

Varndean College Refund Policy for International Students 2026-27

Before arrival in the UK:

1) If the student withdraws after paying the deposit, before full payment:

- 1.1) All deposits are non-refundable for any reason except
- 1.11) a visa refusal, in which case 85% of the deposit will be refunded
 - 1.12) the result of a UKVI Academic SELT test, taken after the offer, which is below Varndean's entry requirements, in which case the deposit minus the admin fee will be refunded

2) If the student withdraws after paying the full amount:

2.1) If a student pays the full fees and then withdraws for any reason except a visa refusal (see 2.2) or a failed SELT test (see 2.3):

- the deposit will not be refunded
- 85% of the balance of tuition fees will be refunded
- the full accommodation fees will be refunded

2.2) If a student pays the full fees and the visa is refused:

- 85% of the full fees and 85% of the deposit, will be refunded
- the full accommodation fees will be refunded

2.3) If a student pays the full fees and does not achieve the Varndean entry requirements after taking the UKVI Academic SELT test

- full fees and the deposit minus the admin fee, will be refunded
- the full accommodation fees will be refunded

3) Full payment is needed before the student lands in the UK.

The deadline for payment is two weeks before scheduled flight to UK. In the event of non-payment:

- the student's place will be withdrawn
- the deposit will not be refunded

After arrival in the UK:

4) Withdrawal after arrival, or if a student is sent home for any reason

4.1) If any student withdraws after arrival, unless there are exceptional circumstances (see 4.2)

- the deposit will not be refunded
- the tuition fees will not be refunded (see 4.2)
- any remaining accommodation fees will be refunded less two weeks' notice period for host family

4.2) If there are exceptional personal circumstances, such as bereavement, a percentage refund of tuition fees may be considered, on appeal to the Principal of the college

5) If a student is required to return back to their home country as a result of serious breaches in college rules, with reference to the College Student Support Policy & Procedures <https://varndean.ac.uk/policies>, there will be no tuition refund. Accommodation payments will be refunded, less two weeks' notice for the host family.

6) Agent's commission relevant to refunds and cancellations

No commission will be paid to the agent if the student is not enrolled in College, for any reason.