



Fees & Financial
Information
2024



Investigator
College



Commitment to Affordable Education

Each year, careful consideration and a high degree of importance is placed on ensuring that the high quality of education we provide at Investigator College remains affordable and attainable for all families.

We strive continuously to deliver an affordable world-class education, and extensive extra-curricular opportunities, while ensuring we maintain a sustainable approach to the changing needs of our students into the future.



Fee Schedule & Discounts

FEE SCHEDULE

Tuition Fees

Investigator College is proud to announce that there will be **no increase** to Tuition Fees for the 2024 School Year.

Full Fee - Annual Rate	
Reception - Year 4	\$4,940
Years 5 - 6	\$5,150
Year 7	\$5,780
Year 8	\$6,050
Years 9 - 10	\$7,120
Years 11 - 12	\$7,900

Capital Development Levy

First Child	\$320
Second Child	\$275
Third Child	\$230
Fourth & Subsequent Children	Nil

ADDITIONAL DISCOUNTS

Early Payment Discount: Full Year

A 6% discount is available for families electing to pay their account in full by the close of business on the first Friday of Term 1.

This discount is applied to Tuition Fees, excludes the Capital Development Levy, Bus Co-Contribution and any Stationery Charges, and is applied in addition to any other discounts or scholarships.

Sibling Discounts

Sibling discounts are applied to Tuition Fees.

Second Child	15%
Third Child	30%
Fourth Child	45%
Fifth & Subsequent Child/ren	100%

Stationery and Textbook Charges

Reception - Year 6	\$135
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Stationery and Textbook charges are charged to the fee account. Families are required to purchase textbooks and stationery for students in Year 7 -12 separately. Textbooks should be ordered through Lighthouse Books, with instructions for Booklist Ordering distributed during Term 4.

Initial Account

The initial account issued at the beginning of each school year is a combination of the Tuition Fees, Sibling Discounts, the Capital Development Levy and any relevant Stationery and Textbook charges.

Early Payment Discount: Half Year

A 3% discount is available for families electing to pay their full year account in two instalments: one by the close of business on the first Friday of Term 1, and one by the first Friday of Term 3.

This discount is applied to Tuition Fees, excludes the Capital Development Levy and any Stationery Charges, and is applied in addition to any other discounts, scholarships or bursaries.



Additional Financial Information

TRANSPORTATION & EQUIPMENT

Bus Co-Contribution

Families utilising the Investigator College bus service contribute toward the sustainable operation of our bus service through a small fee each term.

Term Booking	\$100 per Student
Single Trip	\$5 per Student

Camps, Specialist Subjects and Other Costs

Where students avail themselves of camps and activities that fall outside the standard curriculum included in the Tuition Fees schedule (e.g. Year 9 - 12 Specialist Subjects material expenses), additional levies may be charged. Families are encouraged to plan for camp expenses.

PAYMENTS AND ASSISTANCE

Payment Methods

Payments can be made by:

- cash or cheque
- Visa or Mastercard
- BPay
- direct debit through the Synergetic Community Portal (via the 'Parent Login' tab on our website)
- EFTPOS at the Finance Office.

Phone credit card payments are also accepted.

Payment Plans and Agreements

Investigator College offers various payment frequency options and intervals to assist families to pay their account on time.

Our Payment Agreement form outlines the options available and may be requested from our Finance Team via email or collected from the Investigator College Administration.

Please return the completed form to the Finance Office, noting that it should be lodged prior to the end of Term 4.

Financial Assistance

Our Finance Team is available to assist any families that may encounter difficulty in making payment.

Should you anticipate any difficulty or have any issues arising that may make payment of your fees difficult, please contact our Finance Office to discuss available options. All discussions pertaining to fees or finance remain confidential.

Late Payment Policy

In instances where fees remain unpaid past the due date, Investigator College reserves the right to charge late fees on current year amounts that have not been paid in accordance with the elected payment frequency.

Advance notice of the intent to charge late fees will be provided in the first instance. The late fee penalty is \$20 and levied on a monthly basis.

Enrolment Termination Notification

Investigator College kindly asks that any family intending to discontinue their enrolment provide formal notice a minimum of 10 school weeks from the date of the student's anticipated departure. Notifications that fall within 10 school weeks will attract charges for fees in lieu of notice.

BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE (BYOD) PROGRAM

Our BYOD Program

Year 6 - 12 students will be required to participate in the BYOD program which is designed to allow students to choose and bring to the learning environment one or several devices of their choice. Further BYOD information can be found here:

➤ www.investigator.sa.edu.au/byod

Additional Financial Information

ENROLMENT

Application and Enrolment Fees

A non-refundable Application Fee of \$50.00 per student must accompany the Enrolment Application Form. The payment of this fee does not guarantee an offer of enrolment.

To confirm enrolment at the College, an Enrolment Acceptance Fee of \$300 per student is payable. The Enrolment Acceptance Fee will be credited to the tuition fee account on commencement.

The Enrolment Acceptance Fee is non-refundable in the event that the enrolment is cancelled by the parent/caregiver.

ACCUMULATED DISCOUNT PROGRAM

Save For Your Student's Educational Future

Investigator College offers current and future parents/caregivers of the College the ability to save for the education of their children. Accounts in credit receive an accumulated discount that, together with the principal amount, can be used to pay for educational needs as they arise.

The saving scheme is run through the family fee account. Any account that is in credit will receive an accumulated discount that is linked to the NAB 90-day term deposit interest rate. This growth may only be used for school-related costs and cannot be refunded.

Future parents/caregivers of the College can request that their fee account be set up to hold credit amounts by contacting the Finance Office.

BUILDING FUND

Supporting Future Facilities

Investigator College operates a dedicated Building Fund to allow parents/caregivers and families to contribute to key infrastructure and facilities-based projects for the future.

All donations to the Building Fund (above the amount of \$2.00) are tax deductible.

To make a donation to our Building Fund or to learn more, please contact our Finance Team (details below).

CONTACT

Finance Team

Should you have any questions, require further information or assistance with fees or financial arrangements, please contact our friendly Finance Team via email:

✉ accounts@investigator.sa.edu.au

Alternatively, our Finance Office is located on the ground floor of our Senior School Building, and is open for payments and enquiries during regular school hours (8:30am - 4:00pm) each school term.



Scholarships

Investigator College celebrates the opportunity to assist students and families to access high-quality education.

Accordingly, the College offers a range of Scholarships each year to ensure that circumstance does not inhibit promising students by restricting access to the innovative and well-resourced facilities offered at Investigator College.

Further information on our Scholarships Program is available on the Investigator College website:

➔ www.investigator.sa.edu.au/scholarships





High-Quality Early Years Education

Offering far more than a traditional day care or kindergarten, and able to draw on the full range of resources, specialised subject expertise and learning spaces offered by Investigator College, Little Investigators offers a proven pre-school learning pathway which provides a strong foundation for your child's learning future.

Great care is taken to ensure that accessing the world-class learning, facilities and educational opportunities offered by our Early Learning Centre remains affordable for families.



Early Learning Centre: Fee Schedule & Financial Information



FEE SCHEDULE

Our Fees

Our Fee Schedule for the 2024 school year is provided below. Fees for our Early Learning Centre represent the daily rate, unless otherwise stated.

Program	Cost	Times
Long Day Care	\$110.00	8:00am - 3:30pm
Pre-School	\$110.00	8:00am - 3:30pm
Post-Day Care	\$15.00	3:30pm - 5:00pm
Vacation Care	\$100.00	8:00am - 4:00pm

CHILD CARE SUPPORT

CCS Subsidised Fees

Eligible families are able to access the Child Care Subsidy (CCS) through Services Australia. The CCS is paid directly to Little Investigators, with the difference or 'gap' remaining becoming what you pay.

The rate of subsidy each family can access varies depending on their individual circumstances - but in many cases the discount is substantial, ensuring that accessing our programs is very affordable.

For more information, please visit:

www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/child-care-subsidy

Full Fees

Since CCS subsidies vary in each individual case, it is important that parents/caregivers intending to enrol with us complete a CCS application through Services Australia and provide us with their relevant CCS information, including the Customer Reference Number (CRN) for both themselves and their child, when enrolling.

Unfortunately, if you are unable to provide your CCS information, we are required to charge our full rate. CCS subsidies also cannot be applied retrospectively, so we encourage you to apply for support through Services Australia in the lead up to your child becoming eligible to access care.

OTHER FEES

Late Collection

In instances where a child is due to be collected at our regular finishing time of 3:30pm, but is collected late without prior booking into our post-care program, a late fee will be applicable.

Our rate for late collection of children reflects the industry standard of \$1.00 per minute for the additional time between our scheduled end of day and the collection of the child.

Any late fees incurred will be added to the regular direct debit for the following week. Late fees are applied at the discretion of our Director.

Uniform

Our uniform is important - both for a sense of belonging for each child and for identification of our learners when we venture outside of the ELC.

Uniform polo shirts, vests and hats can be purchased from the College Uniform Shop. Parents/Caregivers may supply blue shorts or track pants to match the polo shirts.

A coat and boots should also be provided, especially during terms when they are most likely to be needed, and should remain at the Centre.

Enrolment Application

If you are joining our Early Learning Centre, a small one-time application fee of \$50.00 is payable when submitting your Enrolment Application Form.



Where Do Our Fees Go?

Investigator College is a registered not-for-profit organisation, meaning that every cent contributed by our Parents/Caregivers and families is re-invested into providing the best possible education, facilities and opportunities for our students – both now and into the future.

TUITION FEES

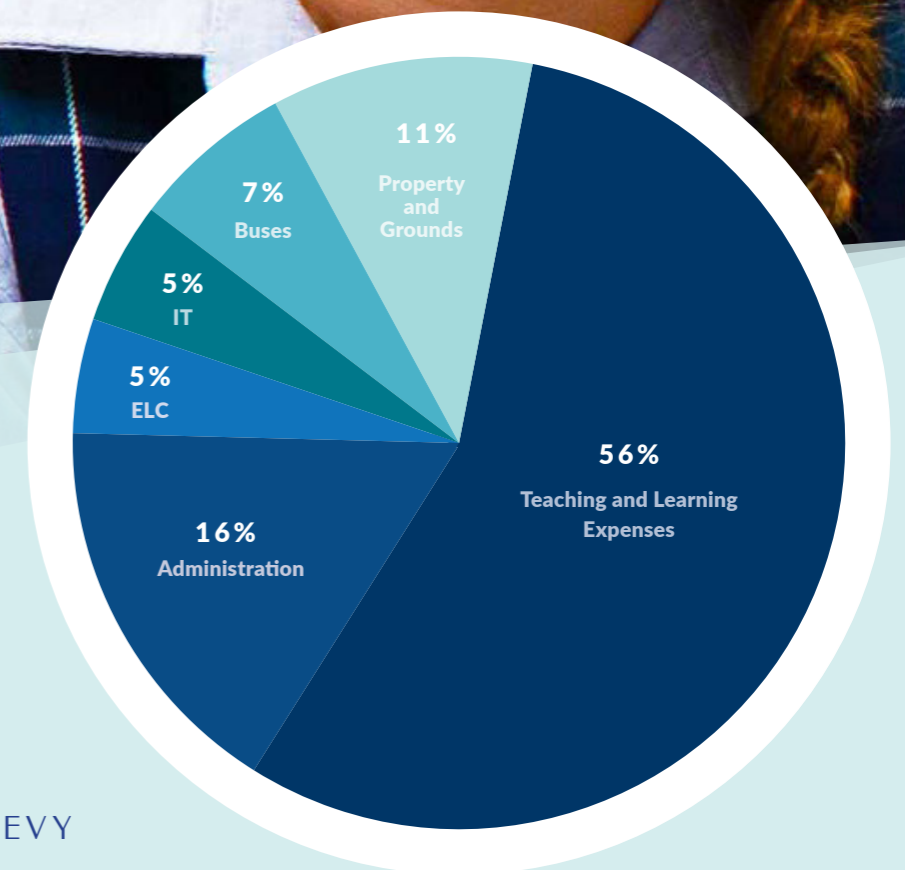
Staff

Our Tuition Fees allow us to attract and employ our wonderful team of teaching staff, school leaders, support officers and administrators. Contributions made through Tuition Fees help to ensure that we maintain excellence in service to our students, parents and families - both within the classroom, and more broadly across our Investigator College community.

Operational Requirements

Tuition Fees also play a key role in ensuring that Investigator College continues to operate effectively, including contributions toward our utilities, technology services and annual curriculum-related expenses such as excursions, teaching resources and student wellbeing programs.

CHART
Estimated apportioning of Investigator College expenses for the 2024 School Year



CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT LEVY

Buildings, Facilities and Equipment

The financial contributions made by our families through the Capital Development Levy directly support the development and maintenance of our campus grounds, buildings and equipment.

Where there is a surplus above the cost of our annual maintenance schedule, any additional finance contributes toward the purchase of new equipment or the addition of new buildings or facilities - helping to ensure we continuously provide an exceptional environment for teaching and learning.

STATIONERY/TEXTBOOK FEES

Classroom Consumables

As the title suggests, 100% of any Stationery or Textbook fees collected covers the cost of resources that are utilised or consumed in the process of daily educational practice. Keeping our teaching and learning staff well-supplied ensures that they are able to deliver a rich, innovative and engaging learning experience for our students in every Year Level.

We are excited to welcome you into a new year of life
and learning with us at Investigator College.

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