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SENIOR CAMPUS

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Dear parent/guardian,

Bemin Secondary College is looking forward to another year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Bemin's voluntary financial contributions for 2025.

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.*

Within our school this support will allow us to offer a wider range of subjects and special curriculum experiences and enhanced digital learning opportunities for all students.

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

Yours sincerely,

Joanne Camozzato

J. Gunzzato

Principal

Meeta Vyas

School Council President



| Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or part Curriculum | icipate in, to access the | Amount |
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| Year 10 classroom consumables, materials & equipment, photocopying of CATs and other assessment tasks • Maths, English, Humanities, Health core subjects – includes printed assessments, materials and equipment for year • Science – All the materials and chemicals for practical classes over the year • Senior School Program- All consumables, guest speakers and workshops for wellbeing, Careers and Pathways | | |
| Year 10 students participate in selective subjects, some of these have high are listed below: | gher consumable costs | |
| Unit | Amount | \$ |
| Soundscapes & Spotlight- Unveiling the Magic of Music Production | \$30 | |
| Creative Canvas: Painting, Printing and drawing. | \$50 | |
| Design Adventures: Visual Communication Design | \$50 | |
| Kitchen Culture | \$100 | |
| The Story of Food | \$100 | |
| Design Workshop: Working With Wood | \$110 | |
| Fabric Finesse: Mastering Textile Techniques | \$95 | |
| Digital Design: Content Creators | \$30 | |
| Digital technologies - contribute to the servicing and purchase of large ed classrooms and specialised areas including STEAM equipment used acros of devices, software, and system support | | \$40 |
| Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials | | \$30 |
| Whole school events- Including Harmony Day celebrations, RUO against violence and bullying, Wear it Purple Day Guest speakers and workshops: The middle school team arrange enhance the students experience | | \$40 |
| Total Curriculum Contributions | | \$210.00 |
| Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities | | Amount |
| School Sports Victoria affiliation | | \$10 |
| Student wellbeing programs | | \$20 |
| First aid equipment | | \$20 |
| Combination lock/ locker maintenance | | \$15 |

| School grounds maintenance and improvement | \$40 |
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| Student ID card | \$15 |

Total Other Contributions- \$120.00

Educational items for students to own

Attached is a list of items that the school recommends you purchase from Campion Education for your child to individually own and use. This can be purchased from Campion Online and be delivered direct to your door. All purchases from Campion Education should be completed before February 2nd.

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

Bemin 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 will be published through events on Compass for payment.

Financial Support for Families

Bemin 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, contact:

Samantha Kelly Business Manager

Ph: 7300 7979/ 7300 7977

Email:

Junior: <u>Bemin.sc.everton@education.vic.gov.au</u>
Senior: <u>Bemin.sc.morris@education.vic.gov.au</u>

| Category | Total |
|---------------------------------------|-------|
| Curriculum Contributions | \$ |
| Extra-Curricular Items and Activities | \$ |
| Total | \$ |

Payment methods:

Payments can be made at the office hours from: 8.30am – 3.30pm Monday – Friday

Compass pay/ Eftpos/CashRefunds 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 Payments Policy and Guidance, Financial Help for Families Policy, and any other relevant information.

PARENT PAYMENTS POLICY



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.