



RE: PARENT PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS

Dear Parent

Doncaster Secondary College is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Doncaster Secondary College's parent payment arrangements for 2021.

Please find the fee schedule for 2021 (General Curriculum and Services - Essential) on your Compass portal in Course Confirmation.

Doncaster Secondary College makes every effort to keep the cost of items and activities to a minimum and affordable for all parents.

Financial Support for Families

Doncaster Secondary College understands that some families may experience financial difficulty and offers the following support options, including:

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund
- payment instalment plans
- State Schools' Relief

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

Tel: 03 98484677 | Email: doncaster.sc@education.vic.gov.au

Payment Methods

- Payments can be made through the Compass Portal
- Credit Card (by contacting the school)
- In person at the student payment office

Parents and guardians will be provided with early notice of payment requests for essential education items, optional extras and voluntary financial contributions. There will be a minimum of six weeks' notice prior to the end of the previous school year.

To further assist parents / guardians with payments, payment options have been developed, including:

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| Option A | Full amount by the beginning of Term 1 |
| Option B | Payment instalments; or |
| Option C | Other payment arrangements, including individual payment plans. |

Alternative payment options are available through the College and parents / guardians are encouraged to make an appointment with the school Business Manager to discuss circumstances and available options.

Payments may be requested but not required prior to the commencement of the year in which the materials and services are to be used.

Receipts will be issued immediately upon payment.

Reminders for unpaid essential education items or optional extras will be generated and distributed on a regular basis to parents and guardians, but not more than once a term.

Only the initial invitation for voluntary financial contributions and one reminder notice will be issued per year to parents and guardians.

All records of payments or contributions and any outstanding payments by parents and guardians are kept confidential.

Refunds

Please refer to our refund policy available www.doncastersc.vic.edu.au

Yours sincerely,

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GLENN MORRIS

Acting Principal

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College Council President

FEE SCHEDULE 2021

Essential Student Learning Items

Below is a list of items and activities which are essential for your child to learn the standard curriculum. You may choose to purchase these items through the school from your Compass Portal in Course/Confirmation.

Essential Student Learning Items	Amount
<i>Art/Technology Classroom Materials</i>	\$40
<i>Carnival Events</i>	\$25
<i>School Planner</i>	\$25
<i>School Year Level Presentations and Awards</i>	\$10
TOTAL	\$100

Optional Items

Doncaster Secondary College offers a range of optional items and activities that are additional to the delivery of the standard curriculum. These items and activities are designed to broaden the school experience for your child. These items appear on your Compass Portal as an event. If you would like to purchase an item or activity for your child, please follow the payment method on Compass.

Voluntary Contributions

Doncaster Secondary College continues to welcome your voluntary contributions to support our school. You can make a general voluntary contribution (Student Requisites) that goes towards all of our school's important priorities for 2021 as well as providing additional activities and services for all students.

Alternatively, you can make a voluntary contribution to any of the specific priorities outlined in the below table on your Compass Portal in Course/Confirmation.

Voluntary Contribution	Tax deductible?	Suggested Voluntary Contribution per family	Amount
<i>2021 Student Requisites</i>	No	\$400	
<i>2021 Building fund</i> <i>School council has established tax-deductible gift recipient status with the Australian Taxation Office for the Building Fund</i>	Yes	\$50	
<i>2021 Library Fund</i> <i>School council has established tax-deductible gift recipient status with the Australian Taxation Office for the Library Fund</i>	Yes	\$50	
<i>2021 Grounds</i>	No	\$50	
<i>2021 Wellbeing</i>	No	\$50	

Your child will not be disadvantaged if you do not make a voluntary contribution. All records of voluntary contributions are kept confidential as well as your decision about whether to make a contribution or not.