



National Independent Private Schools Association

**SCHEDULE OF FEES 2024-25**

**CANDIDACY**

Application Fee for Regular or Distance Academic Schools - \$350

Application Fee for Therapeutic or Autism Schools/ Programs - \$650.00

Application Fee for International Schools - \$500.00

Application Fee for Both Autism and Therapeutic Certification - \$975.00

**DUES AND FEES**

Type of School	Dues	Additional Site	Student Assessment
Regular Academic	\$750	\$200 per site	\$2.00 per student for first 1000, \$1.00 thereafter to \$3500 maximum
Transitional Youth Program	\$1000	\$200 per site	\$2 per student for first 1,000, \$1 per student thereafter
Therapeutic or Autism	\$1750	\$200 per site	\$2.00 per student for first 1000, \$1.00 thereafter to \$3500 maximum
Therapeutic and Autism	\$2625	\$200 per site	\$2.00 per student for first 1000, \$1.00 thereafter to \$3500 maximum
Therapeutic (if Academically accredited by Cognia or MSA)	\$1000	\$200 per site	\$2.00 per student for first 1000, \$1.00 thereafter to \$3500 maximum
International Academic	\$2,250	\$200 per site	N/A

**Dues for ALL Programs/Schools must be paid by October 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. Failure to do so will result in an additional late fee of \$300 to any of the fees due listed above.**

### **CHARGES FOR THE ACCREDITATION AND CERTIFICATION PROCESSES**

Regular academic and distance education schools are accredited for a period of seven (7) years. Therapeutic schools and programs are accredited and certified for a period of five (5) years.

The certification fees are: Level I - \$975.00 • Level II – \$1250.00 • Level III - \$1500.00 • Level IV - \$1750.00.

All NIPSA schools and programs (if an academic program is offered) are required to undergo the academic accreditation process within three (3) years of becoming a candidate. Schools and programs that describe themselves as therapeutic are also required to undergo the therapeutic certification process within three (3) years of becoming a candidate school.

Schools or programs that have both academic and therapeutic programs must undergo both academic accreditation and therapeutic certification. Separate accreditation or certification is not allowed, however if a school or program is Cognia or MSA accredited, NIPSA will accept that and the school/ program may simply go through the NIPSA Therapeutic certification, as long as the academic accreditation is kept current. Therapeutic certification or accreditation by THE Joint Commission (formerly JCAHO), the Council on Accreditation (COA) or the Council for the Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) may be recognized by NIPSA. In such cases there will be no certification charges, but dues will be the same as given above.

While there are no academic accreditation fees, there are certification fees.

Schools and programs are responsible for the costs incurred by the visiting committee for each site including all meals, travel, lodging and miscellaneous charges.

*Schools and programs are responsible for costs incurred by individuals or teams for Candidacy, Gold Seal, Change of Owner, Change of/Additional Program, or Additional Site visits.*

### **ADDITIONAL CHARGES FOR INTERNATIONAL SCHOOLS**

International schools outside North America are also responsible to arrange business class air fare to and from the school, as well as hotel accommodations, meals, and any miscellaneous charges during and one day before and after the official visit to the school.