



American Heritage & American Academy Lower School Explanation of Fees 2020-2021

In an effort to simplify the billing process, we have consolidated all school fees, and you will be billed once in late June. The \$550 Flat School Fee will cover the following:

Grades K-5: This fee covers some digital content including digital textbooks and online programs. This fee also covers all other classroom and lab materials/consumables used during the year. You will need to purchase print textbooks, workbooks, and novels through our online bookstore.

Grades PK-K: This fee covers consumable and course materials used throughout the year.

PTO Dues and Classroom Party Fees: Lower School students have 6 classroom parties per year organized by the PTO. Each Lower School Student is also charged annual dues that are included in this fee.

Technology: This covers computer licenses for database subscriptions, which students can access on campus and from home. Included are student subscriptions such as: STAR and Accelerated Reader, Discovery Education, and all online textbook platforms. Funds are also used to maintain current hardware and software needs to support teaching and learning across campus and provide for campus-wide broadband Wi-Fi.

Security: Includes safety enhancements. Among these are: the addition of (2) armed police officers and (2) armed full-time security staff on the premises during school days; the additional security staff for the checkpoint areas for the backpack protocol; the installation of perimeter fencing with self-contained alarm and camera system; the construction of a security office including the latest surveillance equipment; installation of bullet resistant glass in all doors and classrooms; expert training in self-defense for all faculty members; purchasing of trauma kits for all classrooms and expert training for all faculty in the use of these kits; purchase of card swipe for electronic access to all elevators and exterior building entrances.

Additional fees you might see on your monthly statement include but are not limited to bus, cafeteria, PE tennis/soccer, tutoring, speech, spirit wear, lost library books, lost sports uniforms and extended care charges. You may also be required to purchase print books through our online bookstore (<https://bnck-12.com/ahschoolb>)