

# Who can get ABSTUDY

When a high school student needs to live away from home



Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students may get ABSTUDY payments.

What ABSTUDY payments students can get will depend on their situation, where they study and the type of study they do.

Some ABSTUDY payments are only for students who need to live away from home to go to high school.

For these payments, your child must have a reason why they need to live away from home.

## Reasons why your child may need to live away from home

- the local school is too far away
- there's no local school for them to go to
- they have a scholarship to go to a school in another town
- their home conditions make it hard to study
- they can't go to the local school for some reason, like racism
- they're excluded from all local schools
- they have a disability, health condition or special education need
- they're doing an approved special course
- you're away a lot for work
- your home is in a particular remote area



To find out if your child might get ABSTUDY, call the ABSTUDY line on **1800 132 317**.



Before your child moves away, you may want to take them to an open day at the new school.

ABSTUDY helps you and your child visit the school before the school year starts. You must claim ABSTUDY first.

Other students can also get ABSTUDY. For example:

- primary school students aged 14 or older who live at home
- high school students who live at home
- TAFE and university students
- Australian Apprentices.



**ABSTUDY**

Help for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians with the costs of study.

## For more information

 [servicesaustralia.gov.au/abstudy](https://servicesaustralia.gov.au/abstudy)

 ABSTUDY line **1800 132 317**