

BBR Schools, Inc. Student Fee Policy – School Year 2023-2024

Pursuant to LA R.S. §§ 17:3996, 17:177, and 17:178, it is the policy of BBR Schools, Inc. ("BBR") to clearly communicate to parents about applicable fees for non-required activities that may be offered to students at BASIS Baton Rouge Materra and BASIS Baton Rouge Primary – Mid-City ("Schools") from time to time.

As stated in the BASIS Charter Schools Parent/Student Handbook, to collect fees the Schools use a third-party payment system to provide clarity, flexibility, and convenience. Late fees are not assessed in connection with the use of this service, and educational records will not be withheld for nonpayment of fees under any circumstance. Fees are collected up-front at the onset of the applicable activities, but payment plans or waivers may be requested as described herein.

The Schools do not collect fees for required school supplies or any activities required by the academic curriculum. Optional activities including elective courses, extra-curricular activities, field trips, and supplemental supplies and equipment may have associated fees, as set forth below, and replacement fees for lost or damaged school equipment may be assessed. Fees that do not fall within the below listed categories are not authorized by this policy.

1. Communication Journal – \$10 - \$20*
2. Arts/Engineering Supplies and Labs – \$15 - \$50*
3. Personally owned books/workbooks – \$5 - \$50*
4. Personally owned technology devices – \$295
 - a. Device protection plan – \$65
5. Field Trips – \$10 - \$50, which may include transportation, admissions fees, and incidentals
6. Extracurricular Activities and Registration Fees – \$80 - \$200, which may include registration, activities and events fees, third-party operator fees, supplies and materials, indirect facilities costs, and uniforms and/or commemorative clothing and other items
7. Late Bird – \$50 per child registration fee and \$225 per month per child cost with a 20% sibling discount; \$30 per child for daily "drop in" usage; there is an additional late-pick up fee of \$20 for pick-up between 5:31 and 5:45 pm, and \$40 for pick-up after 5:45pm. Financial aid is not applicable to late pick-up fees. Late Bird offers a safe, supervised extension of the school day where children can study, socialize, and unwind after the school day ends.
8. Project Week – \$10-\$50* which may include activities and event fees, third-party operator fees, supplies, and materials
9. Replacement locks – \$7**
10. Replacement technology devices – \$200 - \$295**
11. Replacement laptops – \$700 - \$800**
12. Summer camps or programs*** – \$50 registration fee per child and no more than \$200 per week per child for full-time or part-time programming. Optional Late Bird can be added for no more than \$100 per child per week. This is a safe, supervised summer day-program where children can learn and explore ideas in fun and engaging ways while socializing with peers.
13. School-Organized Overnight Trips****- No more than \$1,000 per child, which may include air travel, ground transportation, lodging, admission fees, chaperone costs, food, and incidentals.

*Fees associated with supplies and equipment are spent on purchasing, maintaining, and storing those items.

**Students are not charged fees to use lockers or to use school technology devices or laptops to access the curriculum, but a replacement fee may be charged for lost or damaged locks,

devices, or laptops as determined on a case-by-case basis dependent on the circumstances, the severity of damage, and whether the item can be adequately repaired and restored to its pre-damaged condition.

Families experiencing financial hardship may seek financial aid and request a payment plan or a discount up to a full waiver of applicable fees by contacting the Head of Operations. Criteria considered when determining eligibility for fee waivers include, but are not limited to, whether the student and/or family is receiving public assistance, such as unemployment benefits, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits, supplemental security income, Medicaid; is in or is providing foster care; is experiencing homelessness; is serving in active military duty; is eligible for free or reduced-price meals; and other circumstances, as reviewed on a case-by-case basis. Initial denials of fee waivers may be appealed, in writing, to the Head of School or his/her designee.

***Financial aid for summer camps or summer programs is set at 50% of the standard cost, but additional hardship circumstances will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis to determine if greater consideration is warranted.

****Financial aid for school-organized overnight trips is set at 50% of the standard cost, but additional hardship circumstances will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis to determine if greater consideration is warranted. Please note that this fee policy applies only to school-organized trips.