



WAIMEA COLLEGE

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT FEE SCHEDULE 2026

Date Range: Tuition and other school related costs

This Fee Schedule applies to all students beginning their period of study at Waimea College between Term 1 (January), 2026 and the end of Term 4 (December), 2026. The Fee Schedule is valid for a maximum of four terms.

Date Range: Homestay Fees

Homestay Fees are effective from the beginning of each year.

Compulsory Fees (based on a full year)	\$NZD
Tuition Fees The full-year tuition fee includes all tuition costs (as detailed in the Explanation of Fees), administration expenses, bank charges and all New Zealand taxes (including the international student levy and GST).	\$19,500
Accommodation Fees The Homestay Fee is \$340 per week in 2026. The annual fee is based on 46 weeks of accommodation and will be adjusted based on the actual amount of time the student is enrolled at Waimea College. Any unused homestay fees will be refunded at the completion of the student's time in New Zealand. Please note that additional fees may apply where a student has special dietary requirements.	\$15,640
Uniform Short term students (intending to stay less than one year) can hire basic uniform items (shorts, skirt, and jersey). Students are required to pay a \$200 security bond for their uniform items, which will be refunded when the uniform is returned in good condition. Additional personal uniform items such as shirt, shoes, socks, tights, and PE gear are not included. Long term students are recommended to purchase their own school uniform.	\$200 (bond only) OR \$480 (full purchase)
MAXIMUM TOTAL FEES PAYABLE (based on a full year)	\$35,620

Other Potential Fees (based on a full year)	\$NZD
Outdoor Education Fee Outdoor Education is an optional subject at Waimea College. The cost for this course is \$300 per term.	\$1,200
Music Tuition Fee Music Tuition is an extra-curricular option at Waimea College. The cost for this tuition is \$200 per term.	\$800
Health & Travel Insurance Waimea is able to provide a comprehensive Health and Travel insurance package from Unicare.	\$640 (approx.)
Student Visa Processing This fee is only charged if the Visa is processed by Waimea College.	\$900
NCEA Registration If the student is entered in NCEA, an annual NZQA fee will apply.	\$400 (approx.)

Tuition Fees for Shorter Placements	\$NZD
3 terms	\$15,500
2 terms	\$11,000

Please note that the above fees, as well as any other potential costs are explained in greater detail on the following page.



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Explanation of Fees

Tuition Fee

The tuition fee includes the following:

- Airport meeting service at Nelson Airport
- Administration expenses
- All bank fees
- All New Zealand government taxes (including GST and the international student levy)
- English Language classes as required
- Text book loan and specialist course requirements such as printed workbooks for subjects such as Tourism, any Science or Languages subject, Geography and Economics
- Graduation Dinner for Year 13 Leavers
- Student Identity card
- Use of a Locker (please note that a \$10 bond is charged for this, which is returned to the student when the key is returned at the end of their stay)
- International Class photo
- A copy of our College magazine "The Waimean" for students here at the end of the year
- Participation in the Waimea College Special Programme for non-NCEA students at the end of the year

Accommodation Fees

The homestay fee includes a single bedroom containing a comfortable bed and all required bedding, as well as a desk, chair and lamp for private study. The homestay fee covers all meals, although it should be noted that a higher fee of \$15 per week applies if a student has additional dietary requirements (e.g. gluten-free/vegetarian/lactose intolerant). Please note at this stage unfortunately we do not have families that can accommodate a vegan diet. All homestays have been visited and assessed by the College's Homestay Co-ordinator, and all occupants within the home over 18 years of age have been police vetted. Please note that the College is currently investigating alternative accommodation options such as boarding. In the event that a student's accommodation is provided by a means other than homestay, a different set of accommodation fees shall apply.

Uniform

Short term students (intending to stay less than one year) can hire basic uniform items (shorts, skirt, and jersey). Students are required to pay a \$200 security bond for their uniform items, which will be refunded when the uniform is returned in good condition. Blouses and polo shirts are not included and will need to be purchased on arrival. Additional personal uniform items such as shoes, socks, tights, and PE gear are not included. Students are recommended to bring a plain black jacket and black polishable shoes to wear with their Waimea uniform. Long term students (intending to stay for one year or longer) are recommended to purchase their own uniform at a cost of approximately \$480.

Outdoor Education Fee

The Outdoor Education course is optional and costs \$300 per term of participation. Students would normally enrol for either two or four terms, however some exceptions may apply. Students intending to study Outdoor Education are advised to bring good quality outdoor clothing, hiking boots and a large backpack.

Music Tuition Fee

The Music Tuition is an extracurricular option and costs \$200 per term of tuition. Students can enrol for one term or more. Students can hire instruments from Waimea College or bring their own, we have a small stock of instruments available to hire. The rental fee is approximately \$100 per term, this will be arranged on arrival.



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Health & Travel Insurance

Health and Travel Insurance for international students is a requirement of the New Zealand government. Waimea College prefers to arrange a Unicare Health & Travel Insurance policy that is compliant with the Code of Practice on behalf of its international students. This policy costs approximately \$640 for one year. If a student elects not to purchase the standard Unicare policy, evidence of privately arranged medical and travel insurance that is compliant with the Code of Practice must be demonstrated to the College prior to arrival.

Student Visa Processing

The College will charge an additional \$900 in the event that a student requires their Visa to be processed or extended from New Zealand. This is inclusive of all fees set by New Zealand Immigration.

NCEA Registration Fee

If the student is entered in NCEA, NZQA fees will apply. NZQA fees are set by the New Zealand government and cannot be altered by the school. NZQA fees are approximately \$400 per year.

Airport Transfer Service

Most international students fly into New Zealand via the International terminal at Auckland Airport. Waimea College is able to arrange assistance in supporting a student to transfer from the international terminal to the domestic terminal on request at a cost of \$120. Please note that there is no additional charge for meeting students at the domestic terminal of Nelson Airport.

Stationery

Depending on the courses chosen, general stationery may cost up to \$150. Specialist stationery requirements such as a graphics kit, calculators (including graphic), printing and photocopying costs will be in addition to this estimate.

Pocket Money Allowance

We suggest a minimum of \$75 per week for day-to-day spending. The College is able to set up an automatic payment into the student's New Zealand bank account on request.

Extra-curricular Activities

We estimate that each student would spend around \$2,000 annually on extra-curricular activities. This includes things like sports registration fees, team uniforms and trips, private music lessons or instrument hire, course-specific requirements, field trips and student camps.

Other Notes

- All fees are in New Zealand dollars and inclusive of GST.
- NCEA fees, GST and the International Student Levy are set by the New Zealand government and cannot be altered by Waimea College. In the event that any of these amounts are increased prior to a student's enrolment, the fees described within this schedule will also be increased accordingly.

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