

Tuition & Fees

1. NEW STUDENT ENTRANCE FEE (If Applicable)

A *non-refundable* \$350 New Student Entrance Fee is owed for each newly admitted student after the student has received their Offer of Admission. Any Entrance Fees paid before receiving an Offer of Admission will be returned, less a \$10 administrative fee, and will not be credited to your account or applied to future fees owing.

2. CTRB FEES

A *non-refundable* **Consolidated Technology, Resource & Bus Fee** is payable upon registration for each student as follows:

Kindergarten to Grade 3: \$550

Grades 4 to 7: \$600

Grades 8 to 12: \$750

CTRB Fees are used for purchases such as student technology, robotics equipment, garden supplies, supplementary books & computer programs, in-house speakers and events, and other incidentals designed to enrich and enhance our school programs. The K-3 CTRB Fee also includes all student school supplies.

3. TUITION FEES

Full tuition fees for the 2022-2023 school year are owed for all students as follows:

Kindergarten to Grade 3: \$7,710

Grades 4 to 7: \$7,860

Grades 8 to 12: \$7,990

Family Discount

Families with more than one student enrolled receive a per-family discount as follows:

2 students enrolled: -\$2,000

3 students enrolled: -\$3,500

4+ students enrolled: -\$1,200 per student

**Note: To be eligible, students must have a shared parent or legal guardian i.e. cousins are not eligible.*

B.C. Provincial Government Funding

The above tuition fees are dependent on the school receiving a provincial per student operating grant. To qualify for this grant, at least one of a student's legal guardians must be ordinarily resident in British Columbia and either be a Canadian citizen, permanent resident, or otherwise lawfully admitted to Canada. In addition, students with extended absences from school may not be eligible for the full provincial grant. If a student does not qualify for this grant, either in full or in part, the parents/guardians of the non-qualifying student will be responsible for paying the full amount of the grant lost.

4. PAD PROCESSING FEE (Removed)

As Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD) is our preferred method of payment, the PAD Processing Fee has been removed.

5. NSF FEES (If Applicable)

There is a \$50 administrative charge applied to all payments returned by the bank for Non-Sufficient Funds (NSF). If a second payment is returned, the \$50 charge will be applied and payment of the total remaining tuition fees in full may be required. Please make sure to notify the Finance Committee in advance if you will be unable to make a payment.

6. CANCELLATION FEE (If Applicable)

If a student withdraws or is asked to leave for any reason prior to September 30th, 2022, the following Cancellation Fee will be deducted from the amount of tuition fees that are eligible to be refunded:

(a) Cancellation fee for withdrawal by August 31st, 2022: \$3,500

(b) Cancellation fee for withdrawal in September 2022: \$4,000

No refunds will be issued after September 30th, 2022. Entrance Fees, CTRB Fees, and NSF Fees are not refundable.

7. OVERDUE ACCOUNTS (If Applicable)

Interest will begin to accrue on accounts more than 30 days overdue at a rate of 1.5% per month.

Tuition Assistance

We believe that financial considerations should not determine who is able to attend our school. If you wish to request financial accommodation, please send a confidential email to accommodation@diamondschool.ca, briefly explaining your family's situation and specifying the accommodation you request. You will then be directed to complete an accommodation application via Apple Financial Services. All requests for financial accommodation will be kept strictly confidential. For further information about tuition assistance, please contact the school office.

Additional Costs

1. UNIFORM DRESS CODE

Students are required to wear uniform dress code as set out in the Uniform Dress Code policy available in June of each year. Certain clothing items must be purchased through the school's uniform supplier, such as gym strip, sweaters, kilts and jumpers. Other items may be purchased from our uniform supplier or may be purchased from your retailer of choice.

2. GRADE 7-12 PERSONAL COMPUTERS

Students in Grades 7 through 12 must have a Wi-Fi-enabled laptop or netbook for use at school.

3. BASIC SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Students in grades 4 through 12 are responsible for purchasing and supplying personal basic school supplies as outlined in the grade-specific School Supply Lists available in June of each year.

4. OTHER COSTS

Other additional costs will apply throughout the school year. These costs are most often for services, resources, and equipment that are optional or not applicable to all students. Examples include fees for optional field trip admissions, instrument rentals, special lunches, grade 12 graduation, and co-curricular programs.

Payment Methods

1. Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD) (Preferred Method)

To pay via PAD, you must complete the PAD form on pages 13-14 below. You will also be required to provide a void cheque for the bank account you wish to use. PAD withdrawals are made on certain dates only, as specified in the PAD form. If you miss a PAD withdrawal date, you are responsible for paying via one of the other payment methods.

2. INTERAC e-Transfer

Payments may be made by INTERAC e-Transfer sent to ds.accounts@fves.bc.ca directly from your bank account. In order for the school to receive your payment and for your account to be credited, you must use the secure code provided on your invoice and follow all other instructions as stated in your invoice.

3. Cheque, Bank Draft, or Certified Cheque

Payments may be made by cheque, bank draft, or certified cheque, payable to *Fraser Valley School* and delivered to the school office. You must follow all instructions set out in your invoice in order for your account to be credited.

When to Pay

1. Registration Invoice (CTRB Fees + New Student Entrance Fees)

Upon acceptance of your student's registration application, a **Registration Invoice** will be emailed to you. The Registration Invoice will require you to pay the CTRB Fees and any New Student Entrance Fees (if applicable) via payment methods 2 or 3 in order to accept your student's admission to Diamond School for the 2022-2023 school year.

2. Tuition Invoice (Tuition Fees)

Once your student has been registered, a **Tuition Invoice** will be emailed to you.

Full Fees (Default Option): Tuition Fees in full are due by Tuesday, March 31st, 2022 or on the due date specified on your Tuition Invoice if the student is accepted after March 31st. If you do not select your preferred payment option in your student's registration form, you will by default be required to pay fees in full.

5-Payment Option: Tuition Fees may be paid in five payments made via pre-authorized debit. In this option, five equal payments will be withdrawn from your bank on March 31st, May 16th, July 15th, September 15th, and November 15th.

Late Registration: If you register after the regular registration cycle is complete, you may opt to pay your tuition in full or in proportional payments paid via PAD in line with the PAD dates set in the 5-Payment Option. For example, if you register on June 1st, the March and May PADs will already be passed, so your tuition may be divided into four payments, with the first 1/4 payment due as part of your Registration Invoice and 1/4 of your total tuition paid by PAD on each of July 15th, September 15th, and November 15th. For admission after September 31st, your tuition and fees will be based on a pro-rated annual tuition fee according to the student's start date.