

Dear Parents/Guardians,

This letter contains important information about the 2021 Student Resource Scheme including how the scheme operates and the annual participation fee.

The Queensland Government supports children's education by providing funding for:

- Instruction, e.g. teachers
- Facilities, e.g. buildings, amenities, furniture
- Administration, e.g. staff and resources to administer the operations of the college.

Funding does not extend to individual student resources such as textbooks, computer or musical equipment for personal use, and many items used/consumed by the student in the classroom. Supply of these items is the responsibility of parents.

The scheme ensures that students have the resources required for them to engage with the curriculum for their education, and saves parents time and money in sourcing the prescribed materials elsewhere. Savings are gained through the school's bulk purchasing practices and hiring arrangements.

The scheme will supply students with access to:

- Student Identification Card
- Textbooks for each subject
- Class sets of general reading books including prescribed novels
- Administration of the scheme
- Equipment hire – digital cameras (still/video), audio visual equipment, a wide range of industry standard software
- Use of equipment, consumable materials and photocopies for a range of subjects across all year levels
- A personal printing and photocopying allowance of 100 pages
- Printed worksheets/handouts/notes and equipment prepared by teachers
- Audio and video recordings
- Materials for subjects where the instruction is extended through providing practical learning experiences in excess of materials provided by school grants
- Software site licences for school and home use

The following items are **NOT** covered by the Student Resource Scheme:

- Laptops/iPads
- Stationery
- College activities and non-curricular events for example; excursions, camps, cluster sport, Year 12 formal and jerseys. Individual payments can be made for these activities as they occur.
- Elective Subjects/Excellence Program Levies
- College Yearbook and College Photos

SRS FEES FOR 2021

YEAR 7-8 \$255

YEAR 9-10 \$275

YEAR 11-12 \$295

Some **elective subjects** and **Academy Programs** will incur an additional **levy** that is **not** covered by the Student Resource Scheme. **These must be paid in full prior to being placed in a class.**

Non-Payment

As per the college's Finance Policy, should your account fall into arrears, students will not be permitted to attend extracurricular activities such as excursions, recreational sport, camps, formals, Year 12 jackets/jerseys etc. and access will be restricted for all devices. Parents/carers will be notified should their account fall into arrears. If after appropriate notification, payment is not received, the matter will be sent to The Department of Education debt collection agency.

Non-Participation

If a parent has opted out of the scheme the parent is required to provide the educational resources listed in the SRS (available on request) for their child by the start of the school year.

Payment Advice Information

Student Details	
Year Level in 2021	<input type="checkbox"/> Year 7 <input type="checkbox"/> Year 8 <input type="checkbox"/> Year 9 <input type="checkbox"/> Year 10 <input type="checkbox"/> Year 11 <input type="checkbox"/> Year 12
Last Name	
First Name	

Payment Method	
<input type="checkbox"/>	BPOINT – Pay using your Visa or MasterCard online or over the phone 1300 631 073
<input type="checkbox"/>	Centrepay – Pay via Centrelink deduction Our CRN is: 555-098-960B. Account number is child's name
<input type="checkbox"/>	Direct Debit – Pay via Direct Debit. Please complete and return a Direct Debit Plan Application (eDDR) form.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Internet Transfer Account Name: Pimpama State Secondary College BSB: 064-793 Account Number: 1002 7855 Reference: Student Last Name, First Initial name along with the characters SRS, e.g. Smith J SRS.
<input type="checkbox"/>	In-person – Pay in-person at the college's finance window on Wed and Fri 8:00am – 10:30am
<p>I agree to make payments by the due dates over 3 instalments (see college payment calendar) and I understand that failure to make payments by these dates may result in debt recovery action being undertaken. I understand my child will not be permitted to participate in extra-curricular school activities if my payment arrangement falls in arrears.</p>	

Parents are reminded to complete and return the SRS Participation Agreement Form when joining the scheme for the first time or opting in/out during the student's enrolment.

Have you completed and returned the SRS Participation Agreement Form? **Yes** **No**

Please note if you choose to opt out of the SRS, you are still required to complete and return the Participation Agreement Form.

Parent / Guardian Acceptance	
I acknowledge this information regarding the Student Resource Scheme and agree to the above payment selection, until such point as I inform the college otherwise.	
Name:	
Signature:	Date

The Textbook and Resource Allowance

The Department of Education provides a Textbook and Resource Allowance (TRA) to assist parents with the cost of textbooks and other education resources for eligible Years 7 to 12 students. For those students who are eligible to receive the TRA, the TRA will be applied to reduce the cost of participation in the SRS. Information on the TRA can be found on the department's website (<https://education.qld.gov.au/about-us/budgets-funding-grants/grants/parents-and-students/textbook-resource-allowance>).

Please note that the 2021 rates will be published at the commencement of each year.

Year level	2020 TRA Rate
Years 7 to 10	\$130
Years 11 to 12	\$281