

Frequently Asked Questions

Aspect ILA Perth, City Centre School

Background of the school

› **When was the school / building established / built?**

The school was established in 1997.

› **Briefly describe the style of the building (modern, Victorian etc...)**

The school occupies a 2 level modern building.

› **Where is it situated in the city?**

The school is located on the western side of Perth's Central Business District, only 5-10 minutes on the free RedCat bus from the city centre.

› **Bus links to town – what numbers?**

Perth has numerous bus routes and 4 train lines that connect the suburbs to the city. Travel within the city centre is free of charge.

› **Travelling time by bus from homestay?**

The average student commute (from homestay to the school) is 35 minutes, then 5-10 minutes on the free inner city RedCat bus.

› **Time on foot (if applicable)?**

There are many hostels and student lodges located in the city. Students can use the free inner city RedCat service to get from the residence to the school.

› **How often?**

RedCat buses run every 5 minutes. Other buses and trains run every 5-20 minutes, depending on the time of day and the day of the week.

› **Price of bus pass?**

Standard weekly: AU\$ 17 - 25.50
Monthly passes are also available.

› **Price one-way to town?**

A single fare ranges from AU\$ 0.80 - 2.90.

› **How far from rail station?**

An 8 minute walk from the school.

› **How far are the premises from a bank / money exchange bureau?**

1 minute walk.

› **How far are the premises from the nearest post**

office?

Less than 5 minutes walk.

› **What kinds of shops are situated near the school and how far away are they?**

There is a wide variety of eating places all located within a 5 minutes walk from the school. These include outdoor cafés, lunch bars and international food halls. Clothes shops, gift shops and various other shops are nearby.

› **Please confirm the postal address where students can receive their mail:**

Student name
C/O Aspect ILA Perth
1325 Hay Street
West Perth, Western Australia 6005
Australia

Background to the city

› **What is the population of the city?**

The population of Western Australia is 1.8 million, of which 1.3 million live in Perth.

› **General / historic / touristic / seaside etc?**

Perth is located on the banks of the Swan River and is only 20 minutes away from some of Australia's most famous beaches. The capital of Western Australia, Perth, enjoys a temperate climate all year round that is suitable for outdoor activities. King's park is Perth's most visited attraction. Here people can enjoy a birds eye view of the city's skyline, the Perth Hills and the Swan River.

School facilities

› **How many classrooms in total?**

18 classrooms.

› **Which other organisations will be there ?**

None.



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› **Size of the classrooms? (Large, spacious, airy, light, compact...)**

Our classrooms are air-conditioned, airy, bright and spacious.

› **What are the facilities in classrooms?**

Whiteboard. CD or cassette player, TV/ VCRs and OHP are also available.

› **What kind of desks?**

Separate chairs and desks in all classrooms.

› **Computer room available?**

Yes, computers have software for self-study and classwork as well as all free Internet access for students. Computers can be used in foreign languages.

› **Library available?**

We have a library in the school with text books, self-study materials including exam preparation materials, magazines and fiction books, which are available for the student to borrow.

› **Is there a café?**

There is no café on the premises due to the location of the school and proximity to food halls and cafés.

› **Are there any vending machines?**

There is a vending machine with snacks, a drink machine as well as a microwave oven for student use in the student lounge.

› **Is there a smoking area?**

Yes, at the back of the building smoking is permitted.

› **Is there a church / mosque nearby?**

There are places of worship in the surrounding areas accessible by public transport.

› **Are there any common rooms?**

Yes. We have a student lounge where the vending machines and kitchen are located.

› **How big are they?**

The common room is used for graduation ceremonies and parties. It can hold up to 100 people.

› **What facilities have they got?**

A kitchen, activity notice boards, vending machines, microwave, tables and chairs. The library is equipped with 3 computers for private academic study, a listening lab and full lending facilities.

Sports facilities

› **What outdoor sports facilities are there?**

Public parks are used. The Activities Coordinator can help with organising outdoor sports events.

› **Is there a gym?**

Students can join the local gym for indoor sports. There is no gym in the school.

› **What is the gym like?**

The local gym has a weight room and exercise room.

› **Is there a swimming pool?**

Yes.

Host family accommodation

› **How many beds in total?**

We have 100 families on our host family list. Many can take more than one student at a time.

› **How many bathrooms?**

Usually there are one or two in total. Students must share the bathroom with their host family.

› **How many toilets?**

Same as above.

› **How many showers?**

Same as above.

› **Has each room a bed, desk, and wardrobe per student?**

Yes.

› **Is bed linen provided?**

Yes.

› **How often is it changed?**

Once a week.

› **Are towels provided?**

Yes.



› **How often are they changed?**

Twice a week.

› **Is soap provided?**

No.

› **When are the rooms cleaned and how often?**

Students are responsible for cleaning their rooms.

› **Is there a laundrette?**

Students may use family's washer with permission.

› **If there are no laundry facilities on site, where is the nearest public laundrette, and how far away is it?**

Depends on family. Usually within walking distance.

› **Do all bedrooms have locks and a master key?**

No.

› **What kind of Security System is there?**

Depends on the family.

Hostel accommodation

› **How many beds in total?**

We have beds available in the student residence hostel which are reserved on a case-by-case basis when the booking is made. This is a residence hostel so there are non-Aspect ILA residents as well.

› **How many bathrooms?**

All rooms have shared bathrooms (ratio depends on number of guests in a hostel. In general, bathrooms and facilities are shared with 3-6 other people.

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› **Is bed linen provided?**

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› **How often is it changed?**

Once a week.

› **Are towels provided?**

No.

› **How often are they changed?**

Student is responsible for washing towels.

› **Is soap provided?**

No.

› **When are the rooms cleaned and how often?**

Weekly.

› **Is there a laundrette?**

Yes (coin operated).

› **If there are no laundry facilities on site, where is the nearest public laundrette, and how far away is it?**

There is a public laundrette within walking distance.

› **Do all bedrooms have locks and a master key?**

Yes.

› **Is there a safe leaders / the CD could have access to?**

No.

› **What kind of Security System is there?**

Doors are locked at all times.

Excursions

› **Where are the excursion pick-up / drop-off points?**

Activities generally start from the school and end there as well.