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Ichthys LNG Larrakia School Participation Program

Information Sheet & Frequently Asked Questions

2017

The Ichthys LNG Larrakia School Participation Program (LSPP) offers financial assistance to Larrakia families that have Larrakia school students enrolled in grade transition (prep) to year 12. A \$50 payment is available for Larrakia children from transition to year 3 and a \$100 payment is available for Larrakia children from year 4 to year 12.

The LSPP is funded in partnership with INPEX Corporation, pursuant to the objectives of the 2009 LDC/INPEX Memorandum of Understanding and is available to Larrakia students through the LDC Distribution Policy.

The LSPP provides support for Larrakia families to purchase school supplies such as uniforms, book packs and stationery.

Through the LDC Distribution Policy the LSPP achieves a practical outcome for Larrakia students and their families, by focusing on a corner stone of the Larrakia Development Trust; helping Larrakia people and families close the gap on educational outcomes.

In addition to helping Larrakia students achieve their educational goals, the LSPP supports the development of a pool of positive role models and future leaders, to inspire other Larrakia students and demonstrate the successes that can be achieved through educational attainment.

Applications for term 1, 2017 are available now.

If you have any questions about the Larrakia School Participation Program or need help completing an application, please contact the LDC on (08) 8947 3455 or email applications@larrakia.com.au.

Applications and supporting documents can be submitted at our office, sent by post, or emailed (our preferred method is email). You will be notified when your application is received.

APPLICATIONS AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS SHOULD BE SENT TO:

By post: LSPP 2017, PO Box 37207, WINNELLIE NT 0821

By email: applications@larrakia.com.au, attention to LDC CEO.

Larrakia School Participation Program

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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- What is the LSPP?**
The LSPP was initiated by the Larrakia Development Corporation and INPEX Corporation, to help Larrakia families offset the beginning of year expenses for Larrakia students.
- How much is the payment worth?**
The LSPP provides Larrakia families up to the value of \$50 per eligible student in transition to year 3 and \$100 per eligible student in year 4 to year 12.
- Who is eligible for the LSPP?**
Larrakia students enrolled and attending Northern Territory or interstate schools are eligible for the LSPP. This includes students enrolled at government and non-government schools and home-educated students. It does not include non-Larrakia step-children or adopted children in Larrakia families.
- Where can the LSPP payment be used?**
The payment for Larrakia students enrolled in school can only be used through the school the student first attends at the beginning of the school year. The payment cannot be used at shopping centres, supermarkets, stationery stores, etc. Schools provide the goods and services that enrolled Larrakia students may purchase. Parents/students do not need to provide copies of a letter or any other documentation to access their payment and the Larrakia Development Corporation will confirm approved students directly with each school as well as with the parent/student.
- What can the back to school payment be used for?**

Included:	Not included:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Textbooks, • stationery including calculators, USBs, school diaries, etc, • uniforms including hats, book bags, etc, • elective subject/material fees, • student identification card, • school camps, • excursions, and, • elective activities. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • used for voluntary parent contributions, including donations to the school, • used for canteen purchases, • redeemed for cash, including refunds for purchased goods, • transferred between students, • transferred to another school, • returned to parents after Term 1 if they authorised the funds to be used for activities/ items to be purchased in Terms 2 to 4, • used to purchase goods and services from suppliers other than the school, • resource hire schemes, excluding refundable deposits, and, • year books.

School councils can decide the appropriate goods and services to offer to their school community. The goods and services must provide value-for-money and parents/students should be able to take possession of goods up to the prescribed value or access the equivalent value of services. Schools cannot use the payments for classroom supplies on behalf of parents/students nor charge any administration fees. It should be noted that a refund will

not be granted where the payment is used for goods or services which are not available until after Term 1 (e.g. a school camp in Term 3) if the student leaves the school in Term 2 or a scheduled camp is cancelled.

- **Is a voucher issued to the parent/student?**
No. It is not necessary for Larrakia families to produce any documentation to use the payment.
- **Does the payment have an expiry date?**
The LSPP must be used within the following timeframes:

Larrakia Student	Payment Scheme must be used by:
Transition (prep) to Year 12 students	End of Term 1

- **Can the LSPP payment be used for the following school year if it has a remaining balance?**
No. The LSPP payment expires as set out in the table above.
- **Does the payment have to be used all at once or, for example, can it be used for something worth \$20 in February and then for something else in March?**
The payment can be used multiple times and at different times to the total prescribed value as set out in the table above.
- **Can Larrakia students use the payment?**
No. Only Larrakia parents / guardians are permitted to make an application for the LSPP payment.
- **What happens if the Larrakia student changes school and the full payment has not been used?**
The payment – or the balance remaining – is not transferable to other schools. The payment must be used at the school where the student first enrolled and attended in Term 1 only.
- **What happens if the student already has a school uniform, books or stationery? What else can the payment be used for?**
The payment can be used for any essential school items available at the student’s school. The school should be contacted to discuss the options available, subject to the above table.
- **What is the School Record of Payment form?**
Schools must keep a record of the goods and services used by each parent/student. Schools may use the School Record of Payment form or schools can choose another preferred method of record keeping. Schools must provide a record of goods and services used by parents/students on request and is required to be sent to the Larrakia Development Corporation for acquittal and invoice payment purposes.
- **Is the payment taxable? Does it have to be claimed as income?**
No. The payment is not taxable and does not need to be included on an income tax statement.