



Commuting Cost Worksheet

Category	Calculation	Estimated Cost for School Year
Mileage cost*	Number of miles traveled round trip X IRS mileage rate X number of roundtrips/school year	
Tolls (if applicable)	Round-trip tolls X number of roundtrips/school year	
Parking (if applicable)	School parking permit for 2 semesters OR other parking fees	
Total		

* The 2026 IRS mileage rate is \$0.725/mile.

Example:

Each semester is 16 weeks long (including a week for final exams) or 32 weeks for the school year.

A student commutes by car to campus and:

- Travels 20 miles each way or 40 miles round trip*
- Drives to campus four days each week or 128 times/school year (32 weeks X 4 times/week)*
- Pays a toll of \$1.50 each way or \$3.00 roundtrip*
- Pays \$200/semester to park on campus*

Category	Calculation	Estimated Cost for School Year
Mileage cost	40 miles traveled roundtrip X IRS mileage rate of \$0.725/mile X 128 roundtrips/school year	3,712.00
Tolls (if applicable)	\$3.00 in tolls roundtrip X 128 roundtrips/school year	384.00
Parking (if applicable)	School parking fee for two semesters	400.00
Total		4,496.00