Westerville City Schools

Student Fee Schedule

2025-2026 School Year

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6152 - **STUDENT FEES, FINES, AND CHARGES**

The Board of Education will provide the necessary textbooks and/or electronic textbooks required by the course of study free of charge for its students. The Board may charge fees for any additional materials used in the course of instruction. The Board may furnish these additional materials free of charge to students determined to have a serious financial need. Any waiver of fees shall be made pursuant to Policy 6152.01.

The Board will not charge a fee to a student who is eligible for free lunch under the National School Lunch Act and the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 for any materials needed to enable the student to participate in a course of instruction. However, the Board may charge a fee for materials needed for a student to participate in extracurricular activities or student enrichment programs or tolls, equipment, and materials that are necessary for workforce-readiness career-technical education training program that may be retained by the students after completion of the course.

School fees shall be paid in advance for each school term at the time of initial registration or initial enrollment.

The Board of Education will review all student fees, fines, and charges annually.

Fees

For the purposes of this policy, "school fees" or "fees" means any monetary charge collected by the District from a student or the parent(s) or guardian of a student as a prerequisite for the student's participation in any curricular or extracurricular program of the District.

A charge shall not exceed the combined cost of the outside service provided or material used, freight and/or handling charges, and nominal add-on for loss. Money received from resale of such material, if any, shall be returned to the Treasurer with an accurate accounting of all transactions.

If a family qualifies for the Federal Free & Reduced Price School Meal Program, then school fees are adjusted to also be free or fifty percent (50%) reduced.

Fines

When school property, equipment, or supplies are damaged, lost, or taken by a student, a fine will be assessed. The fine will be reasonable, seeking only to compensate the school for the expense or loss incurred.

The late return of borrowed books or materials from the school libraries will be subject to appropriate fines.

Any fees, fines, and/or other charges collected by members of the staff that total more than $1,000.00 or that cannot be safeguarded shall be turned in to the Treasurer within one (1) business day after collection. Any fees, fines, and/or charges collected by members of the staff that total less than $1,000.00 and that can be safeguarded shall be turned in to the Treasurer within three (3) business days after collection. A place such as the building safe or a locked file cabinet shall be used for

securing these monies until they are deposited with the Treasurer. At no time shall any staff member place public monies in his/her own banking accounts or commingle public monies with their own.

Except in cases of extenuating circumstances, i.e., the inability to access the secure place in the building, public monies should not be taken to a person's place of residence.

In accordance with R.C. 3313.642, failure to pay fees and fines may result in the withholding of grades, credit, and participation in graduation exercises. In the event the above course of action does not result in the fee being collected, the Board authorizes the Treasurer to take the student and/or his/her parents to Small Claims Court for collection. Under no circumstances will the Board withhold the grades, credits, official transcripts, diploma, IEPs, or Section 504 Plans of a student for nonpayment of fees for materials used in the course of instruction, if a complaint has been filed at any time in a juvenile court alleging that the student is an abused, neglected, or dependent child, or if the student has been adjudicated an abused, neglected, or dependent child. Further, the Board will transfer immediately the grades, credits, official transcripts, IEPs, or Section 504 Plans of a student upon the receipt of either another district's or schools' request for those records pursuant to R.C. 3313.672, or a juvenile judge's order under R.C. 2151.272. The Superintendent may request a copy of any order regarding a child's custody or placement issued pursuant to a complaint filed under R.C. 2151.27. The Board, however, will not withhold records required to be transferred pursuant to this paragraph pending receipt of a copy of the order.

For convenience to families, the Board of Education authorizes the treasurer to enter into an agreement with one or more credit card/online payment processing vendors to facilitate online payment of fees, fines and charges. Parents/guardians or students may elect but are not required to make payments online. Vendors will comply with all Board policies and procedures related to the confidentiality and security of information transmitted electronically. Payees will be notified of any processing or other nominal fees that may be charged for use of an online payment system before the transaction is completed.

Annually the District will report to the Ohio Department of Education the number of students for whom it sent transcripts pursuant to R.C. 3313.642(D), and the total amount of unpaid fees lost due to compliance with that provision.

Nothing in this policy restricts the right of access of a parent or student to school records or to receive copies of such records, as required by Federal and State laws.

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Legal
R.C. 2151.272, 3313.642, 3329.06, 9.38
National School Lunch Act, 60 Stat. 230 (1946), 42 U.S.C. 1751 (as amended)
Child Nutrition Act of 1966, 80 Stat. 885, 42 U.S.C. 1771

ELEMENTARY (GRADES PRE K- 5) FEE SCHEDULE
2025-2026

The general instructional materials fee for grades Pre-K-5 as indicated for each grade level in the following table covers the cost of consumable items in the following categories:

1. Paper and student record keeping folders
2. Art supplies (clay, paper, paste, paint, etc.)
3. Science supplies
4. Math supplies (straws, yarn, dry erase markers, graph paper, etc.)
5. Printer cartridges and other technology-related consumable supplies

All Day Kindergarten (ADK) tuition is $3,000.00 per year or $300.00 per month for 10 months. (Aug – May)

Tuition Assistance is available through an application process. For qualifying families, tuition will be adjusted based on gross income per the below chart.

2025-2026 Annual Income Guidelines (based on GROSS income) Annual Income Conversion: Monthly x 12, Every 2 Weeks x 26, Twice a Month x 24 or Weekly x 52			
	Annual ADK Tuition		
Household Size	**$0/year**	**$400/year**	**$1,500/year**
2	**$26,580**	**$37,824**	**$49,056**
3	**$33,576**	**$47,772**	**$61,968**
4	**$40,560**	**$57,720**	**$74,880**
5	**$47,556**	**$67,680**	**$87,792**
6	**$54,552**	**$77,728**	**$100,704**
For each additional family member	**$6,996**	**$9,948**	**$12,912**

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (GRADES PREK-5) FEE SCHEDULE
2025-2026

Grade	General Instructional Materials Fee
Preschool	$18.50
Kindergarten	$22.00
Grades 1- 5	$40.00

MIDDLE SCHOOL (GRADES 6-8) FEE SCHEDULE

2025-2026

A. The general instructional materials fee for grades 6-8 is $40.00. The general instructional materials fee includes consumable items in the following categories:

   a. Copy paper, construction paper, cardstock, and student portfolio folders

   b. Science and Social Studies consumable materials (e.g., specimens, chemicals, lab supplies, field supplies)

   c. Markers, colored pencils, erasers, and other general consumable materials.

   d. Printer cartridges, toner, lamination film, and other technology-related consumable supplies

B. Extracurricular fees are $90.00 for the first sport, $60.00 for the second sport, and $0.00 for the third sport.

C. There is a family cap of $360.00 for extracurricular fees. For the purpose of this guideline, the Westerville City School District determines a family to be all students officially residing in the same household, and siblings for reasons including but not limited to: death of guardian(s), divorce, etc., are residing in separate households within the Westerville City School District's attendance boundaries. *Please note that in addition to the required extracurricular fees that are assessed by Westerville City Schools, students may be asked to cover additional costs associated with optional activities and experiences that are not assessed by Westerville City Schools and <u>do not</u> count towards the family cap for extracurricular fees.*

D. Course specific fees are listed below:

Department	Course(s)	Cost
Mathematics	Math 6 Math 7 Accelerated Math 7/8 Math 8	A scientific calculator is required. The district primarily uses Texas Instruments (TI) calculators, and the recommended model is the TI-34 MultiView. Students may use the same scientific calculator for all middle school mathematics courses.
	Algebra 1 Honors Geometry	All high school level mathematics courses require a graphing calculator. The district primarily uses Texas Instruments (TI) calculators. Please check with the teacher for the model that will work best for the course selected. The two calculators most likely to be used are the TI-Nspire CX Graphing Calculator or the TI-84 Plus CE Graphing Calculator. Students may use the same graphing calculator for all high school mathematics courses, college entrance exams, and college coursework.

HIGH SCHOOL (GRADES 9-12) FEE SCHEDULE

2025-2026

A. The general instructional materials fee is $40.00 for all students. There may be other course specific fees for consumable materials. The general instructional materials fee includes consumable materials in the following categories:

   a. Copy paper, construction paper, cardstock, and student portfolio folders

   b. Markers, colored pencils, erasers, and other general consumable materials.

   c. Printer cartridges, toner, lamination film, and other technology-related consumable supplies

B. Class Dues: To assist with class dues/school activities, senior pictures for the yearbook, and graduation ceremony expenses, an annual class dues/school activity fee will be assessed in the amount of $5.00 per student per year.

C. The replacement fee for a second photo identification card will be $5.00.

D. A school campus parking permit is $20.00 per student per semester or $40.00 per student per year.

E. Assessment Fees

   a. Advanced Placement - Fee is established by the College Board

      - Test fee: approximately −$98.00 each

   b. International Baccalaureate - Fee is established by the International Baccalaureate Org.

      - Test fee: approximately $119.00 per test

F. Extracurricular fees are $180.00 for the first sport, $90.00 for the second sport, and $0.00 for the third sport.

G. There is a family cap of $360.00 for extracurricular fees. For the purpose of this guideline, the Westerville City School District determines a family to be all students officially residing in the same household, and siblings for reasons including but not limited to: death of guardian(s), divorce, etc., are residing in separate households within the Westerville City School District's attendance boundaries. *Please note that in addition to the required extracurricular fees that are assessed by Westerville City Schools, students may be asked to cover additional costs associated with optional activities and experiences that are not assessed by Westerville City Schools and <u>do not</u> count towards the family cap for extracurricular fees.*

H. Course specific fees are listed below:

Mathematics	All Mathematics Classes	All high school level mathematics courses require a graphing calculator. The district primarily uses Texas Instruments (TI) calculators. Please check with the teacher for the model that will work best for the course selected. The two calculators most likely to be used are the TI-Nspire CX Graphing Calculator or the TI-84 Plus CE Graphing Calculator. Students may use the same graphing calculator for all high school mathematics and science courses, college entrance exams, and college coursework.
Science	AP Chemistry AP Physics C	AP Chemistry and AP Physics C require a graphing calculator. The district primarily uses Texas Instruments (TI) calculators. Please check with the teacher for the model that will work best for the course selected. The two calculators most likely to be used are the TI-Nspire CX Graphing Calculator or the TI-84 Plus CE Graphing Calculator. Students may use the same graphing calculator for all high school science and mathematics courses, college entrance exams, and college coursework.

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2025-2026 REFUND SCHEDULE

The Westerville City Schools will refund only those monies collected for consumable materials to students and/or parents. Refunds will be processed through the Treasurer's Office with a Refund Voucher.

Refunds to students withdrawing from school are as follows:

Before the end of the FIRST NINE-WEEKS PERIOD

Grade	Amount
Preschool	$13.88
Kindergarten	$16.50
Grades 1-5	$30.00
Grades 6-8	$30.00
Grades 9-12	$30.00

Before the end of the SECOND NINE-WEEKS PERIOD

Grade	Amount
Preschool	$9.25
Kindergarten	$11.00
Grades 1-5	$20.00
Grades 6-8	$20.00
Grades 9-12	$20.00

Before the end of the THIRD NINE-WEEKS PERIOD

Grade	Amount
Preschool	$4.63
Kindergarten	$5.50
Grades 1-5	$10.00
Grades 6-8	$10.00
Grades 9-12	$10.00

There will be no refunds to students withdrawing after the onset of the fourth nine-week period.

Students who paid fees will be refunded at the following rates:

First nine weeks:	75% of the fee
Second nine weeks:	50% of the fee
Third nine weeks:	25% of the fee

Prorating of Fees

The District will prorate fees for students who start after the beginning of the year using the following parameters:

- If the student starts during the 1st 9 weeks, 100% of the fees will be charged.
- If the student starts during the 2nd 9 weeks: 75% of the fees will be charged.
- If the student starts during the 3rd 9 weeks: 50% of the fees will be charged.
- If the student starts during the 4th 9 weeks: 25% of the fees will be charged.