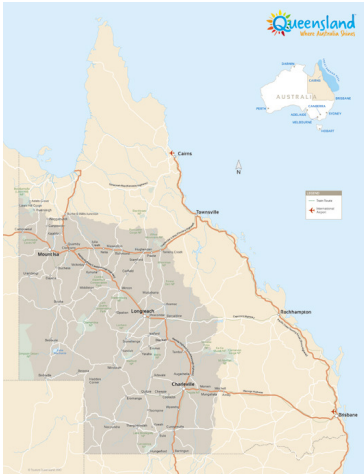


# Outback Education Tour Subsidy

## Objective



The *Outback Education Tour Subsidy Scheme* has been developed to encourage schools to take Year 6 and 7 Queensland students to visit Queensland's Outback, to learn about the history and heritage of our State. This scheme is offered to schools located outside the boundary of Queensland's Outback.

The "Outback" is defined as the Local Government Areas of:

### North West Queensland

Flinders, Richmond, McKinlay, Cloncurry and Mount Isa

### Central West Queensland

Barcaldine, Blackall Tambo, Longreach, Winton, Barcoo, Boulia and Diamantina

### South and Far West Queensland

Murweh, Paroo, Quilpie and Bulloo

## Funding

This scheme operates as a subsidy which is paid direct to schools after they have met the eligibility requirements for funding. 50% of the subsidy will be paid upon approval of an application and the remaining 50% will be paid upon the receipt of a completed survey after the excursion. The payment is not meant to cover all costs. Funds are allocated to schools on a per student basis at rates varying according to round trip distance travelled. Funds are to be used to reduce the costs for individual students.

The subsidy rates are as follows:

Distance travelled from school (round trip)	Funds allocated per student
500–999 km	\$50
1,000–1,499 km	\$75
1,500–1,999 km	\$100
2,000 km and over	\$130

As there is a limited amount of funding, schools are encouraged to apply as early as possible. Each application will be dealt with in order of receipt until funds are exhausted.

## Eligibility Requirements

- To be eligible for the subsidy, schools must be recognised by Tourism Queensland as being schools that are located outside the Outback region.
- Participating students must be enrolled at the school, and be part of an excursion group whose principal purpose for travelling to the Outback is learning about the history and heritage of Queensland.
- An eligible school may apply for the subsidy more than one time per calendar year. However, each child attending an eligible school may only attend one excursion with that school each calendar year.
- Bookings must be made with transportation providers prior to submitting an application. Booking confirmations must be included as part of the application.
- Itineraries must be provided with applications. Suggested itineraries can be found in the Queensland Outback Education Handbook ([www.tq.com.au/outbackeducation](http://www.tq.com.au/outbackeducation)), though use of a suggested itinerary is not mandatory.
- The excursion itinerary must ensure that students spend the majority of their time in Queensland's Outback and all major activities must take place in the region.
- Schools granted funding are requested to submit a completed survey and report or presentation of their tour to Tourism Queensland within 60 days of the completion of the excursion.

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## Terms and Conditions

- All participating schools must ensure that school excursion consent forms are completed in accordance with the Department of Education and Training requirements. Refer to education policy and procedures register SCM-PR-002: School Excursions.
- All participating schools must ensure that students and teachers have adequate insurance protection for public liability and personal injury.
- All participating schools accept that Tourism Queensland (TQ), the Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation (DEEDI), the Department of Education and Training (DET), and Outback Queensland Tourism Association (OQTA) may use the participating school's name and excursion details for their promotional and publicity purposes.
- All participating schools grant TQ a non-exclusive, royalty-free, perpetual, transferable, irrevocable right to use, reproduce, publish and display any reports, imagery, videos or other copyright material, resulting from the school excursion throughout the world in any media, including the right to sublicense to others at TQ's discretion.
- All participating schools release, discharge and indemnify TQ, DEEDI, DET and OQTA and their officers and employees from and against any claim (including any claim, action, proceeding, demand, liability, obligation, costs (including legal costs), losses, damages and expenses) which may be brought against or made upon or incurred by any of them in connection with an excursion in connection with the Outback Education Tour Subsidy Scheme.
- Schools must comply with the Department of Education and Training's policy on using personal information of students, including photos (LGS-PR-001).  
<http://education.qld.gov.au/strategic/eppr/legal/lgspr001/index.html>, or other relevant consents.

# Outback Education Tour Subsidy

## Application Form

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- Separate forms are to be completed if a school is applying for more than one excursion.
- One form is to be completed per school if more than one school is involved in a single excursion group.
- Please include a copy of the excursion itinerary and transportation booking confirmation with this form.

**Schools should read the Eligibility Requirements and Terms and Conditions carefully before completing this form.**

Name of School: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Facsimile: \_\_\_\_\_

School Principal: \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher in charge of tour: \_\_\_\_\_

Email (contact person for tour): \_\_\_\_\_

School email: \_\_\_\_\_

Round trip distance (in km): \_\_\_\_\_

Duration of visit to outback, Arrive: \_\_\_\_\_ Depart: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of eligible students on excursion: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of adults accompanying excursion: \_\_\_\_\_

Please enter the number of students in each year level travelling to the Outback: Year 6: \_\_\_\_\_ Year 7: \_\_\_\_\_

How/Where did you hear about the subsidy scheme? \_\_\_\_\_

I have read and agree to the Outback Education Tour Subsidy Scheme Terms and Conditions:  Yes

I agree to provide Tourism Queensland with a completed survey and report or presentation of the tour:  Yes

I agree to provide Tourism Queensland the right to use, reproduce, publish and display any report or presentation in any media at no cost:  Yes

Signature of Principal: \_\_\_\_\_

Privacy Notice: Information on this Form is collected by Tourism Queensland for the purpose of administering the Outback Education Tour Subsidy Scheme. Information on this form may also be provided to the Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation, the Department of Education and Training, or the Queensland Outback Tourism Association for that same purpose. Any personal information contained in this form will be used only for the purpose of administering the Outback Education Tour Subsidy program, and will not otherwise be disclosed without your consent unless where authorised or required by law.

Please complete all details and forward to Outback Education Tour Subsidy Scheme

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