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1 APPLICATION FEE FOR 2026 ADMISSION

The TISC Board has set the application fee for Semester 1 2026 admission at \$95.00. This single application fee will allow students to apply through TISC with up to six preferences across the five universities.

TISC is aware that the application fee does create a barrier for some students to apply for university. We are currently unable to offer fee waivers or reductions, but we do allow third parties to pay on behalf of students (for example, school P&C Associations or charitable organisations). To facilitate a third party payment, the student should complete their application up to and including the Application Declaration, and supply their TISC User ID, full name and date of birth to the third party.

The organisation wishing to pay for the student's application should then telephone TISC on 9318 8000 to complete credit card payment over the phone. TISC will ask for the student's User ID, name and date of birth to ensure the payment is applied to the correct application.

2 APPLICATION OPENING DATE

Applications through TISC for Semester 1 2026 admission will open on **Tuesday 3 June 2025.**

The first round of Year 12 Early Offers will be released on **Monday 1 September 2025**. There will be three or four further rounds of Early Offers – confirmed dates will be available shortly on the TISC website.

3 2026 TISC GUIDE - GOING DIGITAL!

The 2026 TISC Guide will be a digital-only publication, in line with most other Australian states. In an ever-changing admissions environment, this will allow us to publish slightly earlier and to amend information if required. It will also save around 100 trees per year! The TISC Guide will be available as a full PDF download (which can be printed as required) and as an embedded flip book on the TISC website. The publication date is yet to be confirmed but is expected to be in early July.

If you have concerns about the accessibility of a digital-only TISC Guide for your school's students, please contact TISC at schools@tisc.edu.au

4 TISC PRESENTATIONS TO SCHOOLS IN 2025

TISC representatives are available to provide presentations to groups of teachers, career practitioners, Year 12 students and/or parents from now until September. These presentations can be done in person, or online via Microsoft Teams, subject to resourcing and travel time.

Presentations are tailored to the audience, the time of year and the amount of time allocated, and can cover the following topics as required:

- university admission requirements
- alternative entry pathways
- marks adjustment processes
- the application process
- structuring preferences
- early offers
- the offer process
- offer response options

Presentations to major regional centres (Geraldton, Kalgoorlie, the South West and the Great Southern) are being arranged. The online presentations provide flexibility outside those windows. If you would like to book a regional school visit, please email schools@tisc.edu.au for information and availability.

All other bookings should be made online via Microsoft Bookings.

The PowerPoint presentation available on the TISC website is updated from time to time through the year as new information becomes available.

5 YEAR 12 SUBJECT INCENTIVES UPDATE

TISC is engaged in further consultation on incentives for Year 12 study. Updates will be provided during the year and can be found online here. The current incentive arrangements will be in place for Year 12 students up to and including 2027.

6 PREDICTED ATAR

The ATAR calculator on TISC's website should not be used to predict future ATARs. Adding together four scores based on raw subject scores does not give an accurate TEA and therefore can result in an incorrect outcome.

TISC does not endorse any third parties that claim to calculate a predicted ATAR, and caution should be used in procuring any such service.

7 TISC STAFFING CHANGES

Georgina Ker, TISC's Manager Application Services, has resigned from TISC, effective 17 April. From 2 May, this position will be ably filled by Edwina Byrne, who has extensive experience within TISC and many of you will already know.

Emails will be monitored, but it is best to use TISC's shared email addresses where possible, or phone the switchboard on 9318 8000:

- For queries directly from schools, such as school visits and School Registers: schools@tisc.edu.au
- For application-related queries and providing documentation: applications@tisc.edu.au
- For general queries including trouble logging in: info@tisc.edu.au

8 EASTER OFFICE CLOSURE

The TISC office will be closed from 4.30pm Thursday 17 April until 9.00am Monday 28 April, for an extended Easter/ANZAC Day break. We wish all our school staff, parents and students a restful school holiday period.

9 SUBSCRIBE TO TISC UPDATES

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