

School Fees 2022-23

NKB & DS Campuses

For students admitted before AY 2019-20

Class	Annual Tuition Fee*	Affiliation Fee	Caution Deposit	Imprest Deposit		
Nur to Class 10	Rs. 35,000/yr	PYP/MYP Rs. 3600/yr	-	Rs. 1,000		
*Payment plans→	 Plan A: Rs 1800 discount on full payment of annual tuition fee on or before 5 June. Plan B: Rs 300 discount for on-time payment of annual tuition fee in three installments (5 Jun, 5 Sep, 5 Dec) of Rs 11,367 each Plan C: There is no discount for payment in 10 monthly installments of Rs 3500 					

For students admitted in AY 2019-20 and thereafter

Class	Annual Tuition Fee*	Affiliation Fee	Caution Deposit	Imprest Deposit		
Nur to Class 10	Rs. 42,000/yr	PYP/MYP Rs. 3600/yr	Rs. 5,000	Rs. 1,000		
*Payment plans→	 Plan A: Rs 2100 discount on full payment of annual tuition fee on or before 5 June. Plan B: Rs 350 discount for <u>on-time</u> payment of annual tuition fee in three installments (5 Jun, 5 Sep, 5 Dec) of Rs 13,650 each Plan C: There is no discount for payment in 10 monthly installments of Rs 4200 					

Policies and procedures

- For new admissions, affiliation fee, caution deposit, and imprest deposit must be paid at the time of registration.
- 2. For continuing students, affiliation fee must be paid at the time of registration and must be done before 5th Mar
- 3. Tuition fee installment must be paid on or before the 5th of the month in which it is due.
- If annual tuition fees are past due, the school will not issue bonafide certificate, examination hall tickets, or performance reports. If past due for two months, the child may not attend classes.
- Fees once paid will not be refunded or transferred. Caution deposit will not be refunded in case of mid-year withdrawal with fees due.
- 6. Parents are liable for annual tuition fee even if the student withdraws or joins in the middle of the year.
- Payment may be made through cash, cheque, or online transfer of funds. Bank details are:

FOCUS HIGH SCHOOL FEES A/c No. 6108625917, INDIAN BANK, DARUL SHAFA BRANCH IFSC: IDIB000D032 (please submit acknowledgement to accounts office and specify the child's name, ID number, and installment number)

Affiliation fee

Our schools are affiliated with and meet quality standards of international accrediting organizations, such as International Baccalaureate (IB) and Cognia. These organizations set high standards for governance, teaching-learning, and infrastructure. They conduct training and inspections to ensure that schools meet the standards. We must pay the affiliation fees at the beginning of the academic year. Therefore, we are collecting this school fee apart from the monthly installments.

Caution deposit

Caution deposit of Rs 5000 is collected at the time of registration. It will remain with the school until the child withdraws. It will be returned if there are no fees due. It will NOT be returned if the child withdraws mid-year.

Imprest deposit

Imprest deposit of Rs 1000 is collected along with the first installment. The objective is to avoid the inconvenience of repeated small cash transactions between parents and the school. The school will provide actual expense details on the fee payment dates. Remaining balance if any will be carried forward to next academic year. Imprest balance must be maintained at Rs 500 or above at all times. Imprest deposit covers expenses such as:

- Transport costs and registration fees for <u>optional</u> competitions or events
- Stationery items
- Library fines or fines for late pick up of children as explained in the diary
- Replacement of property that is damaged

Included in tuition fees

- Curricular field visits and events
- Counseling services
- Aptitude testing, career counseling for C9-C10
- Additional tuition and mentorship for C9-C10
- SSC Public examination fees
- District Common Examination Board fees
- Hyderabad District School Games Federation fees

Not included in tuition fees

- Application for admission and registration Rs 350
- Application for withdrawal Rs 350
- Duplicate receipt, hall ticket, performance report, etc. Rs 50
- Application to condone underage student in C10 Rs 1000
- Application to exempt Telugu language in C10 Rs 1000
- Application for promotion in C6-C10 Rs 1000
- Extracurricular sports approx. Rs 400/month
- After school remedial classes approx. Rs 400/month

Affiliation fee

- 1. What is the affiliation fee?
 - a. Our schools are affiliated with and meet quality standards of international accrediting organisations, such as International Baccalaureate (IB) and Cognia. These organisations set high standards for governance, teaching-learning, and infrastructure. They conduct training and inspections to ensure that schools meet the standards.
 - b. They charge our school an annual fee for these services and the permission to use their brand name.
 - c. We must pay the affiliation fees at the beginning of the academic year. Therefore, we are collecting this school fee apart from the monthly installments.
- 2. Why didn't we have to pay in the past?
 - a. Parents have always paid for this, but it was included in the "Annual Tuition Fee"
 - b. In the past, we had reserves and grants (e.g. discounts from IB) to manage these payments on time.
 - But, the pandemic has depleted those reserves and made it necessary to reorganize our fees in this way.
- 3. Isn't this another way of increasing the fee burden on parents?
 - a. We have kept the annual tuition fee the same for 3 years out of consideration for parents
 - b. School took on debts of over Rs 50 lakhs out of consideration for parents
 - c. The affiliation fee is a modest one amounting to Rs 240-Rs 360 over 10 months
 - d. Since 2019-20, it amounts to an increase of 3.3% per year
- 4. Will the affiliation fee be charged every year?
 - a. Yes, it is an annual fee because the expenses described below are annual
- 5. What's the benefit? Why should parents pay for this?
 - a. The benefit of affiliation is quality assurance at an international standard
 - b. Teachers are trained by experts authorized by IB, Cognia, & Association Montessori Internationale (AMI)
 - c. Appropriate software is used by the school for teaching-learning, communications, and records: e.g. Toddle and Focus-ERP
 - d. Additional resources are provided to meet accreditation requirements (e.g. PYP exhibition, MYP Personal Project, Design/STEM lab resources, Montessori environments, Endeavour/SEN/counseling resources, ICT resources, library resources)

Monthly fees in 10 installments

- 1. Why did you increase the monthly fee?
 - a. Our annual tuition fees remain the same as they were 3 years ago (since 2019-20). But, we have reorganized them into 10 monthly installments instead of 12 monthly installments.
- 2. Why?
 - a. This change is because parents generally do not make payments in April and May when children are not in school. Therefore, we must close the collection of fees by March.
- 3. What other options are there?
 - a. Plan A is to pay full year get a 5% discount
 - b. Plan B is to pay in 3 installments and get approx 2.5% discount
 - c. Plan C is to pay in 10 monthly installments and get no discount
- 4. We parents cannot afford higher monthly payments
 - a. It amounts to Rs 600-700 more per month
 - b. And there is no payment to be done in April and May
 - c. It is better than carrying over fees to the next academic year when the burden on parents piles up more and more.