# CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF) - DAIRY ASSISTANCE

## Program Background

As part of the Victorian Government’s dairy assistance package the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) is being extended to students currently enrolled in government and non-government schools whose parents own, share-farm or lease a dairy farm business; or those people whose primary occupation is working on a dairy farm.

## Who is eligible?

Students currently enrolled at the start of Term 3, 2016 in government and non-government schools where one or both parents:

- own an operating dairy farm
- are share farmers on a property primarily operating as a dairy farm
- hold a lease for an operating dairy farm
- work as an employee on an operating dairy farm and this is their main source of employment.

Evidence may include:

- a dairy industry license issued by Dairy Food Safety Victoria (DFSV)
- lease documentation
- share farming contract
- agreement with a dairy production/supply company
- a letter from an employer
- a statutory declaration stating the family’s main business or employment is on an operating dairy farm (in cases where other forms of evidence are not available)*.
- Confirmation from a kindergarten that a younger sibling has been approved for the dairy Kindergarten Fee Subsidy on the basis of being an eligible dairy farming family (as above)

* Current milk statements can be provided along with a statutory declaration stating the family’s main business or employment is on an operating dairy farm.

Families who received the means-tested CSEF payment are also eligible. However families that have previously qualified for the CSEF Drought assistance are not able to also access the CSEF Dairy assistance funding.

## How much is the dairy assistance payment?

A one-off amount of $375 per student will be paid to schools.

## Do parent’s need to apply for this assistance?

Yes. Parents/legal guardians and independent secondary students will need to apply for this assistance via the Dairy Assistance Application Form along with evidence as requested by 18 November 2016.