

2019 Annual Tuition Fees

	Junior School			Secondary School	
	K-2	Year 3-4	Year 5-6	Year 7-10	Year 11-12
1st child (eldest at school)	\$ 6,990	\$ 9,500	\$ 9,850	\$11,950	\$13,150
2nd child (sibling discount applied)	\$ 6,011	\$ 7,410	\$ 7,683	\$ 9,321	\$10,257
3rd child (sibling discount applied)	\$ 3,285	\$ 4,465	\$ 4,630	\$ 5,617	\$ 6,181
4th child (& onwards)	Free tuition	Free tuition	Free tuition	Free tuition	Free tuition

Preschool

Preschool 2 days Preschool 3 days

\$ 5,320

\$ 7,980

No sibling discount for Preschool children.
The cost for additional days are available on request.

Care After Preschool – (CAP) – 3 to 6pm

Permanent booking - \$10, Casual booking - \$15

New Enrolment Fees

Application Fee per family	\$ 250
Enrolment Bond per child Kindy to Year 6 for 2019	\$ 1,000
Enrolment Bond per child Year 7 to Year 12 for 2019	\$ 1,500

When to Pay

School fee accounts are sent via email prior to each term. Annual fees are due the first day of first term. We accept instalments on the first day of each term. This does not represent a term fee but simply a payment option.

Overdue family fee accounts incur a \$75 reminder fee for every reminder sent. All fees are GST free.

Payment Options

- ✓ BPay direct from bank account (preferred payment method)
- ✓ Cheque
- ✓ Direct Debit
- ✓ BPay Visa/Mastercard/Amex (+ credit card surcharge)

Maintenance Levy / PIP

Maintenance Levy (K-12)	\$ 720
Parent Involvement Program (PIP) (K-12) fee reduction*	- \$ 720

Tuition Fees

Most school expenses are included in the tuition fees.

Included

- Excursions (most)
- Work and textbooks (most) – Kindergarten to Year 12
- Compulsory overnight camps (most)
- Non-elective sports
- Swimming programs for Junior School, Year 7 & 8
- Band programs
- Student Accident Insurance
- iPads – Years 5 to 9

Optional Extras

- Hospitality elective Year 11 & 12 - \$550 per child p.a.
- Some elective sports
- Padlock purchase for use with school locker
- Private music tuition
- Elective enrichment camps – Maths, Writing, Art, Drama camps etc
- External courses Year 9 to 12
- External optional State and National exam competitions
- Covenant Dance Academy and other extra-curricular after school workshops

See explanation notes for more information

Notes and Explanation of Tuition Fees

Tuition & Maintenance Fees

Bursary (Fee Relief) - If genuine financial difficulties are experienced, please contact the Business Manager at the start of the year or as soon as a difficulty arises.

Maintenance Levy - Parents of students in Kindergarten to Year 12 are charged a Maintenance Levy of \$720 per family per annum. This assists with the maintenance of buildings, grounds and sporting facilities.

Parent Involvement and Support

Parent Involvement Program (PIP)* - The purpose of the PIP is to encourage parents to be involved within the life of the school community. Your contribution helps the school to maintain its high standards, and provides opportunities for the school community (parents, staff, students and friends) to interact. It is also a great and practical way to reduce your fees for the year.

Each family with students in Kindergarten to Year 12 is asked to contribute 24 hours to the life of the school each year. Parents only need to complete **one** PIP Declaration of Hours form (per family) to claim the fee credit. These hours can be accumulated in a variety of ways e.g. assisting with canteen, reading groups, working bees, library, sport carnivals, camps etc. When you have completed your PIP for the year, the full amount will be credited in one lump sum. If the total hours required have not been completed by the end of the school year, you may still claim for the hours you have accumulated (\$180 per 6 hours). Accumulated hours over the required amount (24 hours) cannot be carried over to the next calendar year.

Building & Bursary Funds - Gifts to the Building Fund are voluntary and benefit every student, present and future, by helping to provide additional buildings and resources. Gifts to the Bursary Fund help families, who are experiencing financial hardship, to allow their children to remain at Covenant. When making a donation, please inform the Business Manager to ensure a tax deductible receipt is issued.

Uniforms - All uniform items except shoes must be purchased from the Uniform Shop. The school reserves the right to provide a student with a uniform item and to add the cost to the school fees if the student is repeatedly out of uniform.

What's Included

Excursions, Camps and Electives - The school may pass on additional charges incurred for excursions, electives, camps, etc. A charge is included in the fees to cover most transport costs and admission charges for compulsory excursions and camps. If the cost of an excursion or camp exceeds this charge, parents will be advised by the organising teacher.

Student Accident Insurance - Fees include student accident and injury cover for all school activities. Details can be obtained from the Business Manager.

School Textbooks - The school will provide most required textbooks. All resources (textbook and other resources) remain the property of Covenant Christian School. Each student is responsible for maintaining all school textbook resources in good condition. Texts that are lost or damaged will require replacement at cost to the parents.

Technology - Year 10 to 12 students will be required to bring their own notebook or laptop style device to school. All Year 5 to 9 students will be issued with an iPad. The iPad remains the property of the school. In 2020, students in Year 9 will be required to bring their own laptop.

Optional Extras

Sport - Some sport options, particularly in Secondary School, involve the hire of buses, facilities or equipment, e.g. squash, futsal. Students, in consultation with their parents, can choose different options. The charges will be invoiced at the start of the relevant term. Primary sport and swimming programs for Junior School, and Year 7 and 8 are included in the fees.

External Courses - Students in Years 9 -12 may have the option of doing a course externally through the Department of Education, TAFE or iCEN. There are additional charges for such courses. Any government subsidies received by the school for students undertaking such courses are forwarded on to the family accounts.

Leaving the School

Enrolment Bond - Upon written request, enrolment bond refunds will be made when the last student of the family leaves, and after all financial obligations have been paid in full, including the return of all textbooks and school equipment. If a request for a refund is not received in writing by the school within six months of the last student leaving, the enrolment bond will be deemed a donation to the school. The enrolment bond will not be refunded if a place is accepted but then the student does not subsequently attend the school.

Outstanding Fees - Families with outstanding school fees as at the last day of the school year will receive a letter advising of the potential termination of enrolment for the following year. Accounts that are consistently overdue will have their payment terms changed to a "Payment in Advance" on a term-by-term basis. Continued failure to pay the tuition fees can compromise ongoing enrolment.

Notice of Withdrawal - As per the Terms of Enrolment, parents are required to give at least one term's notice in writing of termination of enrolment. Parents of students in Year 6 who are not continuing on to Year 7 at Covenant Christian School must give at least two terms' notice. Failure to do so will incur a further charge (i.e. a quarter of the annual fee including all surcharges).

Please also refer to full terms and conditions as listed on the reverse side of each fee statement.