



November 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians

Parent Payment Arrangements 2021

Parent contributions, in all forms, support Swinburne Senior Secondary College in providing a curriculum that is relevant, challenging and comprehensive.

Students enjoy first class facilities that provide an exceptional young adult learning environment, enabling students to focus their learning around their values, attitudes and needs. The College has been identified by the Victorian Qualification Authority as a centre for excellence in the Arts and the exemplary learning spaces in the visual and performing arts and in design and technology are powerful inducements to prospective students.

Swinburne is large enough to offer a broad range of programs, yet also of a size where individual needs can be accommodated and the welfare of students can be ensured. The College offers a comprehensive mentor program, which provides support and guidance to all students and our Careers and Pathways Adviser provides programs to assist students in setting and achieving goals for learning and employment.

The Department of Education and Training provides funding that only covers the basic curriculum. In order to provide the facilities and programs as mentioned above and a framework that continuously improves student learning and outcomes, the College requires your financial support. There are three fee categories:

1. Essential Student Learning Items;
2. Optional Items; and
3. Voluntary Financial Contributions.

Essential Student Learning Items

Essential Student Learning Items are items and activities which the College deems as essential for student learning, without which, students would be unable to access the standard curriculum.

Optional Items

Swinburne Senior Secondary College offers 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 and are provided on a user-pays basis. Notification of activities and associated costs for 2021 will be advised as they arise.

Voluntary Contributions

Swinburne Senior Secondary College Council is extremely appreciative of the generosity of parents who are able to support the College through voluntary contributions as these are much needed to cover essential running costs.

The College Fund forms an important part of basic budgetary requirements of the College ensuring the provision of careers' resources, mentoring programs, library resources (magazines/subscriptions), College buses, Compass (school management platform), ICT support/technology and classroom equipment to support learning outcomes for all students.

Financial support for the Library and Building Funds (both of which are tax deductible) enable the upgrade and maintenance of buildings and grounds and library resources. In 2021, contributions will be put towards the refurbishment of the Library and the Student Services Hub.

Financial support for the Music Fund will go towards the purchase of musical instruments.

Additional information regarding contributions may be found on our website www.sssc.vic.edu.au.

Payment and Policies

In 2021 we will be using the Compass platform to publish fees, acknowledge policies/permissions and for making payment. Note: when you pay the fees there will be several policies to read and sign prior to making payment. It is important to note that the link to course payments is accessible using the full browser version of Compass only. You will receive a notification with instructions when fees are published and ready for your attention. Payment can also be made via credit card, cheque or cash at the General Office.

Payment and Financial Support for Families

Swinburne Senior Secondary College makes every effort to keep the cost of items and activities to a minimum and affordable for all parents. The College understands that some families may experience financial hardship. Parents experiencing financial hardship are encouraged to contact Michael O'Brien - Principal at the College on 8862 4400 to discuss their situation.

Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund

Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund (CSEF) assistance is available for families with a valid Healthcare or Pensioner Concession Card. The College will send communication to families regarding this in the new year.

Yours sincerely

Michael O'Brien
Principal

Susan Robertson
School Council President

Fee Schedule for Year 11 - 2021

Essential Student Learning Items

Students undertaking any of the following subjects are required to pay the associated charges which are essential for your child to learn the standard curriculum.

A copy of the booklist for 2021 can be found at our website www.sssc.vic.edu.au.

| Essential Student Learning Items | Amount |
|---|--------|
| Art | \$120 |
| Biology – Edrolo | \$30 |
| Business Management - Edrolo | \$30 |
| Chemistry – Edrolo | \$30 |
| Drama | \$85 |
| Food Studies | \$130 |
| French | \$30 |
| Human Health and Development - Edrolo | \$30 |
| Legal Studies – Edrolo | \$30 |
| Maths General - Edrolo | \$30 |
| Maths Methods – Edrolo | \$30 |
| Music Investigation | \$20 |
| Music Performance | \$140 |
| Physics - Edrolo | \$30 |
| Product Design Fashion | \$120 |
| Product Design Jewellery | \$120 |
| Product Design Wood | \$120 |
| Product Design Industrial | \$120 |
| Psychology - Edrolo | \$30 |
| Studio Arts Photography | \$150 |
| Studio Arts Textiles | \$120 |
| Studio Arts | \$120 |
| Theatre Studies | \$35 |
| VCAL – excursions/incursions/activities | \$200 |
| VET | TBA |
| Visual Communication | \$120 |

Art / Studio Arts

Includes chroma paints, oil paints, watercolour paints, spray paints, acrylic paints, paint brushes, primer, pens, coloured pencils grey lead pencils, staples, specialised paper, wood blocks, etching plates, etching plastic, ink, papier mache, clay, glazes, canvas, wire, fibreglass mesh, mosaic materials, adhesive foam, storage containers, canvas boards, stretched canvas

Drama

Includes scripts, excursions, workshop with guest speaker

Food Studies

Includes ingredients for cooking

French

Includes Language Perfect program, French resources and games

Music Investigation

Includes sheet music, drum sticks, drum skins

Music Performance

Includes Auralia and Musition Cloud Program, sheet music, drum sticks, drum skins

Product Design Fashion / Studio Arts - Textiles

Includes patterns, fabric, clothing, clothes dye, cotton, zippers, needles, pins, bias binding, velcro, tailor's chalk, elastic, buttons, lining, ink, fasteners, pencils, fabric scissors, hand sewing kits

Product Design Jewellery

Includes beads, gemstones, other jewels, craft wire, pliers, badges, string, adhesive, enamel, metal spoons

Product Design Wood

Includes furniture polish, oils, adhesive, tape, paint, screw, nails, safety face protectors, dust masks, sponges, masonite, sandpaper, tape measures, fasteners, cords, timber, clock movement parts

Product Design Industrial

Includes colour pencils, circle templates, gel pens, timber, hubcaps, plastic, quartz clock parts, storage boxes, sandpaper, welding eye shields, fasteners, adhesive, stanley knives, tape measures, hand cleaner, face protectors, engraving kits, rope, dust masks, jigsaw blades, masonite, tape, concrete, paper

Studio Arts Photography

Includes photographic chemicals, photographic paper, film, fabric, specialised paper, batteries, labels, texts, foam board, window mounts, glue sticks, visual diary

Theatre Studies

Includes make up

Visual Communication

Includes specialised paper, markers, corrugated cart, foam, model making kits, masking tape, glue sticks, rulers, coloured pencils, paint brushes, balsa wood, box board, figurines, wooden boxes, foam blades, A3 pockets, circle templates, stickers, containers, workbooks,

Optional Items

Optional Items are provided on a user-pays basis. Excursions and other activities will be invoiced separately during the year.

| Optional Items | Amount |
|----------------------------|--------|
| College Magazine | \$15 |
| Instrumental Music Lessons | \$600 |

Voluntary Contributions

Parents can make a general voluntary contribution, which forms an integral part of budgetary requirements of the College ensuring the provision of ICT technology, classroom equipment and programs that enhance and support learning outcomes for all students. Alternatively, you can make a voluntary contribution to any of the specific priorities outlined in the table below:

| Voluntary Contributions | Tax Deducible | Suggested Amount |
|---|---------------|------------------|
| College Fund – Part A - College Buses - Lockers - Compass - ICT Equipment - BYOD Support - First Aid Supplies | No | \$220 |
| College Fund – Part B - Library Resources - SRC Events - Student Diaries - Printing - Graduation Book - Careers' Programs - Mentoring Programs | No | \$140 |
| Music Fund | No | \$50 |
| Library Fund | Yes | \$100 |
| Building Fund | Yes | \$150 |