

2023 Melbourne High School – Year 12 Parent Payment Arrangements



MELBOURNE HIGH SCHOOL
A STATE SECONDARY COLLEGE
ABN: 99 980 701 814

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Melbourne High School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning. Melbourne High School has a strong tradition of scholarship and the provision of an educational program that provides depth, breadth, and challenge. Our programs are designed to allow high-ability students to be the best version of themselves that they can be.

Our ethos is based on a philosophy that we are also more than just marks. The School's traditions are about developing students who are well-rounded persons, and not merely those who are well educated. Our programs cannot be delivered without your financial contributions. We welcome your support and wish to advise you of our voluntary financial contributions for 2023.

As per the Department of Education's policy, 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 and support for our students.

We want to thank you for all your support, whether that's through your financial voluntary contributions, fundraising or volunteering your time. This has made a huge difference to our school and the programs we can offer.

Within our school this support has allowed us to offer a wider range of subjects and special curriculum experiences; enhanced digital learning opportunities; upgrading of classrooms; a vast extra-curricular program; faster WI-FI and internet.

For further information on the Department's Parent Payments Policy please see a one-page overview attached.

Yours sincerely,

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Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount	
Subject consumables, materials, and activities. Please make a contribution for those subjects that your child is studying.		
Unit	Amount	✓
Year 12 Core Subjects		
<i>Digital Access and Resources – computer applications; including Canvas, Compass, Vivi, Microsoft suite, Adobe suite, library digital subscriptions, research tools and resources, maintenance and photocopying</i>	\$515	
<i>Intra-school Sport – curriculum consumables and compulsory house activities, equipment, hire of facilities (MSAC, Como Park, Lakeside Stadium- house athletics) and excursions</i>	\$350	
Year 12 Electives		
<i>Accounting – curriculum consumables and photocopying</i>	\$70	
<i>Algorithmics – curriculum consumables, photocopying and printing</i>	\$55	
<i>Biology - laboratory equipment and materials</i>	\$85	
<i>Business Management - resources and photocopying</i>	\$70	
<i>Chemistry - laboratory equipment and materials</i>	\$110	
<i>Computer Software Development – curriculum consumables and resources</i>	\$60	\$
<i>Economics – curriculum consumables and photocopying</i>	\$45	Dependent on
<i>English – photocopying and resources</i>	\$45	the selection
<i>English Language – photocopying and resources</i>	\$45	of subjects
<i>English Literature – photocopying and resources</i>	\$45	
<i>English Additional Language – photocopying and resources</i>	\$45	
<i>Extended Investigation - resources and photocopying</i>	\$70	
<i>French – curriculum consumables, photocopying and printing</i>	\$45	
<i>Geography – curriculum consumables and photocopying</i>	\$40	
<i>German – curriculum consumables, photocopying and printing</i>	\$45	
<i>Global Politics – curriculum consumables, photocopying and printing</i>	\$45	
<i>Health & Human Development – curriculum consumables, photocopying and printing</i>	\$45	
<i>History Revolutions – curriculum consumables and photocopying</i>	\$30	
<i>Japanese – curriculum consumables, photocopying and printing</i>	\$45	
<i>Indonesian – curriculum consumables, photocopying and printing</i>	\$45	
<i>Legal Studies – curriculum consumables, photocopying and printing</i>	\$70	
<i>Mathematics – Further – curriculum consumables and photocopying</i>	\$60	
<i>Mathematics – Methods – curriculum consumables and photocopying</i>	\$60	

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<i>Mathematics – Specialist – curriculum consumables and photocopying</i>	\$60
<i>Media – curriculum consumables and equipment</i>	\$150
<i>Music Investigation - curriculum consumables, sheet music and photocopying</i>	\$60
<i>Music Performance – curriculum consumables, photocopying and printing</i>	\$60
<i>Physical Education – curriculum consumables and equipment</i>	\$40
<i>Physics - curriculum consumables and equipment</i>	\$110
<i>Psychology – curriculum consumables, photocopying and printing</i>	\$60
<i>Sociology - curriculum consumables and printing</i>	\$60
<i>Studio Arts – curriculum consumables</i>	\$160
<i>Theatre Studies – hire of equipment, costumes, props, sets and printing of scripts</i>	\$140
<i>Visual Communication Design – curriculum consumables and equipment</i>	\$100
<i>VET Program – for VET students only</i>	\$250
<i>Contribution to support the provision of VET program offerings. Resources are charged separately</i>	
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Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount
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<i>Student Focused Interest Groups</i>	
<i>Each student is required to participate in a minimum of two student focused interest groups each year. (Eg. Orchestra, Chorale, Economics Club, Diplomacy Club, Cultural Groups, Baka anime, Soul Power, Photography Club, Railway Interest Group, etc)</i>	\$150
<i>Student resources</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Student handbooks</i> • <i>Student ID card</i> • <i>Student planner</i> 	\$55
<i>School Sports Victoria membership to participate on inter-school sports.</i>	
<i>Equipment, hire of facilities and excursions.</i>	\$325
<i>Student wellbeing programs</i>	
<i>We support individual student wellbeing. This includes the engagement of external professionals on a needs basis. Your contribution supports us in developing our knowledge of the many different student needs and the best approach to assist them and their families.</i>	\$450
<i>First aid</i>	
<i>The school provides a qualified nurse and first aid consumables to treat students and meet student health needs when at school, on excursion and camp.</i>	\$50
<i>School grounds maintenance and improvements, to keep the school looking its best</i>	\$300

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<i>Whole school events - Chorals, Speech Night, school productions, musical productions</i>	\$175
Tax deductible contributions	
Building fund. <i>A tax-deductible contribution to support renovations, upgrades, and maintenance of school infrastructure.</i>	\$350
Library fund. <i>A tax-deductible contribution to support book purchases and other equipment that sustain the library as a valuable resource.</i>	\$200
Total Amount	\$

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

Melbourne High School offers a range of items and activities that enhance or broaden the schooling experience of students and are above and beyond what the school provides in order to deliver **the standard Curriculum**. These are provided on a user-pays basis.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities <i>Will be invoiced through Compass Events as permission and payment is required for participation</i>	Amount	Purchase (Please tick)
<i>Australian Air Force Cadets (participants only) – Year 10, 11 & 12</i>	\$550	
<i>Australian Army Cadets (participants only) – Year 10, 11 & 12</i>	\$600	
<i>Debating (participants only) - Year 9-12</i>	\$100	
<i>Instrumental Music - Ensemble, various instruments and voice (participants only)</i>	\$750	
<i>Rowing (participants only) plus camps and excursion costs Year 10, 11 & 12 Term 1 \$700, Term 2 \$500, Term 3 \$500, Term 4 \$700</i>	\$2400	
<i>Rugby (participants only) – Year 11 & 12</i>	\$350	
<i>Water polo (participants only) plus camps & excursion costs</i>	\$495	
<i>Online Subscription – Edrolo where required Edrolo supports the study and revision of VCE Studies – Year 10, 11 & 12</i>	\$30-\$33/subject	
Total Extra-curricular Items and Activities		\$

Financial Support for Families

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

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund
- applications for some scholarships
- Payment plans

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For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, please contact the school for assistance. Ph: 03 9826 0711

Total

Category	
Curriculum Contributions	\$
Other Contributions	\$
Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	\$
TOTAL	\$

Payment methods

Compass online Payment system

Flexible contribution options

Refunds

Parent requests for refunds are subject to the discretion of the school and made on a case-by-case basis. Refunds will be provided where the school deems it is reasonable and fair to do so, taking into consideration whether a cost has been incurred, the Department's Parent Payment Policy and Guidance, Financial Help for Families Policy and any other relevant information.

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.