

# State Schools' Relief

## Prep CSEF Uniform Package 2019



### UPDATE FOR PARENTS

Applications for the Prep CSEF Uniform Package 2019 begin: Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2019

## What you need to know

### Who is SSR?

State Schools' Relief is a not-for-profit organisation that works closely with all government schools across Victoria. Each year State Schools' Relief provides assistance to families experiencing financial disadvantage with school uniforms and footwear.

### Introduction to Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund

Through government funding the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) was established to provide payments for eligible students to attend camps, sports days and excursions. To find out more, or to apply for assistance, go to <https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx>

State Schools' Relief is providing packages to families eligible to receive this funding.

### 2019 Prep Uniform Package for CSEF recipients

Prep students for 2019 that are recipients of the Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund (CSEF) automatically qualify for the uniform package and/or voucher.

### What's in the package?

The 2019 package contains the following items:

- 1 x Rugby Top or Hooded / Windcheater or Jacket (Bomber/Polar Fleece) or Long Sleeve Polo
- 1 x Tracksuit Pants or Trousers or Pants
- 1 x Pair of Shoes (Lace Up or T-Bar or Runner/Sneaker)

Please note the following:

- PE items are not included as part of this package
- Shoes must be requested in UK sizes (*please contact your school for our shoe sizing chart*)

### Cost to parents

Where State Schools' Relief cannot supply uniform items directly, you will receive a voucher that subsidises the cost of the uniform items. The voucher can be redeemed at your child's school uniform shop, or independent uniform retailer, which will be listed on the voucher. Parents receiving vouchers may need to make a co-contribution towards the cost of the uniform items. The amount a parent has to pay will depend on the retail purchase price and the State Schools' Relief subsidy.

The voucher provided by State Schools' Relief lists every approved item, and the maximum purchase value, that State Schools' Relief will cover. Check your school's uniform price list to work out how much extra you may need to contribute towards the uniform item. **Please note:** vouchers do have an expiry date and must be used before this date.

### How do I apply for the CSEF Uniform Package?

Applications are made through your child's school. Please do not contact State Schools' Relief directly as staff are unable to accept applications directly from parents or families. Should you have any questions, or wish to apply for assistance, please speak with your child's 2019 school.

### How do I receive the uniform package?

- All items and/or vouchers provided by SSR will be delivered directly to your child's school. The school will then contact you to arrange handover of these items and/or vouchers.
- The voucher will advise whether you collect items from the school uniform shop or a retailer. If it's a retailer, please check with your school to find out the nearest store.
- If a uniform item costs more than the maximum subsidised amount, State Schools' Relief is unable to cover any further cost.
- If a uniform item costs less than the maximum subsidised amount, the difference cannot be redeemed or transferred to an alternate uniform item.

**Please note:** vouchers are not transferable and cannot be exchanged for cash; they cannot be used to purchase extra items and only the uniform item listed can be purchased with the voucher. State Schools' Relief does not make cash payments to schools or parents.

### Terms and Conditions

- Only Prep students for 2019 that qualify for CSEF are automatically entitled to a uniform pack.
- Each student is eligible for only one uniform pack.
- If a student is repeating Prep, and received a pack in 2018, they are not eligible to receive another pack in 2019.
- All vouchers have an expiry date, which is included on the voucher. Vouchers must be used within the time frame specified.
- Expired vouchers cannot be redeemed.
- Vouchers will not be re-issued when lost or once they have expired.
- If uniform items cost less than the stated subsidised amount on the voucher, any unused subsidy cannot:
  - be transferred to a different uniform item
  - be used to purchase an extra item; or
  - provided as cash to the school or the parent.

## What you need to do

Your child's school will be in contact with you to order the 2019 uniform package.