

Aspect Schedule of Fees

Registration fee

A \$200 application fee is payable when applying to be included on a school waitlist. This amount is non-refundable. It covers the administration and management of the application process including consideration and storage of reports and information provided to consider the placement. The payment does not guarantee placement.

School Fees

A student's placement at one of our schools is partially funded by state and federal governments. However, these contributions do not cover all the costs of our specialised intensive approach to autism education. The balance of the cost of each place is met through school fees, which are subject to annual review.

Frequency	Primary School	Secondary School	Distance Education (*)
Monthly (12 payments)	\$622.25	\$679	\$275
Over 3 periods (3 times per year)	\$2,489	\$2,716	\$1,100
Yearly (One off payment)	\$7,467	\$8,148	\$3,300

Enrolment fee

On acceptance of a place at an Aspect School, a \$1500 enrolment fee must be paid. This payment will be deducted from the first year's school fees. The enrolment fee is non-refundable. Distance Education students will pay a \$500 non-refundable enrolment fee.

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Invoicing and payment methods

Families are typically invoiced at the end of the year for the following year's fees. New students will be invoiced as they join. This enables families to set up payment plans to spread the cost over the full year. The payment plans can be paid via secure payment

in the Aspect Parent Lounge Portal or Orbit App by direct debit or credit card. Families who have not used this feature before can contact their school to get access. Weekly, fortnightly, or monthly instalment options are available. BPAY payment options are also available, and you will find these details in the top right corner of your invoice. It is a requirement for continuing enrolment that fees be kept up to date, and we ask that all families commit to a payment plan if they do not wish to pay up front. Any family not able to sign up for regular instalments must ensure that the full balance is paid by 30th September each year.

Prompt payment discounts

A discount of \$350 is available for full payment of annual school fees upfront. The deadline to receive this discount is payment in full by 15 February each year.

Sibling discount

When siblings attend an Aspect school at the same time, the eldest child will be charged the full school fee, the second and subsequent children will each receive a 10% discount.

Regional Discount

Some students living in regional areas will receive a regional discount of 12% on their fees. We use the ABS definition of regional so students from Adelaide, Albury, Wagga Wagga, Port Macquarie and Coffs Harbour are currently eligible for this discount.

Financial Hardship Relief Fund

We rely on community support to be able to offer assistance to our students' families in relation to the payment of school fees.

We are able to provide a limited amount of financial hardship support for eligible students, subject to relative need and availability. This helps us broaden access to Aspect School services for those students whose families are experiencing financial difficulties or who would otherwise not be able to afford the annual Aspect School fees. Families are encouraged to discuss this option with their school Principal.

Conditions outlined above are subject to change.

(*)Assistance for Isolated Children scheme for Distance Education students.

Students enrolled in Aspect Distance Education may be eligible for financial support through the [Australian Government's Assistance for Isolated Children \(AIC\) scheme](#), which is administered by Services Australia. This scheme provides support to help with the costs associated with distance education for students who cannot attend a local school. Please [download the AIC scheme guide](#) or contact the distance education team, distanceed@aspect.org.au if you would like more information and help with the process.



Additional costs

In addition to school fees, families may be asked to pay for, but not limited to, excursions, camps, sport programs, community access programs, and satellite class host school payment. Distance Education fees are inclusive of all charges except travel costs associated with face to face days & resources to access online learning including IT, WIFI, Printer etc.

Building and IT Fund Contributions

Invoices for school fees also include a contribution to the Building and IT Fund which are used to support improvements to school facilities and technology. This is a voluntary contribution and is the only portion of the fees that are tax-deductible. Aspect schools are funded through a combination of government funding, parent contributions, and fundraising.

Withdrawal from school

If you intend to withdraw your child from school, you are required to give the school Principal one term's notice in writing. If notice received is less than one term, 1 month of school fees will be payable in lieu of notice.

