

STUDENT FEES, FINES, AND CHARGES

The School Board charges student fees and takes action to recover funds for the loss of or damage to School Board property in accordance with state and federal law. No fee may be charged unless it has been approved by the School Board.

The School Board provides, free of charge, such textbooks and instructional materials as are required for courses of instruction for each student attending public schools. Consumable materials such as workbooks, writing books, and drawing books may be purchased by the School Board and either provided to students at no cost or sold to students at a retail price not to exceed seven percent added to the publisher's price.. If sold, the School Board ensures that workbooks, writing books, and drawing books are furnished to students who are unable to afford them at a reduced price or free of charge. Fees are not charged to students for instructional material, textbooks, or other materials used by a School Board employee that are not directly used by a public school student.

Regulation JN-R - Regulations Tuition Course and Food Service Fees lists the fees charged by Alexandria City Public Schools.

The consequences for nonpayment of fees may include exclusion from the activity related to the fee.

No student's report card, diploma, or class schedule is withheld because of nonpayment of fees or charges. No student is suspended or expelled for nonpayment of fees or charges.

The School Board upon the recommendation of the Superintendent may take action against a student or student's parent/guardian for any actual loss, breakage, or destruction of or failure to return property owned by or under the control of the School Board, caused or committed by such student in pursuit of the student's studies. Such action may include restorative approaches, seeking reimbursement from a student or student's parent/guardian for any such loss, breakage, destruction of or failure to return school property.

Reduced Fees

Fees are reduced or waived for economically disadvantaged students and students whose families are undergoing economic hardships and are financially unable to pay them, including, but not limited to, families receiving unemployment benefits or public assistance, including Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Supplemental Security Income (SSI), or Medicaid; foster families caring for children in foster care; and families that are experiencing homelessness.

Each time a fee is charged, notice will be given that a fee waiver may be requested. The notice will include directions as to how to apply for a waiver.

This policy will be provided to parents/guardians annually and posted on the Division's website.

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50 Amended: June 12, 2008
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52 Amended: July 1, 2010
53 Amended: May 26, 2016
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55 Legal Refs.: Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, §§8.01- 43, 22.1-6,
56 22.1-243, 22.1-280.4
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58 Virginia Administrative Code, §8 VAC 20-720-80
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60 Cross Refs.: ECAB Vandalism
61 IIA Instructional Materials
62 JN-R Regulations: Tuition, Course and Food Service Fees

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