

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Rosebud Secondary College is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of the voluntary financial contributions for 2026.

Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard curriculum requirements, and we want to assure you that all contributions are voluntary.

Details regarding voluntary curriculum contributions, other contributions, educational items for students to own, extra-curricular items and activities, financial support for families, payment methods, and refunds is outlined on the following pages.

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

Yours Sincerely,



Lisa Holt
Principal
Rosebud Secondary College



Janelle Atkinson
President
RSC School Council

Curriculum Contributions

Parents are invited to contribute to the following items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the curriculum.

Curriculum Contributions	Amount
<i>Curriculum Contribution</i> Contribution to support the provision of our curriculum programs, including classroom consumables, materials and equipment across but not limited to subjects including Art, Food Studies, Technology/Woodwork, Dance/Drama, Science, and Media/VCD	\$300
<i>Digital Technologies</i> Provision of devices, software, and system support	\$30
<i>Printing and Photocopying - Student access for photocopying</i> (credit applied to student account)	\$5
Total Curriculum Contributions	\$335

Other Contributions

Parents are invited to contribute to the following non-curriculum items and activities

Other Contributions	Amount
<i>School Sports Victoria affiliation</i>	\$10
<i>House Events (Athletics, Swimming, Cross Country)</i>	\$20
<i>Student Wellbeing Programs</i>	\$10
<i>First Aid Equipment</i>	\$5
<i>Locker</i>	\$10
<i>Grounds Development</i>	\$20
Total Other Contributions	\$75

Tax Deductible Contributions	
<i>Building Fund</i> (A tax-deductible contribution to support renovations, upgrades, and maintenance of school infrastructure.) Suggested \$30	\$ [parent to complete]

Educational items for students to own

Below is a list of items that the school recommends you purchase from Campion for your child to individually own and use.

Year 12 Educational Items	Amount
<i>A4 Two-Sided Whiteboard (If not retained from Year 10)</i>	\$8.51
<i>Mini Whiteboard Eraser (If not retained from Year 10)</i>	\$1.26
<i>Stationary Items (Assorted Pack)</i>	\$33.00
Total Educational Items for students to own	\$42.77

Note: This list excludes the costs for additional items or subscriptions required for elective subjects as these can vary for each student depending on the electives they choose.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

Rosebud Secondary College offers a range of optional items and activities that enhance or broaden the schooling experience of students and are above and beyond what the school provides to deliver the Curriculum. These items and activities are provided on a user pays basis.

The planned extra-curricular activities for 2026 are listed below. Any additional opportunities for extra-curricular items and activities will be communicated via the COMPASS parent portal. If you would like to purchase an item or activity for your child, please ensure payment is made to the school by the stated due date/s.

Year 12 Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	Amount
N/A	

Total

Category	Total
<i>Curriculum Contributions</i>	\$335
<i>Other Contributions</i>	\$75
<i>Educational Items for Students to Own (Booklist Items)</i>	\$42.77
<i>Extra-Curricular Items and Activities</i>	\$0
Total	\$452.77

Financial Support for Families

Rosebud Secondary College understands that some families may experience financial difficulty and offers a range of support options, including:

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund
- State Schools Relief (SSR)
- Payment plans for Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

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

Carole Cuthbertson (RSC Business Manager)

Ph: 03 5986 8595 | Email: rosebud.sc@education.vic.gov.au

Payment methods

Rosebud Secondary College accept the following payment methods:

COMPASS Pay Payment method preferred by the College, made directly through Compass.	▲ BPAY Please contact the Finance Office for your BPAY reference number	▲ Cash / Credit Card / EFTPOS The College prefers that large amounts of cash are not brought to school by students
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Payment plan options

Parents who would like to pay using a payment plan can choose from the following options:

Two Payment Cycle with payments due on:

09/03/2026

07/09/2026

Or

Four Payment Cycle with payments due on:

16/02/2026

27/04/2026

15/06/2026

12/10/2026

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 requirements of the Curriculum. This includes the Victorian Curriculum F-10, the Victorian Certificate of Education (VCE) including the VCE Vocational Major and the Victorian Pathways Certificate.
- 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.