

JUNIOR CAMPUS

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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. Gunzato

Principal

Meeta Vyas

School Council President



Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum		\$150
Year 9 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 • Junior School Program- All consumables, guest speakers and workshops for wellbeing, Careers and Pathways		
Year 9 students participate in selective subjects, some of the which are listed below:	nese have higher consumable costs	
Unit	Amount	
From Studio to Gallery	\$30	
Next Gen Creators	\$30	
Food, Glorious Food	\$100	\$
Design Workshop: Crafted in Timber	\$110	
Fabric Finesse: Stitch and Style	\$95	
Digital Design: Creative Communications	\$30	
Digital technologies - contribute to the servicing and purcha classrooms and specialised areas including STEAM equipment of devices, software, and system support		\$40
Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials		\$30
 Whole school events- Including Harmony Day celebragainst violence and bullying, Wear it Purple Day Guest speakers and workshops: The middle school enhance the students experience 		\$40
Total Curriculum Contributions		\$260.00
Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities		Amount
School Sports Victoria affiliation		\$7
Student wellbeing programs		\$20
First aid equipment		\$20
Combination lock/ locker maintenance		\$15
School grounds maintenance and improvement		\$40
Student ID card		\$15

Total Other Contributions- \$120.00

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/Cash**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 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.