

PROPERTY AND MEDICAL INSURANCE INFORMATION

The Department of Education does not provide personal accident insurance nor does it provide cover for a student's lost/stolen/damaged private property.

If private property is lost/stolen/damaged, the school is not insured to replace these items nor can it buy private property replacement items from public monies. The responsibility for the replacement of private property lies with parents. Family or personal insurance is therefore an essential consideration for parents to cover these situations.

Parents of students in public schools are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students as well as the replacement of lost/stolen/damaged personal items. The cost of an ambulance must also be bourne by families. Student accident policies are available from insurers. These provide medical cover including ambulance costs. Parents may wish to consider purchasing such a policy.

Insurance is also available for personal items such as computers, mobile phones etc. Most companies supplying computers are able to identify insurance companies which cover these types of items.

Please be aware that some household insurance policies do not cover personal items so parents will need to be explicitly aware of what is and what is not covered by their existing policies.