



2009 School Costs

What's the school bill for 2009?

The Australian Scholarships Group (ASG) has released estimates of the amounts parents can reasonably expect to pay in 2009 depending on their school choices for their children and their children's stage of schooling.

SCHOOL STAGE - 2009 COSTS	PRESCHOOL SCHOOLING	PRIMARY SCHOOLING	SECONDARY SCHOOLING
GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS	Up to \$	Up to \$	Up to \$
Tuition Fees/Levies	1,116	1,375	1,768
Requisites	356	658	838
Clothing	352	659	779
Incidentals	955	1,329	828
Computer & Internet	not applicable	1,515	1,725
TOTAL	2,779	5,536	5,938
SYSTEMIC SCHOOLS (eg Catholic)	Up to \$	Up to \$	Up to \$
Tuition Fees/Levies	2,790	3,129	7,741
Requisites	429	676	887
Clothing	408	715	957
Incidentals	893	1,507	833
Computer & Internet	not applicable	1,415	1,726
TOTAL	4,520	7,442	12,144
PRIVATE SCHOOLS	Up to \$	Up to \$	Up to \$
Tuition Fees/Levies	5,393	8,408	17,530
Requisites	460	756	1,002
Clothing	432	818	1,088
Incidentals	910	1,674	957
Computer & Internet	not applicable	1,474	1,859
TOTAL	7,195	13,130	22,436

Assumptions:	These figures assume that a child will attend preschool at four years of age and attend school at five years.
Source:	The Australian Scholarships Group conducted an online education costs snapshot survey among its Member parents during November 2006. Education cost information was captured about more than 1200 children from ASG members who participated in the survey. The survey asked parents to estimate the costs associated with tuition fees and levies, requisites, clothing, incidentals, and computer and internet costs that they paid for their children in the education stages of preschool, primary and secondary schooling at government, systemic (eg Catholic), and private centres and schools.
Summary Amounts:	Summary amounts include Tuition Fees and Levies, Requisites, Clothing, Incidentals, Computer and Internet Costs.
Tuition Fees and Levies:	Includes total tuition and/or annual, fees, charges, levies, and fundraising contributions.
Requisites:	Includes items such as stationery, textbooks, school bag, art and craft materials, sports and music equipment, and other requisites appropriate to the stage of schooling for each child.
Clothing:	Includes school-related special clothing requirements, basic school uniform - summer and winter, blazer, shoes, sports uniform/tracksuit appropriate to the stage of schooling for each child.
Incidentals:	Includes items such as outings, camps, private tuition, music lessons, instruments, coaching, gym/drama/art/dance classes, travel and commuting to school, or any other costs appropriate to the stage of schooling for each child.
Computer and Internet Costs:	Includes computer hardware and software (eg purchase or rental of desktop computer and/or laptop computer, software applications and programs, computer levies, etc) and internet access costs at home and/or at school.
Indexation:	*Preschool and primary tuition fees and levies have been indexed by the CPI Preschool and Primary Education Sub-Index growth factor averaged over the past five years up to September 2008 of 5.40%. #Secondary tuition fees and levies have been indexed by the CPI Secondary Education Sub-Index growth factor averaged over the past five years up to September 2008 of 6.89%. For year 2007, the 2006 value has been increased by the CPI to year to September 2007. For the year 2008, the 2007 value has been increased by the CPI for the year to September 2008.
Important note:	These figures are provided as a guide only. ASG cannot guarantee that they will represent the actual costs of education for a particular child.

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