INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 196
Rosemount-Apple Valley-Eagan, Minnesota
Educating, developing, and inspiring our students for lifelong success.

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Title **Student Fees and Fines**

1. **Definition** – Student fees may include, but are not limited to, fees for cocurricular activities, band instrument rental, behind-the-wheel driver education, student parking, early entrance testing, graduation ceremonies, fee-for-service transportation, early childhood and extended- time programs and the electronic device protection plan.

2. **Schools may require payment of fees by students for:**

   2.1 Supplemental workbooks that are optional for the students to use;

   2.2 Field trips considered supplemental to the educational program, and

   2.3 Additional or more costly materials used for a project when the resultant product is in excess of minimum requirements and, at the student's option, becomes the personal property of the student.

      2.3.1 Fees *should be charged* for the cost of materials when a student chooses to do something above and beyond what is required and approved by the teacher, i.e., cooking steak rather than hamburger, building a bookcase with mahogany rather than pine or conducting an additional science experiment that is not required to complete the course.

      2.3.2 Fees *should not be charged* if the materials are required and/or chosen by a teacher, i.e., a teacher decides a food lab class will use steak rather than hamburger, an industrial arts teacher selects a different construction material for a student or a teacher requires a student to perform a science experiment using specialized materials.

   2.4 Other fees authorized by law.

3. **Cocurricular Activities Fees**

   3.1 General Rules for Cocurricular Fees

      3.1.1 Cocurricular fees will be waived for students who qualify for educational benefits and for international exchange students.

      3.1.2 Fees are to be paid at the beginning of each activity season. If a student quits an activity within seven calendar days, the fee will be refunded. If a student switches sports and there is a difference in fees, the difference will be refunded or the student will be asked to pay the difference.

   3.2 Policy 604, Cocurricular Student Activities, defines cocurricular activities as district- sponsored and directed athletic, fine arts and academic activities for which the student receives no credit toward graduation, which are designed to provide opportunities for students to improve skills through group or individual activities at school and public events.

      3.2.1 Academic activities include Academic Quiz Bowl, Chess, Knowledge Bowl, Math Team, Science Olympiad, Mock Trial, Robotics and Rocket Team.

      3.2.2 Fine Arts activities include debate, speech, musical reviews, one-act plays, vocal ensembles, instrumental ensembles, dance shows, plays, and/or madrigals.

   3.3 Middle school students (grades 6-8) - No middle school student will be charged more than **$385** per year to participate in cocurricular activities.

      3.3.1 Athletics – Students will be charged **$110** per sport.

      3.3.2 Fine Arts and Academics – Students will be charged **$44** per activity.

      3.3.3 Intramurals and athletic training programs – Fees will range from **$17-$165** per activity based upon the amount of supervision required and the cost of supplies and facilities.

      3.3.4 No fees will be charged for pit orchestra, technical crews and certain other activities.

   3.4 High School Students (grades 9-12) – No high school student will be charged more than

$385 per year to participate in cocurricular activities.

3.4.1 Students in grade 9 and middle school students participating in a high school sport will be charged:

$149 per sport, except Alpine Skiing for which the cost is as described in paragraph 3.4.2.4;

$55 per academic activity, and

$66 per fine arts activity.

3.4.2 Students in grades 10, 11 and 12 will be charged:

3.4.2.1 **$165** per sport for cross country, cheerleading, danceline, Nordic skiing and tennis;

3.4.2.2 **$176** per sport for baseball, basketball, figure skating, golf, gymnastics, lacrosse, soccer, softball, swim and dive, track, volleyball, and wrestling;

3.4.2.3 **$204** per sport for football and hockey, and

3.4.2.4 **$75** plus the cost of the lift ticket for Alpine Skiing, **$204** of which applies to the fee cap.

3.4.3 Students in grades 10, 11 and 12 who participate in academic activities will be charged **$55** per activity.

3.4.4 Students in grades 10, 11 and 12 who participate in fine arts activities will be charged **$88** per activity.

3.4.5 No fees will be charged for primarily service activities or extended classroom activities such as literary magazines, newspaper, yearbook, honor societies, clubs, radio, student council, class officers, tech theater, pit orchestra and TV tech crew. Fees charged for membership in national organizations such as National Honor Society are considered registration fees and will not be included in the $385 fee cap.

3.4.6 Fees for high school intramural activities and athletic training programs will range from **$17-$165** per activity based upon the amount of supervision required and the cost of supplies and facilities.

3.5 Adaptive Athletics (middle school and high school students) – Students in all grade levels will be charged **$110** per sport.

4. **Band Instrument Fees**

4.1 Students in grades 5-6 will be charged **$100** per year for the use of school-owned band instruments other than percussion. Students who qualify for reduced-price school meals will be charged **$20** per year.

4.2 Students in grades 6-8 will be charged **$45** per year for the use of school-owned percussion instruments. Students who qualify for reduced-price school meals will be charged **$9** per year.

4.3 Students in grades 7-12 will be charged **$100** per year for the use of school-owned instruments other than percussion. Students who qualify for reduced-price school meals will be charged **$20** per year.

4.4 Students in grades 9-12 will be charged **$50** per year for the use of school-owned percussion instruments. Students who qualify for reduced-price school meals will be charged **$10** per year.

4.5 Students in grades 9-12 will be charged **$50** per year for the use of school-owned percussion instruments *that will remain at the school.* Students who qualify for reduced- price school meals will be charged **$10** per year.

4.6 Students in grades 5-12 who qualify for reduced-price school meals are eligible to participate in the Band For All program and use a school-owned used musical horn or percussion instrument for a one-time, non-recurring rental fee of **$20**.

5. **Driver Education Fees** – Students will be charged **$400** for participation in behind-the-wheel driver education training. Fees for the behind-the-wheel driver education program will be sufficient to result in a financially self-sustaining program.

6. **Student Parking Fees and Fines**

6.1 High school students will be charged **$80** per student per trimester (**$60** per quarter), or **$5** per day, for parking in the high school parking lot if there is space available.

6.2 High school students may be fined up to **$20** per violation for parking lot violations on school property.

6.3 High school students will be charged $10 for a replacement parking permit if their permit is lost or stolen.

7. **Early Entrance Testing Fee** – Eligible students will be charged **$200** for participation in early entrance to kindergarten testing. The fee must be submitted with District Procedure 501.2.2P, Request for Consideration for Early Entrance to Kindergarten.

8. **Graduation Ceremony Fee** – Students who participate in a graduation ceremony will be charged **$50** to defray the costs of security, additional staff support, site preparation, equipment rental, printing and postage.

9. **Fee-For-Service Transportation** – Students ineligible for transportation (Policy 707, Student Transportation) who choose the fee-for-service transportation option will pay a **$300** annual fee for bus service to their attendance area school. Families with two or more children will pay a maximum of **$600** annually. Students who qualify for reduced-price school meals will pay a **$150** annual fee (**$300** annual family cap); students who qualify for educational benefits will pay a **$75** annual fee (**$150** annual family cap). Families that register early (between June 1 and July 31) will receive a discounted rate.

10. **Fees for Early Childhood Programs** – Minnesota law requires that early childhood programs establish a sliding fee scale (see below) but the fee shall be waived for participants unable to pay.

2026-27 Connections Preschool Fee Schedule

Select family size and annual income range to determine tuition fee. Salary ranges are subject to change based on poverty guidelines established by the state government. Tuition will be based on state salary ranges in effect when the tuition is assessed.

Annual Income Ranges

Family size	Full Tuition	Tuition Assistance A	Tuition Assistance B	Free Tuition Assistance
2	$61,210+	$52,926-$61,209	$46,023-$52,925	$0-$46,022
3	$75,612+	$65,379-$75,611	$56,851-$65,378	$0-$56,850
4	$90,014+	$77,832-$90,013	$67,680-$77,831	$0-$67,679
5	$104,417+	$90,285-$104,416	$78,509-$90,284	$0-$78,508
6	$118,818+	$102,737-$118,817	$89,337-$102,736	$0-$89,336
7	$121,519+	$105,073-$121,518	$91,368-$105,072	$0-$91,367
8	$124,219+	$107,408-$124,218	$93,398-$107,407	$0-$93,397
9	$126,919+	$109,742-$126,918	$95,428-$109,741	$0-$95,427
For each add'l family member, add:	$9,953	$9,953	$9,953	$9,953

Course description	Monthly tuition per three-year-old child			
2 day/week – 2 hours/day	$150	$80	$35	$0
Preschool Discovery 2 days/week – 2.5 hours/day *$ 70/month for Sibling Care	$185	$95	$40	$0

3 days/week – 2 hours/day	$225	$115	$50	$0
Course description		Monthly tuition per four-year-old child		
3 days/week – 2.5 hours/day	$255	$130	$55	$0
4 days/week – 2.5 hours/day	$310	$155	$65	$0
5 days/week – 2.5 hours/day	$350	$175	$75	$0
5 days/week – 6.5 hours/day	$850	$425	$170	$0
BEFORE CARE 5 days/week – 1.5 hours/day (ONLY available for the Full Day classes at Echo Park, Northview, Parkview and Oak Ridge)	$285	$145	$60	$0
AFTER CARE 1 day/week – 3 hours 50 mins (ONLY available for the Full Day classes at Echo Park, Northview, Parkview and Oak Ridge)	$160	$85	$40	$0

11. **Extended-Time Program Fees** – Students not currently enrolled in a District 196 school may pay to participate in extended-time programs. Hourly rates are as follows: elementary school **$4.88/hr**., middle school **$4.47/hr**., and high school **$6.32/hr**.

12. **Electronic Device Protection Plan** – Students receiving a district-owned electronic device for use during the school year have the option to purchase the Protection Plan for damage or theft at a cost of **$20/year**. Students who qualify for educational benefits are not assessed a fee for the Protection Plan upon registration for the plan. Subsequent incidents of accidental damage to the covered device will cost $40 each. Without the Protection Plan coverage, the cost of repairs or replacement is the responsibility of the student's parents/guardians or adult student.

References:
- Minnesota Administrative Rule 3500.1050, Definitions for Pupil Fees
- Minnesota Statutes 123B.34-39, Minnesota Public School Fee Law