



EDMONTON CATHOLIC SCHOOLS 2018-2019 SCHOOL FEES

ECSD School Fees have now been approved by the Minister of Education.



SCHOOLS CANNOT CHARGE FOR:

textbooks, workbooks, photocopying, and printing paper



SCHOOLS CAN CHARGE FOR:

agendas; technology user fees including student-used software, apps, and site licenses; headphones; whole school activities (cultural or musical presentations, plays, student council/union); communication envelopes/pouches; and PE apparel, if mandatory at the elementary and junior high level. We have bundled this as a Supplemental Education fee and set a maximum charge of:

Kindergarten:	\$30
Grades 1-6:	\$50
Grades 7-9	\$60
Grades 10-12:	\$90

And schools can also charge for:

- Academies
- Senior High \$90 refundable textbook deposit
- Options/complementary courses
- Activities like Field trips, farewell/graduation activities
- IB and AP exams
- Personal music equipment like recorders, mouthpieces/reeds, and hand bell gloves
- Optional items and activities: social activities; hot lunches; yearbooks; extracurricular teams; clubs; optional fitness program/fitness room access; apparel; refundable cap and gown rental
- Replacement of lost resources or those that have been damaged beyond use



Q & A

Q: Did the government eliminate charging all school fees?

A: The government only eliminated specific school fees for textbooks, workbooks, photocopying and printing paper.

Q: My school used to collect all field trip fees in September. Why did that change?

A: September is a very expensive month for families. We have stopped collecting field trip fees upfront that could be paid later to ease the financial strain on families.

Q: How will I know what the fees are in my school?

A: Your school's fee structure will be posted on their website once approved by the Minister, hopefully by the end of August. Your school will also inform you of your child's specific fees, based on their courses in late September.

Q: What if I can't afford my school fees?

A: Please meet or contact your school principal to discuss your circumstances and determine if you need an alternate payment plan or if you need your school fees waived.