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Dear parent/guardian,

Myrtleford P-12 is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of **our** voluntary financial contributions for 2023.

Government schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard Victorian curriculum and we want to assure you that all contributions to Myrtleford P12 College are voluntary.

Our College Council is proud of the facilities and resources available for our students to enjoy. These facilities, resources and programs have been enhanced as a result of parent voluntary financial contributions. The ongoing support of our families ensures that our school can continue to offer the best possible education and support for our students.

The Myrtleford P-12 College Council want to thank you for your support, whether that's through fundraising or volunteering your time. This has made a huge difference to our school and the programs we can offer.

Within our school this financial and in-kind support has allowed us to provide tickets for performances, host activity days, subsidise camps and excursions, provide free travel for some sporting events.

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

Yours sincerely,

Zlatko Pear

Principal

**STUDENT NAME:**

<b>Curriculum Contributions</b> - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	<b>Amount</b>
<i>Year 7 and 8 Student ID card</i>	\$4
<i>Year 7 and 8 Diary</i>	\$10
<i>Year 7 and 8 classroom consumables, materials &amp; equipment, printing and photocopying.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>English/Humanities/ LOTE - materials to go towards final products, coloured paper, laminating sheets (\$22)</li> <li>Maths/Science – materials to go towards final products eg coloured paper, laminating sheets, Maths Resource Kit, Models (\$18)</li> <li>Art/VCD – materials to go towards final products –clay, water colours, paint, , coloured paper, laminating sheets, pastels (\$40)</li> <li>Technology/Food – materials to go towards final products – such as: wood, nails, metal, recipe Ingredients (\$50)</li> <li>Health/PE – to contribute to entry to external sporting facilities (\$20)</li> </ul>	\$150
<i>Year 7 and 8 Online Subscriptions</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maths Pathways</li> <li>Education Perfect</li> <li>Skoolbag</li> </ul>	\$100
<i>Year 7 and 8 Devices – BYOD (Bring your own device), and provision of devices from the shared classroom sets, includes device configuration, maintenance and system costs.</i>	\$14
<i>Whole school events</i> <i>Swimming carnival – entry and transport (\$10)</i>	\$10
<b>Total Curriculum Contributions</b>	<b>\$288</b>
<b>Other Contributions</b> - for non-curriculum items and activities	<b>Amount</b>
<i>School Sports Victoria membership</i>	\$3
<i>First aid equipment</i>	\$2
<i>School grounds maintenance and improvements</i>	\$2
<b>Tax deductible contributions</b>	
<b>Building fund.</b> A tax-deductible contribution to support renovations, upgrades, and maintenance of school infrastructure.	

<b>Non Tax deductible contributions</b>	
<b>Secondary Classroom Supplies.</b> <i>A non tax-deductible contribution to support students in need with classroom stationery</i>	\$50
<b>Total Amount</b>	\$

### Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

Myrtleford P-12 College 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 Curriculum. These are provided on a user-pays basis.

If you would like to purchase an item or activity for your child, please indicate on the table below and return this to the school by *20 January 2023*

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	Amount	Purchase (Please tick)
Instrumental Music (per Semester)	\$50	
<i>Other optional camps and excursions to be scheduled</i>	<i>TBA</i>	
<b>Total Extra-curricular Items and Activities</b>		\$

### Financial Support for Families

Myrtleford P-12 College understands that some families may experience financial difficulty and offers a range of support options, including:

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund

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

*Zlatko Pear*

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## Total

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

## Payment methods

*Compass, BPAY, EFTPOS, Cheque.*

## Refunds

*Parent requests for refunds are at the discretion of the school and made on a case-by-case basis. Refunds will be provided taking into consideration whether a cost has been incurred to the school.*

*This will be in line with 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) 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.