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Dear parent/guardian,

Myrtleford P12 College is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of our College's voluntary financial contributions for 2023.

Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard curriculum requirements 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 is 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 support has allowed us to give each student in 3-6 their own laptop to use at school, eBoards to facilitate instruction, online subscriptions to engage learning, STEM activities and incursions to inspire understanding, and the list goes on!

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

Yours sincerely,

Zlatko Pear

Principal

STUDENT NAME:

Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
<p><i>Classroom consumables, materials & equipment, printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Classroom Stationery – Scissors Glue Sticks, Pens, Colour pencils, Crayons, Whiteboard Marker, Sticky Notes, Scrapbooks, Display folder, Dotted Thirds Books (\$60) English – Classroom materials, laminating sheets (\$21) Mathematics – Classroom materials, laminating sheets, Maths Resources Kit (\$23) Art – paint, crayons, canvas, glitter, coloured paper, laminating sheets. (\$20) Science – Classroom materials, laminating sheets (\$20) LOTE - Classroom materials, laminating sheets (\$12) Sports – equipment (\$16) <p><i>Online subscriptions (\$38)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reading Eggs/Eggspress Scholastic Learning Zone Essential Assessment Inquisitive Maths Pathways Skoolbag Jolly Phonics <p><i>ICT devices – provision of devices from the shared classroom sets (\$15)</i></p> <p><i>Swimming and water safety program (\$5)</i></p>	\$230.00
<p><i>Whole school events</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Athletics carnival - entry and transport (\$1) Swimming carnival – entry and transport (\$10) 	\$11
Total Curriculum Contributions	\$241

Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount
<i>School Sports Victoria affiliation</i>	\$1
<i>First aid equipment</i>	\$2
<i>School grounds maintenance and improvements</i>	\$2
Total Other Contributions	\$5

Tax deductible contributions *[delete this section if your school does not have a tax-deductible fund]*

Building fund. A tax-deductible contribution to support renovations, upgrades, and maintenance of school infrastructure	\$
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Non Tax deductible contributions	
Primary Classroom supplies. A non tax-deductible contribution to support students in need with classroom stationery	\$50

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities – provided on a user-pays basis

Myrtleford P-12 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.

If you would like to purchase an item or activity for your child, please indicate on the table below and return to the school by 20/01/2023

The cost of extra-curricular camps and activities will be advised throughout the year.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	Amount
Student Diary	\$10
Instrumental Music	\$50
Other Camps and Excursion to be scheduled	TBA
Total Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	\$

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
- State Schools Relief (SSR)

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

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Total

Category	Totals
Curriculum Contributions	\$
Other Contributions (Non-tax deductible)	\$
(Tax-deductible)	\$
Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	\$
Total	\$

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.