

This is a consolidation of what has been done to calculate Fee Waiver Thresholds.

Fee Waiver Thresholds

1. The Full Fee Waiver threshold is established annually based on the appropriate Statistics Canada Low Income Cut-Offs Before Tax, adjusted by the average Consumer Price Index (CPI) for Alberta. For the current school year, we will consider the previous year's pre-tax income for the applicant (for example for 2025/2026 we would use 2024 information).
2. The appropriate Statistics Canada Low Income document being used is *Low income cut-offs (1992 base) before tax* and referencing the latest figures, for calendar 2025. The 'Community size' column 'Rural areas outside CMA or CA' is used for outside of Grande Prairie area; and the column 'between 30,000 and 99,999 inhabitants' is used in the Grande Prairie area.
3. These numbers are adjusted upward by the average of the annual CPI adjustment for Alberta as indicated in *Statistics Canada Consumer Price Index (CPI), by province (Alberta)*.
4. The 50% Fee Waiver threshold will be set at four-thirds of the 100% Fee Waiver Threshold.

Summary of Calculations for Grande Prairie Area:			
No of People in Household (in Grande Prairie area)	Low Income Cut-off 2022	Low Income Cut-off 2023 (CPI 5.37%)	50% Threshold
1 person	22,784	24,008	32,011
2 persons	28,364	29,887	39,849
3 persons	34,870	36,744	48,992
4 persons	42,338	44,606	59,475
5 persons	48,019	50,599	67,466
6 persons	54,157	57,064	76,085
7 or more persons	60,296	63,529	84,705

Summary of Calculations for Rural Areas:			
No of People in Household (in Grande Prairie area)	Low Income Cut-off 2022	Low Income Cut-off 2023 (CPI 5.37%)	50% Threshold
1 person	18,325	19,309	25,746
2 persons	22,814	24,037	32,050
3 persons	28,046	29,551	39,402
4 persons	34,053	35,886	47,848
5 persons	38,621	40,706	54,274
6 persons	43,559	45,907	61,210
7 or more persons	48,496	51,109	68,146