

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.



Aspect
International Language Academies

› **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.