Questions & Answers

Parents in Education Grant Program

Catholic School Parents SA (CSPSA)



The Parents in Education (PIE) program is designed to award grants to school communities that undertake projects in alignment with the Parent Engagement in Learning Strategy of the Government of South Australia.

The funding is intended for projects that assist parents and caregivers to become involved in their child's education and promote learning at home through constructive relationships with schools.

How is it funded?

The PIE grant program is supported through the Office of the Minister for Education, Training and Skills, Government of South Australia.

Catholic School Parents South Australia will be administering the grants for Catholic Schools in South Australia.

What criteria needs to be met?

The PIE project needs to meet one/or both of the following criteria established by CSPSA:

- Does the application propose a new program or activity to promote parent engagement in the school community: or
- Does the application propose to enhance or further develop an existing program/activity to promote parent engagement in the school community.

What are some examples of PIE programs that meet the criteria?

Projects or programs could include:

- Specialist guest speakers on topics of specific interest to your parent community (eg. cyber security or bullying prevention)
- Resources or programs that promote positive parenting.
- Resourcing for an activity that strengthens community engagement in your school.

Who can apply?

- Parent bodies eg. P&F Associations
- School Board
- Schools and clusters of schools

How much funding is available for each grant?

Each PIE project application can be funded up to the maximum of \$2000.

Do we need to supply an estimated budget and quotations with our application?

The application needs to detail the estimated cost of the project and specify the grant amount you wish to apply for. Please list the estimated project expenses if no quotations have been obtained.

Can catering expenses be covered?

Miscellaneous catering expenses which are associated with an event can be covered if they are detailed in the budget eg. tea/coffee and light snacks to the value of \$200.

When do the PIE grants have to be used by?

The grants are to be used by the end of the calendar year in which the grant was provided.

A summary of the event will need to be provided to CSPSA following the project completion.

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Can our school apply if we've received a grant previously?

Yes. If the PIE project meets the criteria.

How will I know if my application is successful? Who makes the decisions?

The funding arrangement has a limited pool of funds. Not all applications will be successful, and a panel will determine which applicants meet the criteria.

The PIE panel includes members with governance and finance experience as well as a community representative.

Successful applicants will be advised by Friday May 30 2025 and will receive their funds via a grant payment.

A summary of successful applications will be provided to the Governance and Quality Assurance Standing Committee of SACCS.

Where do I submit the application?

You can submit the application via the online form: cspsa.catholic.edu.au/pie

Alternatively, PDF applications can be sent to trish.jarvis@cspsa.catholic.edu.au

Application Deadline

Applications open Monday April 28 2025 (Term 1, Week 2).

Applications close at **5pm on Monday May 19 2025 (Term 2, Week 4)**.



Questions? Contact Us!

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