

## Auburn High School

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Auburn High School is proud to provide an outstanding secondary school experience for our students and would like to remind you of our voluntary financial contributions for 2022.

Curriculum Contributions and Other Contributions from our parent community are vital components of the funding needed to support the delivery of these outcomes. Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard Victorian Curriculum, and we want to assure you that all contributions are voluntary. Nevertheless, the ongoing support of our families ensures that our school can offer the best possible education, support and infrastructure for our students. Attached is a breakdown of the voluntary financial contributions requested for your child in 2022.

This year, we have made significant progress towards improving our buildings and grounds. Our library and language centre have been transformed into a new library space with the addition of four classrooms. Contemporary library shelving will be installed by the end of Term 1 to create a vibrant hub for study and quiet reading. The CCTV has been upgraded throughout the school, both internally and externally. We have two new wellbeing rooms, providing private spaces for confidential discussions. The installation of new heating and cooling throughout the school will be completed by the end of Term 2.

In 2022, we will start the construction of our new Senior School building, upgrade toilets and change rooms in the gym, and commence redevelopment of the canteen courtyard.

Your support of these initiatives is greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your continued support of Auburn High School.

Yours sincerely,

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<b>Curriculum Contributions</b> - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	<b>Amount</b>
<b>Year 7 Student ID Card</b>	\$20
<b>Year 7 General classroom materials &amp; equipment</b>	\$60
<b>Year 7 Subject Specific materials &amp; equipment</b> (Materials for English, Science, Art etc)	\$250
<b>Year 7 Provision and upkeep of School Devices &amp; ICT</b> (School devices, class sets, servers)	\$60
<b>Year 7 Photocopying and Printing for students</b> (Classroom resource printing, exams, workbooks)	\$50
<b>Year 7 Assessments</b> (Standardised tests, revision packs, external exams)	\$100
<b>YEAR 7 2022 CURRICULUM CONTRIBUTION TOTAL</b>	<b>\$540</b>
<b>Curriculum Contributions (other)</b> - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	<b>Amount</b>
Year 7 -9 SEAL program (Affiliation & Administration)	\$500

<b>Other Contributions</b> - for non-curriculum items and activities	<b>Amount</b>
<b>School Sports Affiliation Costs</b>	\$50
<b>Student and parent communication tools</b> (Compass)	\$60
<b>Enhanced Student support</b> (Learning support programs, mentoring, tutoring, homework clubs)	\$20
<b>Enhanced student wellbeing support</b> (wellbeing programs, school counsellors, mental health practitioners)	\$85
<b>Lock and Locker Maintenance</b>	\$25
<b>Engaging staff through local payroll</b> (Coaches, additional wellbeing and learning support staff, PE and excursion support, exam supervisors)	\$50
<b>Landscaping improvements &amp; upgrades</b>	\$50
<b>Clubs &amp; Activities</b> (lunchtime clubs: knitting, robotics, history, activities)	\$10

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<b>YEAR 7 2022 OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS TOTAL</b>	<b>\$400</b>
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<b>Other Contributions - Tax Deductible Contributions</b>	<b>Suggested Amount</b>
<b>Building fund.</b> A tax-deductible contribution to support renovations, upgrades, and maintenance of school infrastructure.	\$200
<b>Library fund.</b> A tax-deductible contribution to support book purchases and other equipment that sustain the library as a valuable resource.	\$200
<b>Total Amount</b>	<b>\$400</b>

### Educational items for students to own (Refer to Year 7 2022 Checklist email for details)

**Booklist** - Please see the Year 7 booklist for textbooks and items the school recommends you purchase from Champion for your child to own and individually use.

**Laptop** – Laptops can be purchased through the [LWT portal](#) or BYOD (Bring Your Own Device). Before proceeding with purchase please refer to the [Parent Student Laptop Information](#). Both parent and student will be required to read and sign this agreement. You are also required to read and sign the parent/student laptop information agreement.

### Financial Support for Families

Auburn High School understands that some families may experience financial difficulty and offers a range of support options, including:

- Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) <https://www.education.vic.gov.au/Documents/about/programs/health/csefflyer.pdf>
- Education Chances Scholarship Program (Applications via AHS Wellbeing)
- State Schools Relief (uniform) <https://stateschoolsrelief.org.au/>
- AHS Second-hand Uniform Shop (onsite)
- Sustainable Schools <https://www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au/>

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, contact:

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### Payment methods

Parent contributions towards the requested curricular contributions is essential to maintain the quality of education that we provide at Auburn High School. Parents are strongly encouraged to contribute to these funds listed through Compass.

Our preferred payment method is via the Compass Portal, through the Payment Centre on your dashboard. We accept EFTPOS payments at the office or over the phone. Payments can be made in full or by instalments.

# PARENT PAYMENTS POLICY

## ONE PAGE OVERVIEW



### FREE INSTRUCTION

- Schools provide students with free instruction and ensure students have free access to all items, activities and services that are used by the school to fulfil the standard curriculum requirements in Victorian Curriculum F-10, VCE and VCAL.
- Schools may invite parents to make a financial contribution to support the school.



### PARENT PAYMENT REQUESTS

Schools can request contributions from parents under three categories:

#### Curriculum Contributions

Voluntary financial contributions for curriculum items and activities which the school deems necessary for students to learn the Curriculum.

#### Other Contributions

Voluntary financial contributions for non-curriculum items and activities that relate to the school's functions and objectives.

#### Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

Items and activities that enhance or broaden the schooling experience of students and are above and beyond what the school provides for free to deliver the Curriculum. These are provided on a user-pays basis.

- Schools may also invite parents to supply or purchase educational items to use and own (e.g. textbooks, stationery, digital devices).



### FINANCIAL HELP FOR FAMILIES

- Schools put in place financial hardship arrangements to support families who cannot pay for items or activities so that their child doesn't miss out.
- Schools have a nominated parent payment contact person(s) that parents can have a confidential discussion with regarding financial hardship arrangements.



### SCHOOL PROCESSES

- Schools must obtain school council approval for their parent payment arrangements and publish all requests and communications for each year level on their school website for transparency.