

College Finance Refund Guidelines

At Pimpama State Secondary College we are committed to providing a safe and supportive learning environment for students, staff and volunteers.

The Department of Education receive appropriation funding to deliver services on behalf of the Queensland Government and cannot charge for products or services for which it receives government funding. There are, however, some value-added services that the department offers for which it may charge users a fee. These can be administered locally, whereby business units can set and administer the fees themselves (within department policy parameters).

Schools – Locally administered fees and charges may include:

- Recovery of costs for services that do not constitute instruction, facilities, or administration, such as:
 Resources provided to state school students with Student Resource Schemes
 Extra-curricular activities, for example sports excellence programs
 Excursions, camps, performances, graduations, formals and other events etc.
- Hire fees for use of departmental facilities and equipment (other than for curriculum purposes)
- Charges for commercial activities, such as school canteens, uniform shops, Outside School Hours Care services.

Activities and Camps

Fees for excursions and camps are calculated on a cost recovery only basis, according to the number of students who have indicated their attendance. Participation of students in an excursion or camp is indicated through consent being provided by parent/carer and subsequent payment by the due date.

As the school budget cannot meet any shortfalls in funding for an excursion or camp due to the subsequent non-participation of a student who had previously indicated attendance of the activity, fees already paid for excursion or camp may be refunded in full or in part or not at all, having regard to the associated expenses incurred and the circumstances of the non-participation. Please note that non-participation due to injury or illness must be accompanied with a medical certificate. Transportation costs are non-refundable for any activity or excursion conducted by the college. Refund applications are available by emailing finance@pimpamassc.eq.edu.au and will be assessed based on the Refund Guidelines. Refunds may not be paid where there is outstanding invoice/s on the students account.

Student Resource Scheme Fees

Refunds will be issued on a pro-rata basis and upon return and clearance of any outstanding student resources.

Specialised Programs / Certificate Courses

Fees are non-refundable

Subject Levies

Refund eligibility will be reviewed at time of request and issued on a pro-rata basis of allocation of resources and consumables.

Legislation