Year 7 Starter Pack

Applications for the Year 7 Starter Pack open at the start of Term 4 of each year. Applications close at the end of Term 1 in the following year.

What you need to know

Who is State Schools Relief?

State Schools Relief (SSR) is a not-for-profit organisation that works closely with all Victorian government schools. Each year, SSR provides material support, including school uniforms, to families experiencing financial hardship.

Eligibility

A student may receive a Starter Pack if they are eligible for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) and are commencing Year 7 at a government school.

This includes students whose parent or carer holds an eligible means-test concession card, such a Health Care Card, as well as students eligible under CSEF special consideration arrangements including:

- Asylum seekers
- Temporary Protection visa holders
- Humanitarian or Safe Haven visa holders who are not permanent residents
- Students in out-of-home care, including kinship care, foster care and permanent care.

How eligibility is confirmed

Schools are responsible for confirming eligibility for a Starter Pack and submitting the application on behalf of eligible students. Families cannot apply to SSR directly. If you are unsure whether your child may be eligible, please contact your school.

Contents of Starter Pack

The package contains the following items:

- 2 top items (i.e. short sleeved shirt / long sleeved shirt)
- 1 bottom item (i.e. pants / trousers / shorts)
- 1 outerwear item (i.e. jacket / puffer jacket / rain jacket)
- 1 pair of shoes

Please note: Shoes must be requested in centimetres (cm)

Cost to families

- Where SSR is unable to supply a uniform item that contains a logo (due to contractual agreements with uniform suppliers) students will receive an $85.00 voucher in addition to the plain items requested to subsidise the purchase of the items from the preferred school uniform supplier.
- Vouchers can be redeemed at the preferred school uniform supplier.

Please note

- Vouchers have an expiry date and must be used before this date.
- Vouchers are not transferable and cannot be exchanged for cash. SSR does not make cash payments to schools or parents/families.

Uniform package and/or voucher delivery

- All items and/or vouchers provided by SSR will be delivered directly to your child's school.
- Your child's school will then contact you to arrange collection.

What you need to do

1. If you are eligible for CSEF, please speak to your school about applying for a Year 7 Starter Pack.
2. Complete the SSR "Year 7 Starter Pack Order Form" and return it to your school.
3. Your child's school will submit the application to SSR on your behalf.

Further information

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact your school who will be able to assist you.

Privacy

When you apply, your child's school, State Schools Relief and the Victorian Department of Education collect and store some personal information to check eligibility and deliver support. It's only shared with staff who need it, and is kept safe under privacy laws and our privacy policies. You can ask your child's school to see or update your details anytime.

For more information, see the State Schools Relief Privacy Policy (stateschoolsrelief.org.au/privacy-policy) and the Department of Education Privacy Policy (vic.gov.au/department-of-education-privacy-policy).