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YEAR 8 TEXTBOOK REQUIREMENTS 2025

Dear Parent/Carer/Guardian,

At Highvale Secondary College, families are given two options to supply their students with the required textbooks for the year.

Option A: Participate in our Book Hire Program

Option B: Source and purchase your own textbooks from an external provider

Students are asked to purchase their own English texts (so they can be annotated), own stationery, as well as Languages and Music workbooks – these are not included in the book hire program. Separate listings for these will be provided.

Option A: Book Hire Program

The Book Hire Program was introduced over twenty years ago and has saved parents many thousands of dollars over the years. Under the program, parents are expected to pay an annual service charge. This provides students with an individual copy of relevant texts throughout the year and access to class sets. Parents should note that the textbooks are hired only, and they remain the property of the College. Parents are required to pay for books lost or damaged by students.

The hire fee of \$240 is designed to cover the cost of buying new books for 2025. Books are replaced as required to keep up to date with the current curriculum. School Council ensures that the Book Hire Program guarantees minimum cost to parents. With textbooks being within the vicinity of \$500 or more per year, there is a significant saving through the HSC Book Hire Program.

This service also saves parents time and the issues of trying to source textbooks for the best price. Families who use our Book Hire Program will not need to be concerned about what to do with Texts Books that they now own, but no longer require. On-selling textbooks can be difficult with a continually changing and updating curriculum, and these texts are often no longer required, or are no longer the most current edition.

If you wish to use this service, please either complete and return the attached book hire form to the college or log on to your compass home page under payment centre to set up your student's book hire arrangement for 2025, which must be completed prior to the collection of textbooks.

Option B: Purchasing

The following texts are provided to students opting to participate in the College Book Hire program. Alternatively, parents may choose to source and purchase their own from an external provider.

Yours sincerely,

Evan Miller Principal

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School Council President

2025 Book Hire Program – Year 8							
Learning Area Subject		Text Name	Approx. RRP Price				
English	Year 8 English	Complete English Basics 2 – 3 rd Edition (MacMillan)	\$33.50				
		ISBN 9781420237085					
Maths	Year 8 Maths	Cambridge Essential Maths VIC Curriculum 8 3 rd Edition (print and interactive) ISBN 9781009480758	\$74.95				
Science	Year 8	Pearson Science 8 - Student Book 1st Edition (Pearson)	\$74.95				
Depending on the topic being studied, students may also use Pearson	General Science	ISBN 9781442523524					
	Biochemistry	(out of print)					
Science 9 and 10.	Chemistry-Physics						
	Forensic Science						
Humanities	Year 8 Geography	Big Ideas Humanities 8 Victoria Curriculum (Oxford) 2 nd Edition	\$72.95				
		ISBN 9780190330941					
	Year 8	Big Ideas Humanities 8 Victoria Curriculum (Oxford) 2 nd Edition	\$72.95				
	History	ISBN 9780190330941					
	Year 8	Big Ideas Humanities 8 Victoria Curriculum (Oxford) 2 nd Edition	\$72.95				
	Economics & Business	ISBN 9780190330941					
	Civics & Citizenship	Big Ideas Humanities 8 Victoria Curriculum (Oxford) 2 nd Edition	\$72.95				
		ISBN 9780190330941					
Languages	Year 8 Languages	Students select either French, German or Mandarin.					
		You will be required to purchase the book for the language the student will study.					
	Year 8 French	Quoi de Neuf? 2 Student Book 2 nd Edition (Pearson) FRENCH	\$35.95				
		ISBN 9781488625817 (only if studying French)					
	Year 8 German	Ganz Klasse! #1 Student Book (Nelson) GERMAN	\$66.75				
		ISBN 9780170419505 retained from Year 7 (only if studying German)					
	Year 8 Chinese -	Ni Hao 2 (ChinaSoft) Student Course Book 3 rd Edition CHINESE SL	\$60.95				
	Mandarin Second Language	ISBN 9781876739485 (only if studying Chinese SL)					
Food Studies	Year 8 Food	Food for Life 7-10 (print and digital) (Cambridge)	\$69.95				
	Technology	ISBN 9781009395922 (class set)					



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YEAR 8 TEXTBOOK HIRE - 2025 AGREEMENT

Please complete this agreement and return to the College with your payment. This form may be emailed to highvale.sc@education.vic.gov.au

PAYMENT METHODS				Total P	<mark>ayment Ar</mark>	nount	<mark>: \$ 240</mark>			
1	Compass Pay	Please go to the <u>payment centre</u> in Compass for online payment (Do not return this remittance if payment is made via Compass)								
2	Cash	Cash can be received by staff at the school office								
3	Cheque	Made payable to Highvale Secondary College								
4	BPAY	Please use BPAY Code 87361 with your family reference number								
5	Credit Card	Please debit my credit card now for the full amount Total due: \$240								
Credit Card Number:				Expiry Date:		CCV:				
Cardholder Name:				Contact No.:						
Cardholder Signature:				Date:						

Options 2, 3, 4, 5 – If paying by these methods, you must return this form with your payment or scan and email to highvale.sc@education.vic.gov.au to indicate charges being paid.