A **Concession Card Discount** is offered to families who hold a 'means tested' Government Health Care or Pensioner Concession card. These cards must meet the criteria outlined below for the Concession Card Discount to apply.

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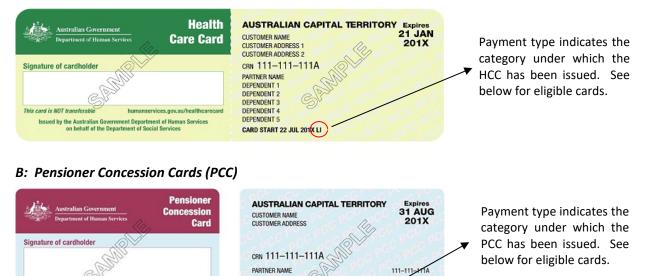
1. What do the cards look like and what information do they contain?

Two categories of cards are eligible for the 40% Concession Card Discount, applied to the All-Inclusive Education Fee. A sample of each card is provided below:

A: Health Care Cards (HCC)

This card is NOT transferable

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2. Does the Concession Card Discount apply to all school fees?

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The Concession Card Discount applies to the *All-Inclusive Education Fee* after any family discounts have been applied. The Concession Card Discount *does not* apply to the Building Levy or Specific Purpose Charges.

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CHILD ONE 111-111-111A CHILD TWO 111-111-111A CHILD THREE 111-111-111A

Card start 01 Jan 201X



3. Which Concession Cards meet the criteria for eligibility?

To be eligible for the 40% Concession Card Discount on the All-Inclusive Education Fee (after Family Discount):

- a) The card must be "Means-Tested". Refer to the list below of eligible and ineligible cards.
- b) The card holder must be the person legally responsible for paying the school fees and the child's name must appear as a "Dependent". A child aged 16+ may have their own eligible card.
- c) The card must be current on any day of the billing period for which discount is being applied.

ELIGIBLE CARDS (Meet criteria)	INELIGIBLE CARDS (Don't meet criteria)
 Health Care Card / Pensioner Card: Newstart Allowance (NSA, NS) Sickness Allowance (SA) Youth Allowance (YA) Partner Allowance (PA) Parenting Payment (partnered) (PPP, PP) Widow Allowance (WA) Special Benefit (SpB, SL) Carer Payment (CP) Family Tax Benefit Part A (max rate) (FTB) Farm Household Allowance (LHS, FH) Low Income Earner (LI) Family Tax Benefit (FA) Austudy/Abstudy (AU, AUS, ABY, AB) Age Pension (AGE) Bereavement Allowance (BVA) Carer Payment (CP, CAR) Disability Support Pension (DSP) JobSeeker Payment (JS, JSP) Newstart Allowance (YA) Youth Allowance (YA) Parenting Payment (single) (PPS, PPP) Commonwealth Seniors Health Card (SHC) 	 Ex-Carer Allowance (Child) Health Care Card (CA, EH) Foster Child Health Care Card (FO) Mobility Allowance (MOB) Carer Allowance caring for a child under 16yrs (CA) Medicare Card Child with Disability (CD) Department of Veterans' Affairs (DVA) Health Cards: Gold, White and Orange

4. Is there any financial support available for families experiencing hardship who do not have an eligible Concession Card?

Families experiencing financial hardship are encouraged to arrange a confidential conversation with the school principal.

5. Can the Concession Card Discount be backdated to apply to previous terms?

The Concession Card Discount is applied to the current billing period. If a family presents with an eligible Concession Card part way through the billing period, the concession will apply for that **whole period**.

6. What if my card becomes invalid due to a change in circumstances?

The Concession Card Discount applies where the applicant's Health Care or Pensioner Card is valid. If circumstances change prior to the expiry period nominated on the card, it is the responsibility of the card holder to advise the school of the change in circumstance so that school fees can be adjusted.

7. Where can I get more information?

For more information about the means-tested Australian government Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card, please visit the Centrelink website at: <u>http://www.centrelink.gov.au</u>