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Professional Experience in Isolated and Rural Schools (PEIRS) Program

Information for Students

What is the PEIRS Program?

The PEIRS Program encourages pre-service teachers to undertake their final placement in participating rural and isolated schools by providing financial support for accommodation and travel.

The intention of the PEIRS Program is to support students who must relocate to undertake their placement.

What am I entitled to under this program?

Travel costs

For most placements, 3 return trips by car or 2 return flights from the Bass Strait Islands from your home to the location of the placement.

Accommodation

Accommodation costs are covered for you. The type of accommodation would depend on availability and location. It may be in the form of DECYP housing, a Homestay arrangement, or private rental organised on your behalf and paid directly by the participating school.

Welcome Package

A Welcome package of basic food supplies may also be provided depending on the style of accommodation.

Interested in finding out more about the PEIRS Program?

Discuss your interest in a rural or isolated placement with the Professional Experience Office at University Tasmania via email professional.experience@educ.utas.edu.au or phone (03) 6324 3794 to determine whether you would be eligible for PEIRS support.

Once your placement is confirmed, contact the school to discuss PEIRS support.

More detailed information is available in the [Professional Experience in Isolated and Rural Schools Program](#). Following is a list of participating schools in the Professional Experience in Isolated and Rural Schools Program.

Professional Experience in Isolated and Rural Schools (PEIRS) Program – Participating Schools

LEARNING (NORTH)

Bicheno Primary School	Mountain Heights School	Stanley Primary School
Bridport Primary School	Redpa Primary School	St Helens District High School
Campbell Town District High School	Ringarooma Primary School	St Marys District School
Flinders Island District High School	Rosebery District High School	Strahan Primary School
Forest Primary School	Scottsdale High School	Wilmot Primary School
King Island District High School	Scottsdale Primary School	Winnaleah District High School
Mole Creek Primary School	Smithton Primary School	Zeehan Primary School

LEARNING (SOUTH)

Bothwell District High School	Glen Huon Primary School	Tasman District School
Cygnet Primary School	Glenora District School	Triabunna District School
Dover District School	Oatlands District High School	Westerway Primary School
Dunalley Primary School	Ouse District School	
Geeveston Primary School	Swansea Primary School	