



20 July 2026

Dear Parents/Caregivers

2027 SCHEDULE OF FEES

Thank you for your commitment to Shalom College and for your continued support of the high-quality Catholic education provided to students through the payment of school fees.

Please find attached the 2027 Schedule of Fees. Fees are presented as one All-Inclusive Education Fee, which covers the school's curriculum offerings, together with a Building Levy that supports the provision of contemporary, safe and engaging learning spaces for students and staff. The Schedule also outlines the available payment options and the family and concession card discounts available to eligible families. Families are encouraged to contact the school finance office at any time to discuss affordability concerns, payment options or to arrange a suitable payment plan.

In previous years, we have provided information to assist families in understanding Government funding for Non-Government schools and the way the Federal Government's means-tested Capacity to Contribute measure affects both Government funding and school fees. As a refresher, below is the one-page flyer for your reference. Further guidance is available on our school website under 'School Fees'. I am always happy to discuss school funding with you should you have any questions.

Please see below our "School Fee Accounts" flyer, which reminds families of their commitment to pay school fees as a condition of enrolment.

Once again, thank you sincerely for your support of Shalom College. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely

Dean Wearmouth
PRINCIPAL

2027 Schedule of Fees



Shalom College, as an authentic Catholic school, provides a comprehensive curriculum, committed and dedicated staff, and contemporary resources and facilities to meet the needs of our students. To support the provision of outstanding educational service to the community, school fees are set at a sustainable level.

FEE SCHEDULE

All-Inclusive Education Fee - Annual	\$5,649
Building Levy - Annual	\$497
Total Fees per Student - Annual	\$6,146
COST PER STUDENT - PER TERM	\$1,537

Fees are billed annually, but can be paid weekly, fortnightly, monthly or per term.

Fee Schedule Per Term with Family Discount applied to All-Inclusive Fee

Students in Catholic Schools	Two	Three	Four +
Per Term	\$1,431 per student	\$1,254 per student	\$1,113 per student

The amounts noted above are per student. Fee schedules are reviewed and approved annually and published in advance of the forthcoming year. Fees may be subject to change, without notice, as a result of changes to Australian legislation and/or regulations. Catholic Schools referred to above includes all Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Rockhampton.

FEE DESCRIPTION

All-Inclusive Education Fee

Our School maintains an All-Inclusive Education Fee structure, which covers the curriculum offerings of the School, including:

- All tuition, subject, resourcing¹ and textbook² costs (excluding personal student stationery items)
- Student electronic device³, carry bag³, technology licences, educational software, extended warranty, comprehensive insurance cover, full service and maintenance³ conducted by school technicians, with a rebate for pre-existing BYO device arrangements
- Day only school excursions and “Whole of year level” overnight camps and retreats
- Parents and Friends Levy
- Distance Education subjects and Vocational Education Certificates:
 - One (1) only Distance Education General or Applied subject, if articulated in the School’s Senior Subject Selection Guide, and/or
 - One (1) Vocational Education Certificate covered by VETiS Funding (Government subsidy for identified Certificates I and II)⁴. Second or non-VETiS certificate courses, where available at the School, will be charged as Specific Purpose Charges.⁵

Notes:

1. Necessary consumables attributed to school subjects
2. The Textbook and Resource Allowance paid by the Federal Government is retained by the college to offset the cost of textbook resources
3. Students will be issued with a device and carry bag. Repair or replacement due to wear and tear, damages or loss will be charged as Specific Purpose Charges
4. Co-contribution fee (gap between VETiS subsidy and course cost) to external providers included in All-Inclusive Education Fee
5. Alternative arrangements may exist at schools with Registered Training Organisation (RTO) status.

Please note: Whilst the All-Inclusive Education Fee includes day excursions and “Whole of year level” overnight camps; refunds do not apply for non-attendance at any of these activities.

Building Levy

The Building Levy supports the provision of contemporary and educationally engaging spaces for our students and staff. The Building Levy is a per student contribution towards funding the significant capital works required to build, refurbish and maintain high quality facilities necessary to meet student education needs.

Specific Purpose Charges

Specific Purpose Charges are additional and apply to activities that fall outside the curriculum offerings of the School, including:

- Co-curricular activities, camps and tours e.g., instrumental music lessons, subject immersion tours, chess camps
- Extra-curricular activities such as QISSRL, QISSN, Athletics Club
- Subject-specific overnight excursions/tours e.g., Study of Religion tour
- Special events such as Year 12 formals, Graduation dinners, and optional family events
- Second or non-VETiS certificate courses, where available at the School

Enrolling Students

- Enrolment Processing fee of \$100 is non-refundable.
- Enrolment Confirmation fee of \$200 is payable upon acceptance of an offer and will be credited to School Fees.

Discounts



Prompt Payment Discount

A **Prompt Payment Discount** of **2.5%** of the All-Inclusive fee (after any applicable discounts and concessions) is offered to families who pay their fees in full, within 30 days of the statement issue date.



Payment Plan Discount

A **Payment Plan Discount** of **1.5%** of the All-Inclusive fee (after any applicable discounts and concessions) is offered to families where:

- An approved payment plan arrangement has been established with the initial payment received within 30 days of the statement issue date AND
- The periodic payments outlined in the approved payment plan arrangement are maintained AND
- The total school fees balance is paid in full by Term 4 Week 4, as per the approved payment plan arrangement.



Family Discount

A **Family Discount** is offered to families with 2 or more children attending Catholic Education – Diocese of Rockhampton (CEDR) schools, as follows:

- **2 siblings** attending CEDR schools:
7.5% discount applied to the All-Inclusive Education Fee of all siblings
- **3 siblings** attending CEDR schools:
20.0% discount applied to the All-Inclusive Education Fee of all siblings
- **4 or more siblings** attending CEDR schools:
30.0% discount applied to the All-Inclusive Education Fee of all siblings

Family discounts are applied for each year, by completing the Confirmation of Enrolment form issued to all families.



Concession Card Discount

A **Concession Card Discount** is offered to families who hold a 'means tested' Government Health Care or Pensioner Concession card. These cards must meet eligibility criteria for this concession to apply.

- For eligible families: 40% discount is applied to the All-Inclusive Education Fee, after any applicable family discount is applied.

BILLING ARRANGEMENTS

Fee statements are issued annually, by week 2 of term one.

PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS

Accounts must be paid in full by the due date shown on the fee statement, unless an approved payment plan arrangement is in place. Parents wishing to pay school fees by instalments can apply for a payment plan. Payment plans can accommodate weekly, fortnightly, monthly or per term instalments. Please contact the school finance office to establish a payment plan arrangement.

Option 1: Payment in full

Families who wish to pay School Fees in full by the due date can access any of the following payment options: Parent Orbit App, Parent Lounge, or Bpay. Fees can also be paid at the school finance office by cash, Eftpos or credit card.

Option 2: Payment Plan arrangement

Families who wish to pay school fees via instalment should contact the school finance office before the statement due date to arrange a payment plan. Families are encouraged to advise the school of their intention to take up this option as early as practicable (for example, in the prior year), to enable payment plans to commence earlier. Payment plans can involve weekly, fortnightly, monthly or term-based instalment payments and should be concluded by Week 4 Term 4.

If students leave the school prior to the end of the school year, all fees payable up to the leaving date, including any arrears, are to be paid in full by the leaving date.

For Year 12 Students, the total school fees balance must be paid in full by Week 4 of Term 3.

SCHOOL FEE ASSISTANCE

The School requests that families contact the school finance office if requiring any payment assistance. Parents unable to make payments prior to the statement due dates must make arrangements with the school finance office prior to the school fee statement due date. For families with an approved Payment Plan arrangement, contact must be made with the school finance office immediately upon missing a payment, to make suitable alternative arrangements.

Our Principal will consider applications for school fee concession for families experiencing financial hardship, who provide appropriate supporting evidence. Application is made directly to the Principal to ensure confidentiality is maintained.

ENQUIRIES

School Finance Office: Ph: (07) 4155 8111 or Email: shalom@shalomcollege.com.

School Fee *Accounts*

Our School welcomes families who respect and support our Catholic Identity, and who seek our values. Choosing a Catholic education includes a commitment to paying School fees, which together with Federal and State government funding, supports the ongoing provision of quality Catholic education for all students.

Enrolment at the School is contingent upon the payment of School Fees, as detailed in the School's Schedule of Fees. The following key points will assist you in meeting the School's expectations.

School Fee Billing

- Our School charges an "All Inclusive Education Fee" that covers the curriculum offerings of the School. "Specific Purpose charges" are applied for additional activities and resources.
- A Building Levy is charged to fund capital works.
- No adjustments to fees will be made for late returns to School or student absence during a term.
- School fee statements are issued to the enrolling parents identified on the student enrolment agreement. Account information, including balances, can be viewed in Parent Lounge under the Accounts and Payments tab, and on the Parent Orbit app.

Payment of Fees



School fees must be paid in full by the due date shown on the fee statement, unless an approved Payment Plan arrangement is in place.



For families with an approved Payment Plan arrangement, contact must be made with the School finance office immediately upon missing a payment to make suitable alternative arrangements.



Our Principal will consider applications for School fee concession for families experiencing genuine financial hardship, who provide appropriate supporting evidence. Application is made directly to the Principal to ensure confidentiality is maintained.



Overdue fees may be placed in the hands of a collection agency. If necessary, the School may take legal action to recover the debt to preserve the financial viability of the School. If this action becomes necessary, any costs or expenses incurred by the School will be charged to the parent account.

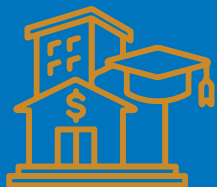
Joint + Several Liability

Each parent listed on the student enrolment agreement is responsible for ensuring full and timely payment of School fees. By law, this is known as joint and several liability, meaning both parents are collectively and individually accountable for the entire payment, irrespective of each parent's individual contribution.

If family circumstances change, please inform the School immediately. Both enrolling parents remain jointly and individually responsible for the full School fee account, irrespective of the family's structure.



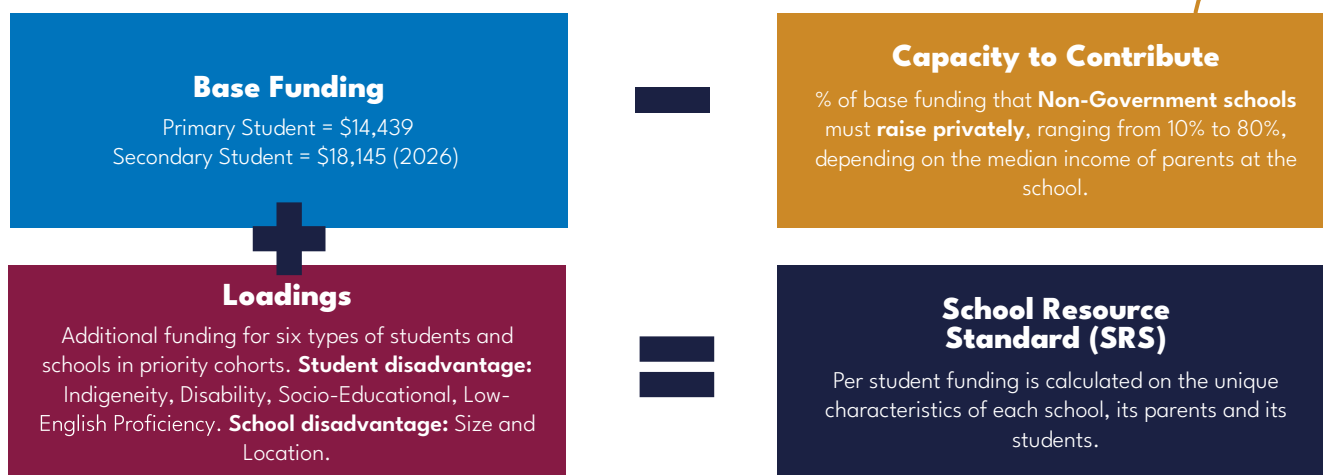
How is Education funded in Australia?



The Federal Government “School Resource Standard (SRS)” funding model determines State and Federal Government funding to all schools in Australia.

- For Non-Government schools, the SRS model also identifies each School community’s means-tested “Capacity to Contribute (CTC)” through School Fees.
- Unlike many Non-Government schools, Catholic Education - Diocese of Rockhampton (CEDR) schools minimise School fees by delivering education to students within the SRS.

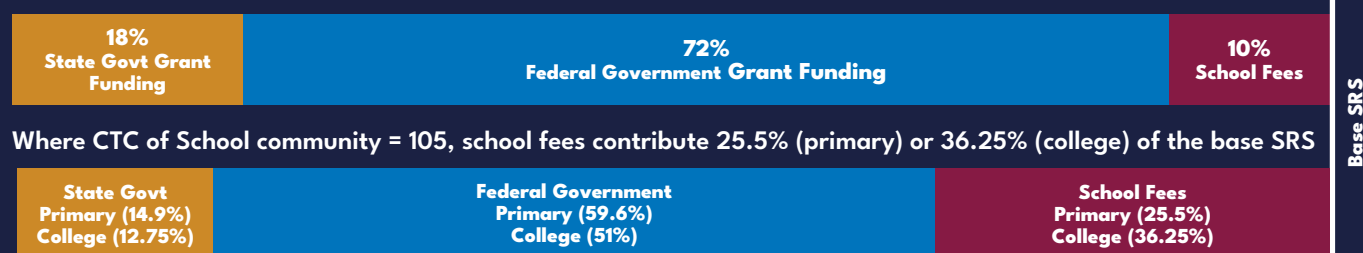
School funding formula for all schools in Australia *→ “School Fees”*



Source: National Catholic Education Commission 2023

Examples of how CTC impacts School Fees

Where CTC of School community = 90, school fees contribute 10% of the base SRS



How are School fees presented in CEDR schools?

School fees are presented as one **All-Inclusive Education fee**, that delivers the curriculum offering of the School, rather than a tuition fee PLUS several School-based levies and charges.

