

School Card Information for families

The School Card scheme offers financial assistance with school fees (material and services charges) for students attending government schools in that year.

Families must apply each year for each student at the school the child attends.



Families may apply online at sa.gov.au/education/schoolcard - Educational and Learning - Financial Support - School Card Scheme. Choose the form that is most appropriate to your circumstances. If you need help completing the form, phone the School Card section on 1800 672 758 (free call). Front office staff are also able to help you fill in a paper version available at the school. Please bring your Centrelink card with you. You will be notified by the School Card Scheme of the outcome of your application. All approved applicants will have their assistance applied to their fees. Ineligible applicants will be required to pay their fees in full to the school.

The table below shows the income limits for 2020. It is suggested that you apply even if you do not think you are eligible.

Income limits

The tables below list the income limits for applications lodged in 2020 – based on the family's gross income in 2018/2019.

To qualify for School Card, your family's gross income must be below a certain limit. This limit depends on how many dependent children you have and whether your child attends a government, independent, or Catholic school.

You will need to provide proof of income – eg payslips or Centrelink information.

Eligibility income limits for a student attending a government school

Number of dependent children	Gross annual income limit	Gross weekly income limit
1 child	\$60,264	\$1,159
2 children	\$61,340	\$1,180
3 children	\$62,416	\$1,201
4 children	\$63,492	\$1,222
5 children	\$64,568	\$1,243
More than 5 children	Add \$1,076 for each dependent child	Add \$21 for each dependent child