

Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: 2026 – Senior School Parent Payments

The voluntary contribution for the core curriculum items requested to be paid by families is \$245.00.

Narre Warren South P-12 College is proud to offer a range of exemplary curricular and co-curricular programs to students and would like to advise you of the College's voluntary financial contributions for 2026. Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard curriculum requirements, and we want to assure you that all contributions are voluntary.

Nevertheless, while the Victorian Government supplies most of the school's funding, Narre Warren South P-12 College is dependent on locally raised funds, in the form of parent or carer contributions, to supplement the government funding. The voluntary contributions are essential for the operation of the school's curriculum programs, the provision of specialist staff and additional equipment and resources.

In the past, the locally raised funds supported some of the following initiatives:

- Installation of two new Student Toilet blocks
- Primary Playground
- Wellbeing Centre
- Hands on Learning Facilities
- Multi-Cultural Engagement teams
- Provide a wide range of programs and curriculum experiences
- Provide wellbeing programs and initiatives to support students.

This support has made significant difference to the school environment, student wellbeing and the extended learning programs we offer.

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

The Principal and the Business Manager are available if you wish to discuss any matters concerning payment. The NWSP-12 College School Council relies upon and thanks you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Lachlan Yeates
Principal

Erina Hamilton
School Council President



Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
Classroom materials and photocopying for all mandatory subject areas English, Science, Humanities, Mathematics and Health, specialist elective materials Sports equipment in classrooms and yard Classroom materials and equipment for Science, Art, Technologies and Drama Student ID Card First Card - Included (Replacement cards \$20) Student printing/ photocopy credit - \$50 Whole School Events (Sports Carnivals) Digital Technologies – provisions, software, device configuration, upkeep, server and support for all school devices	\$175
Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount
<i>First Aid Resources – equipment and materials to meet student health and hygiene needs at school, on camps and excursions</i>	\$15
<i>Student Wellbeing Program and Support – services provided via our Wellbeing Centre to assist and support students in their educational journey</i>	\$20
<i>Student and parent communication portal - Compass</i>	\$15
<i>School Sports Victoria affiliation</i>	\$20
Building fund. A tax-deductible contribution to support renovations, upgrades, and maintenance of school infrastructure. (Suggested amount \$50)	\$
Library fund. A tax-deductible contribution to support book purchases and other equipment that sustain the library as a valuable resource. (Suggested amount \$50)	\$



Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

Narre Warren South 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 accept an offer to participate in a program for your child, please ensure payment is made to the school by the nominated due date.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities – provided on a User-Pay basis	Amount
Football Academy - Melbourne City Football Club Affiliated <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supply of Initial Uniform • Professional Coaching • Specialized Training Equipment • MCFC experience <p><i>*Events & Replacement Uniforms at additional costs Payable upon acceptance of offer (due date 27th February 2026) – CSEF can be used!</i></p>	\$250
Advanced Sports Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supply of Initial Uniform • Training Program • Specialized Training Equipment <p><i>Payable upon acceptance of offer (due date 27th February 2026) – CSEF can be used!</i></p>	\$250
Rugby Academy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supply of Initial Uniform • Professional Coaching • Specialized Training Equipment • Personal Safety Equipment • Journals <p><i>*Events & Replacement Uniforms at additional costs Payable upon acceptance of offer (due date 27th February 2026) – CSEF can be used!</i></p>	\$250
Instrumental Music <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Private music lesson weekly • Instrument hire required and available <p><i>Payable upon acceptance of offer / start of Term</i></p>	\$50 / Term
Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics (STEM) Academy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Specialized excursions • Specific Equipment and materials <p><i>Payable upon acceptance of offer</i></p>	\$100



Fusion Music Academy (Includes Instrumental Music, instrument hire,) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Private music lesson weekly • Instrument hire required and available • Specialized excursions and activities <i>Payable upon acceptance of offer</i>	\$200
Fusion Dance / Drama (Includes Access to workshops) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Specialized excursions / workshops • Specific Dance Equipment and materials <i>Payable upon acceptance of offer</i>	\$100
Visual Arts / Multimedia (VAMM) – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Specialized excursions & activities • Workshops with creatives <i>- Payable upon acceptance of offer</i>	\$100
Interschool Sports program (<i>CSEF funds can be used</i>) <i>Events advised throughout the year (payable 10 days prior to event date)</i>	\$15 per activity
Combination Padlock for student lockers (Collect from Administration)	\$20
Other future Extra-Curricular incursions and excursions to be scheduled with a fee attached, students invited attend on a user-pay basis (<i>CSEF funds can be used</i>)	TBA

Booklist

Campion Education are the official suppliers of subject textbooks, the school recommends you purchase through their website or in person at your nearest retail outlet.



Total – Senior School students

Category	Totals
Curriculum Contributions	\$175.00
Other Contributions	(Non-tax deductible) \$ 70.00
	(Tax-deductible) \$
Extra-Curricular Items and Activities (as selected)	\$
Total	\$245.00

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. Refunds will not be made for Student removal due to behavior.

Payment arrangements and methods

Narre Warren South P-12 College contributions are outlined in Compass payment portal for each student, requesting they be finalized by the due dates. Payment methods include Compass Portal (via Contributions tab), over the phone via credit card, cash via Administration Building, BPAY and CentrePay.

Financial Support for Families

Narre Warren South P-12 College understands that some families may experience financial difficulty and offers a range of support options for Extra-Curricular activity payments, including:

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF)
 - If you hold a means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF payments of \$400 in 2026
- Payment Plan - Narre Warren South P-12 College will work with families to develop acceptable payment plans.
- State Schools Relief

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like alternative payment arrangements, contact our Narre Warren South P-12 College - Business Manager on 03 9704 333 | email accounts@nwsc.vic.edu.au



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) 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	Other Contributions	Extra-Curricular Items and Activities
Voluntary financial contributions for curriculum items and activities which the school deems necessary for students to learn the Curriculum.	Voluntary financial contributions for non-curriculum items and activities that relate to the school's functions and objectives.	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.