

2023 School Fee Schedule

Tuition Fees

Students in Diocesan Schools Discount %	One 0%	Two 12.5%	Three 35%	Four or more 50%
Primary – per term	\$355.00	\$310.60	\$230.80	\$177.50
Primary – per year	\$1420.00	\$1242.50	\$923.00	\$710.00

*****A Diocese of Rockhampton Discount Claim Form will need to be completed each year to make sure you receive the correct discount to include children you have at other Diocesan Schools - please contact the office if you have not received this form*****

School Based/Consumable Levies

School based Levies are charges for curriculum resources, library books, printing levies, electricity for air conditioners.

No of Students at St Benedict's	One 0%	Two 12.5%	Three 35%	Four or more 50%
Per term	\$84.00	\$73.50	\$54.50	\$42.00
Per year	\$336.00	\$294.00	\$218.00	\$168.00

School Building Levy

- \$420.00 (\$105.00 per term) per family – as this amount now forms a collectable part of school fees no tax deduction is possible

Technology Levy

- \$105.00 (\$26.25 per term) per student – Maximum of \$210.00 (\$52.50 per term) per family per year

1 to 1 iPad Levy – (Year 6 only)

- \$152.00 (\$38.00 per term) per student

P&F Levy

- \$100.00 (\$25.00 per term) per family

SCHOOL FEES

Why School Fees are necessary?

Federal and State governments acknowledge the right of parents to choose the school which best suits their children's needs for educational, religious, cultural or other reasons.

However, in comparison with funds spent on students in government schools, government funds committed to non-government schools remain limited. Your contribution through school fees is essential to the continued operation of your Catholic school.

Funding Building Costs and School/College Infrastructure

Families will appreciate that there is a substantial cost to the Diocese in maintaining and developing the existing school buildings. It is necessary to raise capital income to service related debt or to otherwise support capital works. A differential approach is in place to account for capital income as shown below.

Diocesan Primary Schools – Building Levy

Each family will be charged a building levy (Primary) of \$105.00 per term (\$420.00 per year) per family with normal school fee billings.

As this amount forms a collectable part of school fees, no tax deduction is possible.

School-Based Levies:

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

Specific Purpose Charges:

Additional charges may apply for specific purposes e.g. travel and accommodation related to school field trips and camps, excursions etc. These costs are additional to school-based levies.

Parents' & Friends' Levies:

Parents and Friends' (P&F) in consultation with their school community and School Board may introduce a P&F levy in lieu of significant fund raising. Such a levy is voluntary and not included in the 25% as for General Levies.

Technology Levy:

Schools may charge a Technology Capital Levy of \$105.00 per student up to a maximum of \$210.00 per family. This levy would not be included as part of the 25% as in general levies.

In situations where a family has two or more children across Catholic Diocesan Primary and Secondary Schools, the priority for payment of the levy will be given to the Diocesan Primary School. The levy is to be used strictly for technology capital purposes at the school level.

School Fee Assistance:

If you require further assistance, the Catholic Education – Diocese of Rockhampton policy states:

“No students should be excluded from a Catholic school because of the inability of their parents to pay the prescribed fee - in whole or in part.”

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.

For further information:

Details are available from the school or by contacting your Principal.