



2020/2021 PCS FEES SCHEDULE

For New Families (Grades 3 and up):

	Annual Fee	Full Prepayment	Over 10 Months
F1	\$3,500.00	\$3,325.00	\$350.00
F2	\$5,940.00	\$5,643.00	\$594.00
F3 and up	\$7,860.00	\$7,467.00	\$786.00
Per Course (Gr. 10-12)	\$560.00	N/A	N/A

For New and Returning Families (with at least one child in Grades K-2):

	Annual Fee	Full Prepayment	Over 10 Months
K at Half-Time	\$1,771.00	\$1,682.00	\$177.10
F1	\$3,100.00	\$2,945.00	\$310.00
F2	\$5,300.00	\$5,035.00	\$530.00
F3 and up	\$7,000.00	\$6,650.00	\$700.00
Per Course (Gr. 10-12)	\$499.00	N/A	N/A

Bursary Application Forms are available at the office for families who may need tuition assistance. Please see the school office/principal for further information regarding tuition fees should you have children enrolled in Christian independent schools other than PCS.

K = Kindergarten
Kindergarten

F2 = 2 children in any grade level

F1 = 1 child in any grade including full time

F3 = 3 or more children in any grade level

1. Tuition Payment options:

- Full payment in advance - Discount of 5% applies only if paid by September 30th.
- Over 10 months - Divide total tuition by 10 equal payments (September – June)

For those making monthly payments, **tuition is due on the 1st of each month.** Payments may be made by post-dated cheques, e-transfers, or pre-authorized debit (PAD). PAD forms are available from the school office. Select one option on your **Financial Commitment Form.**

2. **Other Fees:**
- Activity Fee for K – 9 (1)(2) \$ 75.00 per every student
 - Activity Fee for 10 – 12 (1)(2) \$100.00 per every student
 - Graduation Fee (1) \$100.00 per graduate
 - Annual Re-enrolment Fee (3) \$150.00 per family
 - One time Non-refundable Application Fee \$100.00 per family
 - Volunteer Fee to be paid if family hours are not fulfilled \$500.00 per family
3. Fee payment arrangements must be made prior to the first day of school by completing a **Financial Commitment Form**. The school office will be open 9:00 am - 3:00 pm during the last two weeks before school begins.
4. The **CANADA REVENUE AGENCY** allows for a portion of your tuition to be received each year as the “**Religious Education**” portion of your tuition payments.

Notes:

- (1) The **Activity Fee** and **Graduation Fee** are set annually by the Finance Committee, and may be subject to change without notice depending on costs. *These fees are due by September 30th. A \$5.00 late charge will be added to each student per month for unpaid activity fees.*
- (2) The **Activity Fee** includes costs for swimming, skating, & most field trips. Costs for skiing and certain class trips are **not** included. *Activity Fees are a mandatory part of the educational program at PCS.*
- (3) The **Re-enrollment Fee** is non-refundable and will be deducted from September’s tuition amount payable.

A WORD ABOUT TUITION

Because government grants pay only a portion of the cost of educating your child in a group 1 independent school (50% of the per student funding amount of the local school district), it is necessary for such schools to raise additional funds to be able to pay the expenses of running a school. Occasionally, PCS receives gifts or donations from individuals or a church to help out. The majority of the additional funds must be covered through tuition fees.

The Penticton Christian School community consists of a variety of people, some of whom have been financially blessed by the Lord. Others in the school community are unemployed and have difficulty putting food on the table, let alone pay for tuition for their children. The Lord has said “of him to whom much has been given, much will be required.” The Board hopes that people the Lord has richly blessed will contribute more so that those who are suffering financial difficulty may also be able to send their children to this school.

PCS STUDENT ACTIVITY FEES

Penticton Christian School offers a fairly extensive program outside of the classroom. These extracurricular activities support the curriculum taught in the classrooms. PCS students are involved in field trips to various locations in the geographical area as they learn about the place in which they live. Teachers also select special presentations such as symphony concerts and dramas for students to attend as ways of enriching the schooling experience. The whole school participates in skating and swimming programs.

Rather than constantly approaching parents with requests for \$ 1.00 here or \$ 5.00 there, the school has established a per student activity fee intended to cover these additional expenses. You will notice this fee included in the financial obligation calculations.

The activity fee may be subject to change without notice, depending on costs.

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PENTICTON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

GUIDELINES RELATING TO FEES

Much of the planning required to run an effective school must be done on an annual basis. Staff is hired, programs are developed, and many other plans are created to be in place for the entire school year. In light of this, **by enrolling your child/ren at Penticton Christian School, you are committing to partner with us for the entire school year.** For families enrolling mid-year, you are committing to remain for the rest of the school year.

1. **Financial Commitment Forms** must be signed and received at the school office by **June 30th** (or before beginning school for new students). This form shows all fees that must be paid and includes available payment options.
2. **Fees are an obligated debt.** Should fees not be paid when required and agreed upon, the following procedures may be used to collect late fees:
 - After 1 week overdue - statement of overdue fees will be sent.
 - After 1 month overdue - reminder call from the bookkeeper will be made.
 - After 2 months overdue - contact by a member of the Finance Committee.
 - After 3 months overdue - parents/guardians requested to meet with the Board.
 - A request of withdrawal of the student/s may be made.
 - Outstanding accounts may be referred to a Collection Agency.
3. **A charge of \$25.00** will be added to your account **for each NSF item** (cheque, pre-authorized debit, etc.)
4. When a family voluntarily withdraws from the school for any reason, the school must receive either one calendar month's notice prior to withdrawal **or** a withdrawal charge equal to 10% of the total annual tuition.
5. Students will not be re-enrolled until **all** financial obligations from the previous year are met. Families with a balance owing on their accounts at June 30th will cause their students' names to be removed from the class lists for the coming year until their accounts are paid in full.
6. When a student is expelled, suspended, or asked to leave by the school administration, tuition for the balance of the year remains due to the school.
7. When a student leaves Penticton Christian School for any reason, including graduation, all unpaid accounts remain due and must be paid to the school.
8. **Activity fees** are non-refundable when a student withdraws part way through the year, as activity bookings are made based on the number of students at the beginning of the year.

9. As at September 1st of each year and each month thereafter, interest will be charged on overdue accounts (after being unpaid for 30 days or more from the payment due date) at the current prime interest rate being charged by Valley First Credit Union (VFCU), or at the rate of interest being charged to PCS by its financial institution(s), whichever is the lesser rate of interest from time to time.

Example:

Using the rates below, the rate to be charged on overdue accounts would be 3.0% or 4.5% if the prime was to exceed the 4.5%.

(Based on current rates as of April, 2019 – taken from VFCU's website:

Current rate to PCS on its long term mortgage with MB - 4%

Current personal loan rate at Valley First Credit Union – 6.450%

Current prime rate – 3.95%)

10. The school's **family rates (F2 and F3)** are applicable in the following situations: to families who have all their siblings enrolled at PCS *and* to those families who have siblings enrolled at PCS and other Christian independent schools. The following calculations apply:
 - a. those families with two siblings enrolled in Christian independent schools, but with only one sibling at PCS will pay half of the current F2 fee.
 - b. for those families with three or more siblings enrolled in Christian independent schools, but not having all those siblings at PCS the formula will be: (current F3 fee) / (number of siblings enrolled in Christian independent schools) x (number of siblings enrolled at PCS) = tuition fee to be paid to PCS.
11. A discount of 5% will apply to **tuition fees** only if paid in full by September 30 of each year. Should a family choose to withdraw from the school after prepaying for the full year, the school will retain the full amount of tuition payable for the number of full/partial months already attended.
12. There will be a \$10.00 charge to former students who request their transcript of grades. PCS will supply them with two paper copies.

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