



2026-2027 Fee Guide

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A flexible, cost-effective American High School Diploma pathway for South African families

1. How to Use This Guide

This guide brings together the key Kairos Academy SA and HomeLife Academy fees to help you understand which support pathway and fees may apply before enrolling or re-enrolling. As Kairos Academy SA oversees the payment to HomeLife Academy on behalf of families, families are invoiced in South African Rand, using the exchange rate applicable on the date of purchase and invoicing.

Families remain responsible for choosing and purchasing their own curriculum, online programmes, books, tutors, activities, or other subject materials. Resource costs depend on your family's choices and are not included in the enrollment fees.

Every family's situation and choices are different. This guide will help identify which fees are relevant to your child's specific pathway.

2. How Kairos assists you

Through Kairos	Why it matters
Rand invoicing	Kairos handles HomeLife Academy payments and invoices South African families in Rand.
Family-based enrollment	Through Kairos, families pay an annual family enrollment fee (thus, not per student).
Shared shipment	Kairos' group shipment option is significantly more cost-effective than individual international shipping.
South African context	Guidance is shaped around South African school requirements, tertiary expectations, and local family realities.
Transfer record support	Kairos helps evaluate, prepare, and support the transfer of previous Grade 9-12 records.
Applecore guidance & support	Kairos helps families understand and manage HLA's Applecore recordkeeping system.
Planning & transcript support	Kairos supports subject planning, credit tracking, transcript reviews, and graduation readiness.
Community & communication	Families are supported through Kairos communication channels, resources, webinars, and guidance.

No monthly Kairos or HomeLife Academy school fees. Fees are annually once-off per enrollment, re-enrollment, or selected service. Families retain freedom of curriculum and resource choice.

3. Choose Your Support Pathway

Some families only need the core enrollment pathway, while others value additional planning, Applecore, transcript, transfer, or Grade 12 support. Use the matrix below as a quick overview; the fee summaries follow on the next page.

Pathway	Best for	Core enroll / re-enroll	Applecore Admin	Planning consult	Transfer support	Grade 12 support
Kairos Core	Confident families managing their own planning and records.	✓				
Kairos Core+	Families wanting Applecore admin help.	✓	✓			
Guided Start	New families wanting a strong planning foundation.	✓	✓	✓		
Kairos Advantage	Established high school families wanting admin support and a focused planning check-in.	✓	✓	✓		
Transfer Bridge	Students switching from CAPS, Cambridge, online schools, or other systems <i>and who already completed a Kairos Planning Consultation prior to enrolling.</i>	✓	Optional	Optional	✓	
Transfer Bridge+	Students switching from CAPS, Cambridge, online schools, or other systems.	✓	Optional	✓	✓	
Senior Success	Grade 12 students preparing for final graduation and documentation.	✓	Optional	Optional		✓
Transferring Senior	Grade 12 students who is switching from CAPS, Cambridge, online schools, or homeschool to graduate through us.	✓	Optional	Optional	✓	✓

Tip: If more than one pathway seems relevant, Kairos will help confirm the most practical option when preparing your personalised fee estimate. You may select individual support services separately at any time.

4. Pathway Summaries and Fees Estimates

You retain flexibility and may choose different support options for different children. The enrollment or re-enrollment fee is payable only once per family per academic year. **ESTIMATE NOTE:** The totals below assume one student wherever per-student fees apply. They exclude curriculum and resources, late fees, optional add-ons and special documentation costs.

Pathway	Typical Fit	Estimated Fees	What is included?
Starting or Continuing with Kairos			
Kairos Core	Confident families who need the essential Kairos and HLA enrollment structure.	New: \$200 + R1,000 per family Re-enrolling: \$190 + R450 per family	• Kairos and HLA enrollment or re-enrollment • Kairos guidance and community support • Academic-calendar guidance where needed • HLA enrollment administered through Kairos
Kairos Core+	Families who want Core together with Applecore administrative support.	New: \$200 + R1,750 Re-enrolling: \$190 + R1,200	• Everything included in Kairos Core • Applecore Admin Support for one student for the academic year
Guided Start	New families who want clarity, sound planning and administrative support from the beginning. Recommended for new high-school families and for Gr 7-8 readiness.	New: \$200 + R3,050	• New-family enrollment (everything under Kairos Core) • Applecore Admin Support for one student • Kairos Graduation Plan Consultation (1 hr. + 25-page report) for one student
Kairos Advantage	Established high-school families who want admin support and a focused annual planning check-in.	Re-enrolling: \$190 + R1,600	• Annual family re-enrollment • Applecore Admin Support for one student • 30-minute Calibrate Consultation for one student
Transferring during High School			
Transfer Bridge	Students transferring previous high-school records who completed a Kairos Graduation Plan Consultation before enrolling.	New: \$350 + R1,000	• New-family enrollment (everything under Kairos Core) • Transfer and transcription of up to three years of previous high-school records for one student
Transfer Bridge+	Students transferring from CAPS, Cambridge, the GED, another school, an online programme or a previous homeschool programme who still require planning support.	New: \$350 + R2,300	• New-family enrollment (everything under Kairos Core) • Transfer and transcription of up to three years of previous high-school (Gr 9-11) records for one student • Kairos Graduation Plan Consultation (1 hr. + 25-page report) for one student
Grade 12 and Graduation*			
Senior Success	Re-enrolling Grade 12 students preparing for final graduation and documentation.	Re-enrolling: \$310 + R1,200	• Annual family re-enrollment (everything under Kairos Core) plus Senior Fee • HLA Graduation Package and Senior Book • Kairos+ Grade 12 Transcript Review • Kairos Class of 2027 guidance and relevant webinars • Graduation-package shipment within South Africa
Transferring Senior	New Grade 12 students transferring from CAPS, Cambridge, an online school or homeschool to graduate through Kairos and HLA.	New: \$525 + R1,750	• New-family enrollment (everything under Kairos Core) plus Senior Fee • Transfer and transcription of up to three years of previous records • HLA Graduation Package and Senior Book • Kairos+ Grade 12 Transcript Review • Kairos Class of 2027 guidance and relevant webinars • Graduation-package shipment from the States to within South Africa

*** IMPORTANT FOR GRADE 12 FAMILIES:** To avoid the HLA late senior enrollment fee, complete enrollment within these timeframes:

Alpha calendar: before 15 May | US calendar: before 15 December

Fees valid as of 24 August 2026. You will receive an invoice after enrollment based on your choices, payable within 7 days

5. Core Enrollment and Student Fees

5.1 Enrollment and Re-enrollment

Fee type	Fee
First-time enrollment	\$200 per family + R1,000 registration fee
Re-enrollment through Kairos	\$190 per family + R450 registration fee
Late enrollment / re-enrollment ¹	Normal enrollment or re-enrollment fee + R300 per family

¹ Late enrollment periods: ALPHA Calendar: 1 December to 15 August. US Calendar: 16 July to 15 March. The late enrollment fee applies if enrollment and/or payment is made during the stipulated late periods. If you are unsure which calendar applies, Kairos will confirm this during the enrollment process.

5.2 Transfer and Transcription

This applies to students in Grades 9-12 transferring previous school or homeschool records to HomeLife Academy. The process includes gathering and submitting records to HLA. Kairos also supplies a homeschool records template that can support the transferring of credits process.

A transferring student that did early credits (in science, social studies, or math (e.g., Algebra I), can transfer a maximum of two (2) credits before being charged a transfer fee.

Fee type	Fee
Transfer and Transcription Fee	\$150 per student for up to 3 years of transferring records

5.3 Grade 12 Senior Fee and Shipment

The Senior Fee covers the Grade 12 senior processing through HomeLife Academy + Kairos Grade 12 support:

- A student specific Kairos+ Grade 12 Transcript Review
- Senior guidance,
- Senior webinars,
- And general support.

Student type / item	Fee
Existing or re-enrolling Grade 12 student ² • <i>ALPHA calendar: before 5 May</i> • <i>US calendar: before 5 Dec</i>	\$120 per student
Newly enrolled Grade 12 student	\$175 per student
Late re-enrollment: re-enrolling Grade 12 student • <i>ALPHA calendar: after 5 May</i> • <i>US calendar: after 5 Dec</i>	\$170 per student
Graduation package shipment through Kairos within South Africa ³	R750

² Enrollment with payment to be finalized before these dates to prevent the penalty fee.

³ The R750 shipment option is available for families shipping to a South African address. Individual international shipping is also available and is estimated at \$210 or more, depending on *shipment* location.

6. Kairos+ Extra Support Services

Kairos+ services can be added where a family needs additional planning, administrative, transcript, documentation, or phase assessment support.

6.1 Consultation and Planning Support

Service	Fee	Best for
15-minute Kick-Start Consultation	R150	A focused question, quick direction, or first step.
30-minute Calibrate Consultation	R400	More detailed guidance, upcoming-year plan review, university pathway support, or decision support.
Graduation Plan Consultation	R1,300	Grade 7-8 high school readiness, high school graduation planning, subject choices, graduation direction, transfer planning, and tertiary alignment. Includes a 60-minute consultation and a detailed personalised report, typically around 20-25 pages.

6.2 Applecore, Templates, Transcript Reviews, and Phase Assessments

Service	Fee	Purpose
Kairos+ Applecore Admin Support	R750 per student per academic year	Grades, attendance, Education Plan upload, and basic Applecore record support.
HLA Applecore Grade reporting	\$25/semester per student	Upload of your reported semester results per student
Subject Record Management Template	R140 per template	Course description and assessment summary support per subject/activity.
Grade 9 Transcript Review	R300 per student	South African-context review of credits, subject choices, gaps, and planning.
Grade 10 Transcript Review	R450 per student	South African-context review of credits, subject choices, gaps, and planning.
Grade 11 Transcript Review	R600 per student	South African-context review of credits, subject choices, gaps, and planning.
Grade 12 Transcript Review	Included	Included through the Senior Fee where applicable.
A second Grade 12 Transcript Review	R750 per student	For additional review after updates, subject changes, or further planning adjustments.
Grade 3 Phase Assessment	R1,200	Review of submitted evidence, age-appropriate feedback, and written phase assessment report.
Grade 6 Phase Assessment	R1,400	Review of submitted evidence, age-appropriate feedback, and written phase assessment report.
Grade 9 Phase Assessment	TBC	Review of submitted evidence, age-appropriate feedback, and written phase assessment report.

7. Additional Administrative and Documentation Fees

The following documentation are available at no additional cost, and can be ordered through your myHLA and Request Manager³:

- Confirmation of Enrollment
- SAQA verification Letter
- Proof of Enrollment
- Official Transcripts
- Good Student Certificates
- Recommendation Letters
- Other letters generated by HLA,

³ Shipping fees and additional services may apply

Kairos frequently provide letters to our students travelling abroad as needed for visa applications

Further administrative and documentation fees may apply. Most Kairos families will not need most of these documents / services. These fees apply only in specific administrative, documentation, graduation, or international document situations.

7.1 Account Changes and Processing

Service	Fee
Add a student to your family account mid-year	\$75
Change calendar per family	\$120 per family
Rush processing, 3 business days	\$15 per request
Double HLA account penalty ⁴	\$100

⁴ To avoid this penalty, families should let us know through the enrollment form if they have an existing HLA account.

7.2 Optional Documents and International Documentation

We've highlighted the ones that typically applies to our students:

Item	Fee
Teacher ID (PDF)	\$5 each (order directly through your Request Manager)
Student ID (PDF)	\$5 each (order directly through your Request Manager)
Padded HLA cover for seniors	\$25 (order directly through your Request Manager at time of Graduation)
Duplicate / replacement diploma	\$20 + shipping (for matriculated students)
Certificate of Completion	\$10 + shipping (for students in Grade K-11)
Revised / additional transcript review by HLA	\$15
Shipment through Kairos within South Africa	R750
Individual shipment from HLA	Approximately \$210 or more
Apostille / authentication of documents	\$75 for first 2 pages; \$15 per additional page
Attestation for non-Hague countries	\$200 for the first page, \$30 thereafter per page plus embassy fees (subject to change)

7.3 Late Fees

These can all be prevented by timely enrollment:

Late fee	Amount	Applies when
Late Kairos enrollment / re-enrollment	Normal enrollment or re-enrollment fee + R300 per family	Late enrollment periods: ALPHA Calendar: 1 December to 15 August. US Calendar: 16 December to 15 March.
Late enrollment / re-enrollment of a Senior	Late enrollment / re-enrollment fee + Senior fee + \$50 late fee per Grade 12 student	Additional late Senior fee: ALPHA: <i>after 5 May</i> , US calendar: <i>and after 5 Dec (July-June)</i>
Extremely late enrollment / re-enrollment	\$285 per student + R33 per family	ALPHA Calendar: After 1 October. US Calendar: After 1 May.
Late submission of past school records	An additional \$15 per transferring year per student	After 30 September for ALPHA Calendar or after 30 April for US Calendar
Late graduation fee	\$285 per student + Senior fees (if applicable)	After 15 March for ALPHA Calendar or after 15 September for US Calendar

8. Frequently Asked Fee Questions

1. Are there monthly school fees?

No. Kairos Academy SA and HomeLife Academy do not charge monthly school fees. Families pay once-off enrollment, re-enrollment, or selected service fees.

2. Do I need to buy curriculum separately?

Yes. Families choose and purchase their own curriculum, resources, online programmes, tutors, books, or activities separately.

3. Why enroll through Kairos instead of directly with HLA?

Kairos provides South African-context guidance, local invoicing in Rand, shared shipment options, Applecore support, transfer record assistance, planning support, transcript review options, and community guidance.

4. Do I need a planning consultation?

Not every family needs a consultation. It is strongly recommended for new high school families, students transferring from another system, families preparing for Grade 12, and families considering South African tertiary studies.

5. What if I do not know which pathway applies?

Reach out to Kairos at 078-459-1656 (WhatsApp text) or kairos.academysa@gmail.com.

Kairos Academy SA is the South African AHSD support partner for families who want freedom of curriculum choice, recognized diploma administration through HomeLife Academy, and informed guidance for local and international tertiary pathways.

Email kairos.academysa@gmail.com or visit www.KairosAcademySA.com to take the next step.