

Fee Information and Overview

Quick Facts:

- LSMSA is a public secondary school that does not charge tuition.
- All fees paid to LSMSA are related to either the residential and food costs or to the costs of providing certain services or supplies to students.
- The school loans textbooks to the students for each course in which they enroll. Only if your student does not return a book, loses a book, or damages a book, do you have to pay for it.
- Students do not purchase separate meal plans. All students are able to eat all meals in the cafeteria.

Academic and Room and Board Fees Chart

	Fall	Spring	Yearly Total	Refundable?
Room and Board¹	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$1000.00	No ²
Computer Use Fee	\$12.50	\$12.50	\$25.00	No ²
Science Lab Fee	\$12.50	\$12.50	\$25.00	No ²
Facility Use Fee	\$10.00		\$10.00	No ²
Security Deposit Fee³	\$140.00	New Students Only		Yes ⁴
Total	\$675.00	\$525.00	\$1200.00	

¹ May be reduced if you apply and qualify for a fee reduction or waiver. See section on Fee Reductions and Waivers.

² Room and Board, Computer Use, Science Lab, and Facility Use Fees are non-refundable after the first day of class each semester.

³ The Security Deposit Fee is required for new students only.

⁴ Upon graduation or leaving the school, the Security Deposit Fee is refundable less any costs or damages or other financial obligations to the school.

Payment of Academic and Room and Board Fees:

- Fees are payable by semester - due on August 1st and December 1st.
 - Failure to pay fees will result in dismissal of the student from the school.
- These fees can be paid via PayPal on our website (you do not have to have a PayPal account to use PayPal) or by check or money order. Make checks payable to LSMSA.

Fee Reductions and Waivers

- The school does provide for fee reductions and waivers for Room and Board.
- The application may be found on the LSMSA website and in this guidebook.
 - Regardless of income, applications MUST be completed in order to be considered for a reduction or waiver.
- When submitting the application and associated documents, KEEP A COPY.
- **Application deadlines are: Summer – May 1, Fall – June 15, Spring – November 15**
 - Only one application needs to be submitted per academic year.
 - Note: the academic year begins with the fall semester.
- The school recognizes that there are many families that do not qualify for the fee reduction or waiver, but still need assistance in meeting the financial obligations. If this applies to you, contact the business office **BEFORE** fees are due.
 - Derek Little, Director of Finance and Operations - Phone: 318-357-2510; Email: dlittle@lsmsa.edu
 - Carisa Blade, Administrative Assistant, Finance - Phone: 318-357-2500; Email: cblade@lsmsa.edu

Art Fees

- All students enrolled in any “AR” course will have to pay **\$25 per course, per semester** up to a maximum of three courses.
- These fees are not subject to a reduction or waiver.
- Payments are due after the add date each semester and must be paid before the date to drop a course with a “W.” Please wait to pay these fees until billed.

Additional Expenses

Student Activity Fee:

- All LSMSA students pay a Student Activity Fee, even if eligible for fee reduction or fee waiver of Room and Board Fees. Student Activity Fees cover the following expenses:
 - **Student Activities (\$90)** - covers all student activities including: 4 major dances, cookouts, snacks, athletics and recreational activities, and other educational and social programming.
 - **LSMSA Yearbook (\$60), Newspaper (\$10), and Folio (\$5)** - helps with cost of publications provided to all students.
 - **Graduation Fee (\$58)** - SENIORS - covers cost of cap, gown, tassel, diploma and diploma cover.

Student Activity Fees Chart

	Fall	Spring	Yearly Total
Sophomores and Juniors	\$82.50	\$82.50	\$165
Seniors	\$111.50	\$111.50	\$223

Payment of Student Activity Fees:

- Fees are payable by semester - due on August 1st and December 1st.
- These fees are not subject to a reduction or waiver.
- If a student withdraws from the school, a portion of this fee will be refundable. The amount of the refund will be based on the date of withdrawal.
- These fees can be paid via PayPal on our website or by check or money order. If paying by check or money order, **please submit a separate check/money order for this fee**. Make checks payable to LSMSA.

PSAT Fee:

- All LSMSA sophomores and juniors will take the PSAT and must pay a \$20 fee to cover the cost of the test.
- This fee is required, even if a student has already taken the PSAT.

PSAT Fee Chart

	Fall	Spring	Yearly Total
Sophomores and Juniors	\$20	N/A	\$20
Seniors	N/A	N/A	\$0

Payment of PSAT Fees:

- Fees are due on August 1st.
- These fees are not subject to a reduction or waiver.
- If a student withdraws from the school prior to the time that the PSAT tests are ordered, this fee will be refundable.
- These fees can be paid via PayPal on our website or by check or money order. If paying by check or money order, **please submit a separate check/money order for this fee**. Make checks payable to LSMSA.

All fees may be mailed to:

LSMSA - Registrar's Office

715 University Pkwy, Natchitoches, LA 71457