

#### **APPLICATION FOR FEE REDUCTION 2024**

#### Information for Parents / Guardians

Catholic Education in the Archdiocese of Canberra & Goulburn (CECG) is committed to assisting families experiencing significant financial difficulties with the payment of their child/ren's school fees. This is in line with the CECG Fees Policy where no child will be denied a Catholic education because of an inability (as opposed to an unwillingness) to pay full school fees.

Families experiencing financial difficulty are welcome to complete the attached application for fee reduction. Please note that this form is to be used whatever the reason for financial difficulty – including due to the financial impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Fee reductions are not, in the normal course of events, able to be provided to full fee-paying visa students. If you are the parent/guardian of a full fee-paying student and are financially impacted by COVID-19 resulting in an inability to pay full school fees, please complete this form and submit to your school. Your application will be reviewed by the Catholic Education Office.

It is recognised that families make choices and priorities with regards to their standard of living, investments, education and extra-curricular activities. The school considers that families who have chosen a Catholic Education believe it important and that fee payments will be prioritised accordingly.

Fee concession decisions will usually apply to fees in the year in which the application has been submitted and depending on the reason, will often be granted for the full year. A separate application will be required for concession requests in subsequent years (or on a term by term basis if requested). Families requesting fee assistance are requested to lodge their fee reduction applications at the beginning of each term or year as appropriate.

Any fee reductions granted as a result of the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic will be granted on a term-by-term basis only with a new application required at the beginning of each term. Applications for COVID-19 related fee reductions must be lodged by the Monday of the last week of term for which the remission is requested. Retrospective COVID-19 fee remissions will not be accepted.

Government Grants provide part of the funding required to operate CECG schools. The balance of operating costs must be found through school fees. The continued existence of CECG schools are dependent on parents paying the required level of fees. Every effort will be made by schools to recover fees from parents who are deemed to have the capacity to pay.

Based on the information provided in this form, the School's Fees Committee will determine an appropriate level of fee support based on guidelines provided by CECG. Please note however that only CECG can approve any fee reductions for full fee-paying students. You may be asked to meet to discuss various aspects of your application. It is necessary that where you are granted a reduction in school fees that you commit to and maintain a suitable payment plan.

If you would like to apply for a reduction in fees, please complete this form and return it to the school front office as soon as possible.

All applications and information provided is treated confidentially.



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## CONFIDENTIAL

## DETAILS OF APPLICANTS

Name of Mother/Guardian					
Are you a single parent household YES/NO					
Residential Address					
Home Ph	Mobile_				
Occupation					
Employer					
Work Ph		Part time 🗌	Casual 🗌		
Name of Father/Guardian					
Are you a single parent household YES/NO					
Residential Address					
Home Ph	Mobile_				
Occupation					
Employer					
Work Ph	Full time 🗌	Part time 🗌	Casual		

### DETAILS OF DEPENDANT CHILDREN

Name		Date of Birth	School		Year Group
I/We request a reduction in	fees because of:				
Low income	Unemployme	Unemployment/Redundancy		COVID-19 financial	impacts 🗌
Other 🗌 (Please specify in section 'Other Information').					
If there is a payment arrang	ement with another sch	ool, please provi	de details:		
Name of School		Fees per term paid under arrangement \$			



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FINANCIALS						
Wages for Mother/Guardian         Gross         Tax         Other Deductions (please specify)         Net wages         Wages for Father/Guardian         Gross         Tax         Other Deductions (please specify)         Net wages         Mages for Father/Guardian         Gross         Tax         Other Deductions (please specify)         Net wages         Other Income / Benefits         Centrelink /Family Assistance	FINAN \$ per fortnight \$ per fo	Assets – what you ownHouseVehicle/sSuperannuationInvestment PropertyShare PortfolioInvestment AccountsOther – (Please specify)TOTAL ASSETSLiabilities – what you oweHome Loan	<pre>\$ estimated value \$ \$ estimated value </pre>			
JobSeeker		Car Loan				
Child Support		Credit card/s				
Other income (please specify)		Other loans				
		Other debts- (Please specify	()			
TOTAL NET INCOME (after tax and \$	d other deductions)	TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$			
<u>Expenses</u>	\$ per fortnight		Ψ			
Childcare		NET ASSETS				
Medical Expenses		(Assets less liabilities)	\$			
Rent/Mortgage/Board			Ψ			
Other extraordinary expenses (Please specify in section 'Other Informa	ition')					
We require copies of the listed documents (only those relevant to your financial situation).						
$\boxtimes$ Please cross or tick the box		□ Income statement from Cent	relink/Family Assistance Office			
Rent receipt or bank/financial institut mortgage balance and minimum rep	•	Bank/financial institution stat for the last 4 weeks	ement showing cash balances			
Health Care Card or Pension Card o JobSeeker payment	r evidence of	Evidence of any deductions	noted			
Taxation return and Tax assessment		$\Box$ Pay slips (the last four)				
year (not relevant for COVID-19 rela requests)	ted fee reduction	Letter from employer confirm job.	ning reduced hours or loss of			
<b>DECLARATION</b> I/We declare and certify that all information contained in this application is true and correct. I/We will immediately advise the school if my/our financial circumstances change so that the fees payable can be reassessed. I/ I/We acknowledge our commitment to paying the school fees and understand that full fees will be due if an agreement with the school is not kept.						
Name:            Name:            Signature						
Date / /	[	Date / /				



### **OTHER INFORMATION**

Please include in this section additional information relevant to your application. This may include but is not limited to, costs associated with any medical conditions, childcare costs or extraordinary circumstances. Please ensure supporting documentation is provided.

OFFICE USE ONLY	
Pension/health care card sighted	Recommendation:
	Fee reduction approved: \$
All documents attached	Date of Approval:
Application received by:	Approved by Fees Review Committee members:
Enrolment signed by:	
	Signed:
FAMILY ID:	Signed:
	Signed: