The approximate cost of the tuition fee component of a Catholic primary school education over a 40 week school year is $37.50 per week (or $28.80 per calendar week). For a secondary education, the approximate tuition fee ranges from $64.30 per school week ($49.50 per calendar week) for lower secondary to $78.90 per school week ($60.70 per calendar week) for higher secondary.

School Fees also comprise of levies, which vary from school to school, and may include items such as a Building Levy, Subject Levies and General Purpose Levy. Levies in secondary colleges add approximately $40 per week. These approximations are before Subsequent Child and Rural Location discounts.

Discounts apply for families with more than one child attending Catholic schools in the Diocese of Cairns. In primary and secondary schools, a 15% discount on tuition fees applies for two children, a 30% discount for three children, and up to a 70% discount for seven children.

In Catholic secondary colleges, a 15% discount on tuition fees applies for two children, 30% for three children, and up to a 70% discount for seven children. Families with children at both primary and secondary Catholic schools in the Cairns Diocese also receive a discount even though the children are at two different Catholic schools.

Twelve primary schools in the diocese and two secondary colleges attract a further discount because of their rural location and/or having limited access to a Catholic secondary college.

Please refer to the Explanatory Notes below, to assist with calculating fees from the 2017 Per Student Tuition Fee Schedule, overleaf.

Explanatory Notes

- To calculate tuition fees payable, the following steps are necessary;
  a) Determine number of students per family attending Catholic schools in the Diocese of Cairns.
  b) Identify that column in Per Student Tuition Fee Schedule (top of schedule).
  c) Identify annual fee per student from that column for each level of education the students are receiving. That is Primary, Middle School, Lower Secondary or Upper Secondary.
  d) If the students are attending a ‘Country Discount’ school the annual fee per student is the fee per student after country discount.

- Examples of tuition fee calculation for different family structures are; (non-country discount schools)

  1. **2 Student family with both students in Primary School**
     a) From the column ‘2 students in Parish & Diocesan Schools’ the annual fee per student is $1,275.
     b) Annual tuition fees for this family structure are $2,550 ($1,275 per student times 2 students).

  2. **3 Student family with all students in Primary School**
     a) From the column ‘3 students in Parish & Diocesan Schools’ the annual fee per student is $1,050.
     b) Annual tuition fees for this family structure are $3,150 ($1,050 per student times 3 students).

  3. **2 Student family with 1 student in Primary and 1 student in Lower Secondary**
     a) From the column ‘2 students in Parish & Diocesan Schools’ the annual fee for the primary student is $1,275 and the annual fee for the lower secondary student is $1,801.
     b) Annual tuition fees for this family structure are $3,076 ($1,275 + $1,801).

  4. **3 Student family with 1 student in Primary, 1 student in Lower Secondary and 1 student in Upper Secondary**
     a) From the column ‘3 students in Parish & Diocesan Schools’ the annual fee for the primary student is $1,050, the annual fee for the lower secondary student is $1,801 and the annual fee for the upper secondary student is $2,210.
     b) Annual tuition fees for this family structure are $5,061 ($1,050 + $1,801 + $2,210).
## Catholic Diocese of Cairns 2017 Per Student Tuition Fee Schedule

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### Schools Qualifying as Country Discount

- St Joseph’s School, Atherton
- St Michael’s School, Gordonvale
- St John’s School, Silkwood
- St Clare’s School, Tully
- Good Counsel Primary School, Innisfail
- St Rita’s School, Babinda
- St Augustine’s School, Mossman
- St Rita’s School, South Johnstone
- St Teresa’s School, Ravenshoe
- St Joseph’s Parish School, Weipa
- St Anthony’s School, Dimbulah
- Mount St Bernard College, Herberton
- St Stephen’s Catholic College, Mareeba
- Our Lady of the Sacred Heart School, Thursday Island
- Our Lady Help of Christians School, Earlville
- St Thomas’ School, Mareeba
- Mother of Good Counsel School, North Cairns
- St Joseph’s School, Parramatta Park
- St Augustine’s College, Cairns
- Good Counsel College, Innisfail
- St Francis Xavier’s School, Manunda
- St Andrew’s Catholic College, Redlynch
- MacKillop Catholic College, Mount Peter

### In addition to the above schools the 2017 Tuition Fee Schedule applies to:

- Our Lady of the Sacred Heart School, Thursday Island
- Good Counsel College, Innisfail
- St Francis Xavier’s School, Manunda
- St Andrew’s Catholic College, Redlynch
- MacKillop Catholic College, Mount Peter

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