Book Hire

Book Hire Program

The Book Hire Program of Highvale Secondary College is a unique feature of the school that has been developed by College Council to reduce the cost of obtaining text books. Each year Parents/ Guardians are asked to provide an amount which pays for the use of text books for the whole year. Students are issued these books by the library. At the end of the year, students are asked to return these books. Students purchase their own English novels.

Generally speaking, in other schools, parents are asked to purchase their text books through various book suppliers. This usually costs in the vicinity of \$500 or higher for VCE students.

College Charges - Approved by College Council

The Department of Education and Training provides funding to each school to allocate their resources. There are additional educational materials or services that parents can be expected to provide or pay the school to provide. For example, text books, individual student requisites, major materials used in classes such as Technology and Art stationary and school uniform. Each year the College Council reviews its school budget and sets voluntary fees and charges as well as elective material charges.

Essential Learning Materials Charges

Students materials and Requisites (stationary not included) Book Hire Combination Lock (incl. GST) December Program (Yr 7 to 9) Focus Group Activities Locker Hire Online Student Resources Student Diary Student ID Card Combination Lock(incl. GST) A full breakdown of these items including book hire text values are listed on the Parent Payment Tab of the College Website.

The elective material charges are listed against each subject in the Course Prospectus Handbooks distributed to parents, as part of the course selection process. The College Council is keen to minimise the financial burden on families and recognises that the contribution by parents over the years has been a significant factor in ensuring the success of Highvale.

Voluntary Charges

College Building Fund**** Library Fund**** Grounds Maintenance & Improvement Student Services Sport IT Support ****These funds are tax deductible under Section 781(a)(XV) of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1936.

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Camps Sport Excursions Fund

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities. If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. A variable annual allowances is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.