

Chaplaincy and student welfare worker services 2020-22 funding application process

All Queensland state schools are being invited to submit an online application for National School Chaplaincy Program and non-recurrent State Government funding for chaplaincy and student welfare worker services for the 2020-22 school years.

Schools that receive funding through the recurrent State Government Chaplaincy/Student Welfare Funding Program will continue to receive the same level of funding and do not need to apply for that funding through this application process.

Submitting an application does not guarantee that a school will receive a funding allocation.

Schools will be notified of funding allocations in Term 4 2019, with funds distributed from 2020.

To access the chaplaincy and student welfare worker services policy statement click [here](#).

Community consultation

Prior to applying for funding for chaplaincy or student welfare worker services, schools should consult with the school community to ensure there is support for the introduction or continuation of a chaplaincy or student welfare worker service within the school.

Evidence of community consultation must be held by the school and can be demonstrated by:

- the provision of details such as the results of school surveys, meetings, newsletters, community discussions. At a minimum, consultation must have been conducted with the school's parent body or school equivalent;
- principal endorsed minutes or a signed letter from the head of the parent body or school equivalent confirming support for a chaplaincy or student welfare worker service.

Multi-campus schools

For schools with more than one campus, host schools should liaise with each campus prior to submitting the online application. The host school will apply on behalf of each campus using the host school's login ID and access code.

The online application enables the host school to:

- indicate the name of each campus that is applying for funding;
- nominate preferred funding amounts for each campus.

Cluster arrangements

Schools have the option to use a cluster arrangement for a chaplaincy or student welfare worker service. This is achieved through schools agreeing and contributing their funding to employ a chaplain or student welfare worker across the cluster.

Under a cluster arrangement, schools can only use their school's funding allocation to deliver chaplaincy or student welfare worker services in their school.

Funding amounts

Schools can request up to \$20,280 to deliver a chaplaincy or student welfare worker service at each school and campus. This equates to approximately eight hours of service per school week.

Schools in remote or very remote areas will automatically receive an additional 20% in funding.

As part of the online application process, schools select the preferred minimum funding amount per year that their school and each campus has the capacity to deliver. Options for funding amounts are:

- \$20,280 (approximately 8 hrs/school week)
- \$15,210 (approximately 6 hrs/school week)
- \$10,140 (approximately 4 hrs/school week)
- \$5,070 (approximately 2 hrs/school week).

