 Education Fee Structure

Visa Subclass	Education Sector	Years K - 6 Primary School	Years 7 - 10 Junior High School	Years 11 - 12 Senior High School
570	Independent ELICOS	\$6,500	\$6,500	\$7,500
570	TAFE NSW	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$5,500
572	VET Sector	\$6,500	\$6,500	\$7,500
572	TAFE NSW	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$5,500
573	Higher Education	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$5,500
574	Post Graduate Masters, Post Graduate Doctorate in Non NSW institution & King Abdullah Scholarship Holders	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$5,500
574	Post Graduate Doctorate in NSW institution (Excludes King Abdullah Scholarship holders)	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt
575	Non Award	\$6,500	\$6,500	\$7,500
576	AusAID / Defence Force	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt

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Dependants of International Students (continued)

The table below lists the **2011 Education Fee structure** for dependants of international students for a 12 month (40 school week) period for each type of visa subclass and each type of education sector. All fees are listed in Australian Dollars. Fees are charged on a whole week basis.

An Administration Fee of \$110.00 is also required for each fee liable student for the initial enrolment. The Administration Fee is non-refundable and is GST inclusive.

2011 Education Fee Structure

Visa Subclass	Education Sector	Years K - 6 Primary School	Years 7 - 10 Junior High School	Years 11 - 12 Senior High School
570	Independent ELICOS	\$8,000	\$9,000	\$10,000
570	TAFE NSW	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$5,500
572	VET Sector	\$8,000	\$9,000	\$10,000
572	TAFE NSW	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$5,500
573	Higher Education	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$5,500
574	Post Graduate Masters, Post Graduate Doctorate in Non NSW institution & King Abdullah Scholarship Holders	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$5,500
574	Post Graduate Doctorate in NSW Institution (Excludes King Abdullah Scholarship holders)	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt
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What Do The Fees Cover?

The Visitor and Temporary Residents Education Fee represent a partial contribution to the education costs of temporary residency 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 a Second Language (ESL) 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. These charges apply to all students, including those who have paid the Temporary Residents Education Fee and Visitor Visa Education Fee.

The fee does do not cover:

- The cost of school excursions,
- The provision of school uniforms,
- Student medical expenses,
- The New South Wales Ministry of Transport 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.

Making 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 and Training". **Cash, personal cheques and company cheques are not accepted.**

Payment methods including BPay 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 and Training 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 and Training.

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Exemptions from Paying Fees:

Some temporary visa subclasses are exempt from paying the education fee. Please refer to the Schedule of Visa Subclass & Conditions 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.

Individual applications for an exemption based on capacity to pay must be submitted in writing to the Temporary Residents Program. All applications will be considered on a case-by-case basis in relation to an applicant's capacity to pay. The Exemption Application Form can be obtained on request by contacting the Temporary Residents Program.

Capacity to pay is based on the gross annual income of the family unit. The use of disposable income, the payment of Australian income tax or the purpose for which the visa was issued is not criteria for exemption.

Holders of visitor, short term business, student and trade trainee visas are not eligible to apply for individual exemptions. Please refer to the Schedule of Visa Subclass & Conditions document for a full list of visa subclass conditions.

Claiming a Refund:

A student may be entitled to a refund of the education fee if their visa category changes to an 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 fees from the date of the change of visa status (or cancellation) or the entire Education Fee amount in the case of a rejection of the enrolment. Any change of visa status must be confirmed by the appropriate documentation.

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, any entitled refund will only be processed 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. If this advance notice is not given, a ten (10) week fee will be charged as a late fee.

Notification of withdrawal must be made in writing and signed by the parent/guardian who signed the Application Form. Any refund due will be paid to the nominated person on the Application Form unless this authorisation is changed in writing.

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

The Refund Application Form can be obtained on request by contacting the Temporary Residents Program.