

## ALLOWANCES 2023

ALLOWANCES	CRITERIA	YEARS	PAYMENT PA	CLOSING DATE
<b>Assistance for Isolated Children (AIC)*</b>	1. 56 km from nearest Govt School OR 2. 4.5 km from transport and 16 kms from nearest Govt School OR	Primary, Secondary & Tertiary up to 16	<b>\$9,396</b>	31/12/2023
No Income Test				
<b>FEDERAL</b>	3. Adverse roads for 20 days OR return journey exceeds 3 hours			
	4. Special needs category - remove from school, learning support, educational disadvantage - apply for Statement of Support Pack			
<b>Additional Boarding</b>	Parental income free area \$58,108		<b>\$2,695</b>	(Reduces 20c for each <b>\$1</b> over <b>\$58,108</b> )
Parental income Test	Upper combined family income limit - contact Centrelink (depends on number of siblings in each family (Family pool) & boarding costs for each child)			
	If Boarding charges are > <b>\$9396</b> , only basic amount paid			
<b>Second Home Allowance</b>	Limited to a maximum of 3 children per family		<b>\$273.71 p/fn/student</b>	
<b>Distance Education Allowance</b>		Primary & Secondary	<b>\$4,698</b>	
<b>Living Away from Home Allowance (LAFHA)</b>	Means tested <b>\$74,763</b> /year (adjusted) <b>48 kms from nearest Government School (isolation)</b> 48 kms from preferred Church School (choice)	Secondary Students	<b>\$2,284</b> <b>an additional \$525 in Years 11 &amp; 12 for applicants of geographical isolation criterion only</b>	30 June for a full year payment
<b>STATE</b>	Medical One parent family Impassable roads clause Studying agriculture at a senior level			
<b>Boarding Scholarships for Isolated Students (BSIS)</b>	Ag or Specialist High School Boarding at School Term Hostel (Parental means test threshold \$97,688)	Secondary Students	<b>\$6485</b>	31/03/2023
<b>School Drive Subsidy (SDS)</b>	For transporting students enrolled full-time in school or TAFE (pre-school children are not eligible) daily, weekly, termly or semester to school or to nearest transport pick up point.	Tertiary Primary, Secondary	<b>70 cents</b> per km per one way trip per family	Paid twice yearly and applications need to be made before end of semester claimed
<b>YOUTH ALLOWANCE</b>	All applicants must check Centrelink website <a href="http://www.centrelink.gov.au">www.centrelink.gov.au</a> for detailed information and eligibility criteria			
<b>Dependent</b>	Parental income test threshold \$58,108	Full time students	<b>&lt;18home\$332.90</b>	Payment from date
<b>Independent</b>	1. Earned at least 75% of the <b>National Training Wage</b> within an 14 month period since leaving school & moving from a regional/remote area to study	& new apprentices	<b>&lt;18away \$562.80</b> <b>&gt;18away\$562.80</b>	Centrelink appointment is made
<b>FEDERAL</b>	2. Worked part-time (min 15 hrs each week) for at least 2 years since leaving school		<b>&gt;18home\$389.40 per fortnight max</b>	
	3. Employed for 30 hrs per week for 18 months in a two year period on leaving school	16 - 24		
	4. Age of independence 22 years in 2022 <i>(Independent students - combined parental income limit, contact centrelink) (depends on number of siblings)</i>			
	5. Individual circumstance provisions			
<b>Loan</b>	<b>Student Start-Up</b> (All YA recipients)		<b>\$1,201</b>	Can apply for up to two loan payments each calendar year Loan periods are 1 Jan. to 30 June and 1 July to 31 December e
<b>Scholarship</b>	<b>Relocation</b> (Dependent YA only) Need to live away from family home to study		<b>\$5080 1st year</b>	<b>\$2,541 2nd or 3rd year \$1,269 following years</b> Payment from 24 February each year
<b>Tertiary Access Payment</b>	Up to \$5000 is available for students from outer regional or remote areas, for the year immediately following Year 12.			
	*The AIC and the Family Tax Benefit can be received simultaneously but NOT Youth Allowance and the Family Tax Benefit. Eligibility criteria change each year so please do not self-assess			
	<b>Contact: Tanya Mitchell (Allowances Convenor) by E: <a href="mailto:allowances.nsw@icpa.com.au">allowances.nsw@icpa.com.au</a></b>			

*This Guide is intended to be indicative only and should not be relied upon by anyone.*

*ICPA-NSW does not guarantee the accuracy of the information in this guide and strongly recommends that students and families make their own enquiries of Centrelink and Department of Education*

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