

Fee Assessment Board Information

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The Jewish Education Foundation is extending the Pilot of its Fee Assessment Board (**FAB**) for 12 months to December 2024. The FAB will assess the fees to be paid by parents who wish to transfer their child from a government or non-Jewish school to a participating school in 2024 or 2025 but cannot afford to pay the full fee.

The school will charge you the fee annually assessed by the FAB, and the school will forgo the balance of the fees.

Applicants will be required to pay school levies and other associated charges, such as security levy, bus fee, books, uniforms, laptops, camps, and excursions.

The FAB can assess the fees of children commencing in Prep if you don't have older children attending a Jewish school or independent school.

If you have a child in both a Jewish school, and in a government school, you can not apply to the FAB for a fee assessment for the child in a government school, and are encouraged to approach the school directly.

The participating schools are Bialik College, King David School, Leibler Yavneh College, Mount Scopus Memorial College, Sholem Aleichem College and Yeshivah Beth Rivkah Colleges.

Participating Schools	2024 Year Levels Available	2025 Year Levels Available
	Prep	Prep
Beth Rivkah Ladies	Year 1	Year 1
College	Year 2	Year 2
	Year 3	Year 3
	Year 4	Year 4
	Year 5	Year 5
	Year 6	Year 6
	Year 7	Year 7
	Year 8	Year 8
	Year 9	Year 9
	Year 10	Year 10

Each school has nominated year levels they have available to take students.

	Prep	Prep
Bialik College	Year 1	Year 1
	Year 2	Year 2
	Year 3	Year 3
	Year 4	Year 4
	Year 9	Year 5
		Year 6
		Year 8
	Prep (females)	Year 1 (females)
King David School	Year 1 (females)	Year 2 (females)
0	Year 2 (females)	Year 3 (females and
	and males)	males)
	Year 3 (females)	Year 4 (females)
	Year 4 (females)	Year 5 (females)
	Year 5 (females)	Year 6 (females)
	Year 7 (females) Year 8 (females)	Year 9 (females)
		Year 10 (females and
	Year 9 (females and males)	males)
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	Year 1	Prep
Leibler Yavneh College	Year 3	Year 2
	Year 4	Year 4
	Year 5	Year 5
	Year 6	Year 6
	Year 7	Year 7
	Year 8	Year 8
	Year 9	Year 9
	Year 10	Year 10
	Prep	Prep
Mount Scopus Memorial	Year 1	Year 1
College	Year 2	Year 2
	Year 3	Year 4
	Year 4	Year 5
	Year 5	Year 6
	Year 6	Year 7 (only for
	Year 7	multiple siblings)
	Year 10	Year 8
		Year 11
	Prep	Prep
Sholem Aleichem College	Year 1	Year 1
Sholem Aleichem College		
	Year 2	Year 2
	Year 3	Year 3
	Year 4	Year 4
	Year 5	Year 5
	Prep	Prep
Yeshivah College	Year 1	Year 1

	Year 2	Year 2	
Yeshivah College cont.	Year 3	Year 3	
	Year 4	Year 4	
	Year 5	Year 5	
	Year 6	Year 6	
	Year 7	Year 7	
	Year 8	Year 8	
	Year 9	Year 9	
	Year 10	Year 10	

Application process

- If your child would like to attend a Jewish school, you are invited to contact the Secretariat, Nechama Bendet, on 0425 770 002 or email her on <u>admin@jewisheducationfoundation.com</u> to discuss your application. You will be provided with an indication of your fee assessment over the phone after providing relevant indicative financial information.
- 2. If you decide to proceed, we will check if a place is available at the school of your choice. Places offered by the schools are limited and, if oversubscribed, not all applicants will be offered a place. If there is no place at the school of our choice, you will be offered an alternative school.
- 3. If a place is available at a school of your choice, we will email you an Application Form. The application process is online and is quite straightforward. You will be required to provide supporting financial documentation such as tax returns, pay a nonrefundable application fee of \$200 and confirm the information contained in your Application Form by completing a statutory declaration. All information is kept confidential.
- 4. Once your assessment is finalised, you approach the school and follow the school's normal processes for school admission. Please note that acceptance of enrolment is at the discretion of the school.
- 5. If your child is enrolled in a participating school, your child will be **entitled to remain at that school until the completion of their schooling for the annual fee assessed by the FAB**, provided all the school's normal terms and conditions for ongoing enrolment are satisfied.

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- 6. If you apply to Sholem Aleichem College, you will be entitled to transfer to another Jewish school for High School, subject to availability, and will continue to be assessed by the FAB until the completion of Year 12.
- 7. The fee payable for each year will be assessed by the FAB annually, until your child graduates, to take into account any changes in circumstances.
- 8. Parents who have already applied to a participating Jewish school for a fee assessment for 2024 or 2025 will not be eligible to apply to the FAB. Similarly, if you apply to the FAB for a fee assessment, you cannot also apply directly to a participating school for a fee discount for 2024 or 2025 unless your child was not allocated a place in the school of their choice.

2024 Application rounds

In 2024 there will be 5 assessment rounds:

- 4-12 February,
- 1-10 April,
- 2-10 June,
- 4-12 August,
- 6-14 October

Please note that year level availability may change during the 2024 year if available places are taken up in assessment rounds.

How your fee will be assessed

The fee assessment will be based on your income, assets, liabilities, and family situation. You will not be asked to provide details of your personal/domestic expenditure. Instead, an estimate will be made of living costs based on averages for households in Victoria, taking into account your family size, housing situation and other relevant factors. The FAB may also take into account any exceptional circumstances you are experiencing.

Further information

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Or contact Nechama Bendet admin@jewisheducationfoundation.com

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