

# Brisbane School of Distance Education — ICT Subsidy Scheme

## Purpose

To assist families with offsetting the cost of computer equipment and internet access for students enrolled in a State School of Distance Education (annually).

## Eligibility

State Schools of Distance Education will administer funds to eligible students currently enrolled at a State School of Distance Education for a minimum of six months continuous enrolment.

**Computer hardware subsidies** are available to support students who are identified as belonging to geographically isolated or medical categories.

**Broadband internet subsidies** are available to support students who are identified as belonging to the geographically isolated category.

## Allocation of funds

**Computer Hardware Subsidy:** An annual payment of \$250 to eligible students to assist with purchasing, replacing or upgrading computer hardware.

**Broadband Internet Subsidy:** An annual payment of \$500 to eligible students to assist with provision of broadband internet access.

## Payment details

Payments are issued in two rounds each year (only) according to the eligibility for when the Proforma return is made by the Community and Engagement Team.

Type	Grant funding received at BrisbaneSDE	Payments to commence from the school to the families
Round 1	April	May/June
Round 2	October	November/December

**Please note:** Payment times listed above are a guide only. Payments are issued from another system which is maintained by our OneSchool team. Please ensure you update our team if any details change throughout a student's enrolment and/or supply a new form with your enrolment application. Please expect delays if this is the first time you are receiving the payment of this subsidy, as a new supplier request is required and submitted by our Payment Officer (this can take 2–4 weeks to process).

## How to apply

In March and September each year, our Community and Engagement Team will submit a proforma return on behalf of the students who meet the criteria mentioned above. There is no need for families to request or officially apply for this funding. However, as payments are made via Direct Deposit you need to complete a [Bank details form](#) and submit to the [Finance Team](#) (if not completed with your enrolment application). There are no proforma returns for funding in between these dates, if a student does not meet the criteria according to the proforma, they are likely to be included in the next round should they remain eligible.

## Further information

Eligibility and funding enquires, please contact [Community and Engagement Team](#).

Requesting an update on a payment date, please contact the [Finance Team](#).

More information relating to this funding can be found on the Queensland Government State Schools Core Funding page: [School of Distance Education — ICT Subsidy Scheme](#).