



Payment Categories / Costs 2025-26

Documents to be Considered for Category Assignment:

- Certification of parent involvement at a Christian church (all families)
- Proof of income for both parents

SMLV (*Salario Mínimo Legal Vigente*) Minimum Wage **2025** = **\$1'423.500/month**
 8 SMLV = \$11'388.000 / 14 SMLV = \$19'929.000 / 20 SMLV = \$28'470.000

A	A1			
Full Cost	Letter from the embassy and/or company in charge of payments 1-5 hours/week church attendance, or 2 hours/week for 1 parent			
B	B1	B2	B3	B4
Secular Work Involved in church and/or ministry 6-39 hours/week	Income more than 20 SMLV Discount = 10%	Income between 14-20 SMLV Discount = 10%	Income between 8-14 SMLV Discount = 10%	Income less than 8 SMLV Discount = 10%
C	C1	C2	C3	C4
Bivocational / Ministry / Foreign Missionaries Involved in full-time ministry 40 hours/week	Income more than 20 SMLV Discount = 10%	Income between 14-20 SMLV Discount = 10%	Income between 8-14 SMLV Discount = 10%	Income less than 8 SMLV Discount = 10% Confirmation from a foreign mission of ability to pay

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PreK - 12 th August 2025 - May 2026				
A	A1			
Annual Total	52'811.180			
Enrollment	5'281.180			
Monthly Tuition	4'753.000			
Tuition with Discount	4'277.700			
B	B1	B2	B3	B4
Annual Total	35'854.400	32'749.900	30'507.700	28'144.400
Enrollment	3'585.400	3'274.900	3'050.700	2'814.400
Monthly Tuition	3'226.900	2'947.500	2'745.700	2'533.000
Tuition with Discount	2'904.210	2'652.750	2'471.130	2'279.700
C	C1	C2	C3	C4
Annual Total	30'407.700	26'072.200	21'476.600	19'681.100
Enrollment	3'040.700	2'607.200	2'147.600	1'968.100
Monthly Tuition	2'736.700	2'346.500	1'932.900	1'771.300
Tuition with Discount	2'463.030	2'111.850	1'739.610	1'594.170

ECA staff members have an additional discount.

A. EDUCATIONAL FEES

1. Enrollment

- Before starting the school year, an enrollment fee equal to 10% of the annual total is due.
- The enrollment fee is nonrefundable, and necessary to confirm intent to attend ECA.
- If a student enters after the 1st quarter, the enrollment fee will be 20% of the enrollment fee plus 8% for each month the student will attend.

2. Tuition

- August tuition is due by August 4, 2025 and includes a discount for early payment.
- September to May tuition payments are due the 30th of each month.
- To receive the early-payment discount for September to May, the payment must be made no later than the 10th of the month.
- For elementary students enrolling after the first 15 school days each semester, the tuition payment is calculated starting from the enrollment date. For secondary students enrolling after the first 15 school days each semester, tuition payment is calculated from the first day of the current quarter. If transfer grades for the current quarter are submitted, tuition can be prorated for the portion of the quarter for which the secondary student is enrolled.
- If a student has a prolonged absence, but expects to receive grades for the corresponding academic period(s), normal tuition will be charged.

3. Full Cost

When the cost of enrollment or tuition is paid directly by an embassy, company, or organization outside the student's family, the full cost established and approved by the District Secretary of Education (Category A1) will be applied, without any type of scholarship, since neither the economic or ministerial conditions of the family are considered for this payment category.

B. PERIODIC CHARGES

- Transportation: School van use is optional and usually door-to-door or school-to-*portería* for most locations. A minimum commitment of 1 semester (5 months) is required.

Transportation, Round Trip	Monthly Rate for 1 Student	Monthly Rate Each for 2+ Students
Normal route	\$515.600	\$483.400
Routes from <i>Mirandela, Tejares, and Marantá</i>	\$365.200	\$346.400
Individual daysdaily cost:	\$ 30.000	\$ 30.000
<i>Sabana Norte</i> route	\$552.000	\$552.000

- Lunches & Snacks: Asher is responsible for billing families and collecting payment for their cafeteria food services. Food service is optional.

Lunch	Daily Price	Yearly Total Amount	Monthly Price for 10 Months
PreK - 4 th	\$16.800	\$2'827.000	\$282.700
5 th - 12 th	\$19.300	\$3'080.000	\$308.000
Adults	\$19.300		

Snack	Daily Price	Yearly Total Amount	Monthly Price for 10 Months
PreK - 4 th	\$7.850	\$ 1'383.000	\$ 138.300
5 th - 12 th	\$9.000	\$ 1'564.000	\$ 156.400

C. OTHER PERIODIC CHARGE

12th grade graduation fee\$247.000

D. OPTIONAL SERVICES

1. Basic extracurricular activities according to activity
2. Extracurricular activities that require materials or that are held off campus (art, music, tennis, swimming, etc.)..... according to activity
3. Grade certificates, according to Secretary of Education requirements per grade, student enrollment, financial verification, and other certificates\$ 11.000
4. 4th copy of transcripts (first three copies are free)\$ 11.000
5. 12th grade graduation ceremony (ECA receives payments for third parties)\$544.600
6. External academic test fee + shipping (Saber/PSAT, AP, etc.) (ECA receives payments for third parties) varies
7. ELL/ESL, staff tutoring, or other professional support.....to be determined
8. Retreats and service outreach trips.....to be determined

E. ENROLLMENT & PAYMENT WINDOWS – 2025-26

1. Enrollment Windows – during which both parents sign legal documents virtually
Jun 27 - Jul 4 Regular Enrollment
Jul 5 - 31 Late Enrollment – \$200.000 late fee will be charged
2. Payment Windows
Jun 1-27 **Enrollment**, with **5%** discount
Jun 1-27 Full semester tuition, with a **12%** early-payment discount
Jun 1-27 Full annual tuition, with a **15%** early-payment discount
Jun 28 - Jul 4 **Enrollment**, without early-payment discount
Jul 5-31 **Enrollment**, with a late fee
Aug 4 Last day to pay August tuition with the **10%** early-payment discount
Sep 10 - May 10 .. Monthly due date for tuition with a **10%** discount (the 10th of each month)
Oct 10 Extracurricular fee for 1st semester participants
Feb 10..... 12th grade graduation fee
Mar 10..... Extracurricular fee for 2nd semester participants
Jan 1-10..... Full semester tuition payment, with a **12%** early-payment discount

F. PAYMENT METHOD

ECA parents pay their monthly invoices using **ecollect**, a platform on our website. This system receives payments via debit or credit card. Payments for other items will be available on the school's website through Wompi links.

G. SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY

Students are expected to meet academic and behavioral norms to continue to be eligible to receive discounts or scholarships. This includes attendance standards as stated in the Handbook.

H. FINES / PENALTIES

1. Families who do not complete enrollment by July 4 will be charged the \$200.000 late enrollment fee.
2. Families who pay tuition 45 days after the invoice is issued will be charged the legal interest rate, as stated in the contract.
3. Families who do not pay the monthly transportation fee by the 10th of the month will not continue to receive the transportation service. Service will be resumed the day after payment is confirmed.
4. Parents of students who are withdrawn before the end of the school year (a breach of the educational contract) need to submit written notice at least 30 days prior to withdrawal. Parents must pay a minimum of 1 month's tuition beyond the notification date. Emergencies will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

I. OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTS

1. Families cannot start the school year until:
 - a. Outstanding bills from the previous year are paid
 - b. Enrollment is paid
 - c. Enrollment is completed, including submitting all documents and signing the contract(s).
2. Families who fall behind with more than 1 month of tuition payments are responsible to contact the ECA Finance office to clarify their situation and work out a suitable payment plan.
3. Students whose families are behind with any payments on the last day of school will not receive final report cards or be allowed to participate in the graduation ceremony until payments are up-to-date or a payment plan, approved by the administrative office, is in place.
4. Families who have outstanding accounts on the last day of school, or who have consistently failed to pay on time for at least 5 months of the school year and thus breached the contract, will not be guaranteed a spot for the upcoming school year. If desiring to continue, a family in this situation must take the initiative to make an agreement with the Administrative Director, and then submit to the conditions in the agreement. Otherwise, the spot will not be held.