Albany Creek State High School Student Resource Scheme Annual Parent Information Letter



Dear Parents/Guardians.

This letter contains important information about the **2026 Student Resource Scheme (SRS)** including how the scheme operates and the annual participation fee.

The Queensland Government supports students' education by providing funding for:

- · Instruction, e.g. teachers
- · Facilities, e.g. buildings, amenities, furniture
- Administration, e.g. staffing and resources to administer the operations of the school.

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.

To provide parents with a cost-effective alternative to purchasing textbooks and/or resources elsewhere, Albany Creek State High School operates a SRS for 2026.

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 is not used to raise funds for other purposes, and revenue collected through the scheme is applied only to the resources and operation of the scheme.

The scheme's operation, resource inclusions and participation fees were approved by the school's P&C Association at the meeting held on 12/08/2025.

SRS Participation

The objective of the scheme is to provide a convenient and cost-effective way for students to access the educational resources necessary to enhance their learning experience at school. The Department encourages parents to participate in the scheme. Participation in the SRS is optional, and no obligation is placed on a parent to participate. Participation is for the duration of your child's enrolment at the school.

A parent's participation or non-participation in the scheme will continue as per their previously completed Participation Agreement Form. A parent can opt in or out of the scheme in subsequent years by completing another Participation Agreement Form.

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

Resource Inclusions

All resources included in the SRS are detailed in the SRS Resource list available on the school's website. This is a comprehensive list of all resources included in the scheme and their associated costs. Any subject that requires additional items that the SRS does not cover is also detailed on the SRS Resource list.

Parents must inform the school if items on the list of resources are not received by their child when resources are distributed.

Type of Resources provided

Generally, the three types of resources that could be included are:

- **Owned** these items are retained by the student and used as required (e.g. stationery, exercise books, student diary).
- Used these items are used/consumed in class by the student (e.g. industry technology/cooking/art supplies).
 - work/items produced from these resources will remain the property of the student.
- Hired these items are hired to the student for their personal use for a specific period of time (e.g. textbooks, musical instruments, laptops).
 - Hired items must be returned to the school in good condition at the end of the hire period or when the student leaves the school.
 - A repair or replacement cost may be charged to the parent for any hired items that are damaged or not returned.



Costing Methodology

The schools SRS fee is calculated based on: A flat fee for a cohort group of students (e.g. a year level) Please refer to the SRS Resource list located on the school website for the associated costings.

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 (Textbook and resource allowance). Current at time of publishing.

2026 TRA (Government Textbook Allowance)			
Year 7-10 - \$164	Year 11 & 12 - \$357		

The SRS Participation Fee

The SRS fee payable for the year is available in the attached information and published on the school website. This also includes the TRA component which has been deducted to reduce the SRS fee payable. * If the cost of the SRS is equal to the TRA rate, no SRS Fee is payable.

Please Note: Certain senior subjects incur a subject fee in addition to the SRS due to the volume of resources used. See additional costs documents Year 11 and Year 12

Cost Breakdown

The diagrams below reflect how the TRA has been deducted from the SRS fee for eligible students who have opted in to the Curriculum SRS.

If you have opted to pay the SRS by term you will receive an invoice for the full amount and instalments will be due on the dates as set out on the last page of this document.

Financial Hardship

Parents experiencing financial hardship who are currently participating or wish to participate in the SRS should contact the school to discuss available options in confidence.

Payment Arrangement

Several payment options including a single payment for the full year's fee or instalments are available. A payment plan can also be negotiated with the school.

Any unpaid invoices, will be managed according to the department's Debt Management Procedure and may result in the student being excluded from the scheme and/or from participating in non-curricular activities until payment is made (<u>Debt management procedure</u>).

Payment Method

SRS payments can be made by QParents, BPOINT, EFTPOS (Credit/Debit Card), Cash, Centrepay.

- Payment may be made through the QParents portal using a credit card. Payment will be directed from the QParents portal to BPOINT where relevant outstanding invoice information may be selected.
- When paying by BPOINT, please use the Customer Reference Number (CRN) and invoice number printed on the invoice received from the school. If unsure of the CRN, please contact the school.
- Centrepay Deductions are available to pay the SRS fees. Use Centrepay to make regular deductions from your Centrelink payment. Centrepay is a voluntary and easy payment option available to Centrelink customers. Go to https://www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/centrepay for more information on how to set up your Centrepay deductions.

Contact Us

For all queries regarding the SRS and its inclusions, please contact and arrange an appointment with the Business Manager, phone 3325 6333 or email bsm@albanycreekshs.eq.edu.au



Albany Creek State High School

SRS Fee Payment Arrangement Form Year 11

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Student Name	
Student ID	
Year Level	

Section 2: SRS Category

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SRS Category	Fee Payable	Option Selected
Year 11 Curriculum Resources	\$350	
Subject Fee - Food and Nutrition (invoice issued early Term 1 2026)	\$150	
Subject Fee - Engineering Skills (invoice issued early Term 1 2026)	\$150	
Subject Fee - Furnishing Skills (invoice issued early Term 1 2026)	\$150	
Course Fee - Cert III in Business (RTO: Binnacle) (invoice issued early Term 1 2026)	\$265	
Subject Fee - Cert I in Construction (invoice issued early Term 1 2026)	\$150	
Course Fee – Cert II in Hospitality (RTO: TDA) (payment to provider)	\$390	
Subject Fee - Cert II in Hospitality (invoice issued early Term 1 2026)	\$150	
Course Fee - Cert II in Sports, Aquatic and Recreation (RTO: Binnacle) (invoice issued early Term 1 2026)	\$325	
Program Fee – Cert III Sport and Recreation (RTO: Binnacle) (invoice issued early Term 1 2026)	\$70	
Instrumental Music Due: 27/02/2026	\$150	
Subject Fee – Brisbane School of Distance Education Price provided by BDSE upon enrolment in subject. (invoice issued early Term 1 2026)	\$TBA	
Program of Excellence - Football First instalment \$205 due by 30/01/26(non-refundable). Balance \$205 due by 26/02/2026	\$410	
Program of Excellence - Dance First instalment \$110 due by 30/01/6 (non-refundable). Balance \$110 due by 26/02/2026	\$220	
Program of Excellence - Drama First instalment \$110 due by 31/01/26 (non-refundable). Balance \$110 due by 26/02/2026	\$220	
Program of Excellence - Instrumental Music First instalment \$125 due by 31/01/26 (non-refundable). Balance \$125 due by 26/02/2026	\$250	
Program of Excellence - Visual Art First instalment \$100 due by 31/01/26 (non-refundable). Balance \$100 due by 26/02/2026	\$200	
Diploma of Business – Barrington College (payment to provider)	\$2600	
TOTAL	\$	

Section 3: Payment Arrangement. Please select the preferred payment options:

Payment options	Instalments	Amount for Curriculum Resources	Or amount for more than 1 scheme	Option Selected
A single payment for the full year's fee	\$350 (Due: 31/01/2026) or Insert total from above if participating in other programs	\$350 (Due: 31/01/2026)	Total as above \$	
Instalments (paid over 3 payments) Not available for Program of Excellence Fees or subject fees.	Instalment 1: Due by 28/11/2025 Instalment 2: Due by 30/01/2026 Instalment 3: Due by 02/04/2026	\$120 \$120 \$110		
Instalment plan (as negotiated) Payment plans are available for the SRS. If you require a payment plan for Programs of Excellence, this will be assessed and provided based on individual circumstances.	Request a payment plan form from the office. Please email admin@albanycreekshs.eq.edu.au	As negotiated		

Section 4: Return of the Participation Form

Parents are reminded to complete and return the SRS Participation Agreement Form if opting out during the student's enrolment. *Please note if you choose to opt out of the SRS, you are still required to complete and return the Participation Agreement Form and provide resources for your child.*

Section 5: Parent Signature

Parent Name	Date:	
Signature		

