

MESC PARENT PAYMENT POLICY

2026 Year 11 & 12

Dear Mount Eliza Secondary College Community,

Mount Eliza Secondary College is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning 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 Victorian curriculum and we want to assure you that all contributions are voluntary.

MESC has a proud history of using the voluntary contributions to enhance the learning experience beyond the basic curriculum as outlined in the examples further below. We have held the Requested College Council Items contribution at the same amount since 2018 to ensure it remains a feasible way to positively influence our school and the programs we can offer. The support of our families helps us to provide the best education and opportunities possible for our students, we are most grateful for all the time volunteered, fundraising activities & contributions received. It makes a huge difference to our school and the programs we offer.

This support has allowed us to organise and coordinate rich, extensive programs outside of the traditional teaching and learning programs. Our literacy and numeracy ICT platforms allow teachers to differentiate curriculum, targeted at your child's learning point of need. These funds also support practical and science subjects to offer high quality projects and activities. Our Sporting Carnivals, Health and career incursions and more personalised experiences for small groups of students, rely on this support. The loss of these contributions will have an impact on the personalised approach to education that Mount Eliza Secondary College prides itself on, and why you chose this college for your child/children. Even though payments are voluntary, any curriculum contributions or other contributions we receive, enables us to provide the best viable opportunities for our all students. Mount Eliza Secondary College is an inclusive school where every child is supported and provided for. Your continued support allows us to create this environment in our college with the resources required.

For further information on the Department's Parent Payments Policy please see a one-page overview attached. Please contact us if you have any questions or queries.

Regards,

Danielle Vaughan

Principal

Stephen Baker

School Council President



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Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount	Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
Art Making & Exhibiting Unit 1 & 2 • Painting supplies – \$30 • Drawing supplies - \$30 • Printmaking supplies - \$20 • Ceramic supplies - \$6 • Paper - \$20 Adhesives, cleaning supplies, rulers, cling wrap, blu-tack, Velcro, etc - \$24	\$130	Art Making & Exhibiting Unit 3 & 4 Painting supplies – \$50 Drawing supplies - \$40 Printmaking supplies - \$30 Ceramic supplies - \$10 Paper - \$25 Adhesives, cleaning supplies, rulers, cling wrap, blu-tack, Velcro, etc - \$25	\$180
 Biology Unit 1 & 2 Chemical specimens and practical materials -\$25 Practice exams -\$15 Revision materials & SACs -\$15 	\$55	 Biology Unit 3 & 4 Chemical specimens and practical materials -\$25 Practice exams -\$20 Revision materials & SACs -\$20 	\$65
 Business Management Unit 1 & 2 Practice SACs & Exam Booklets - \$15 Classroom consumables (worksheets, booklets, photocopy, etc.) -\$15 	\$30	 Business Management Unit 3 & 4 Practice SACs & Exam Booklets - \$50 Classroom consumables (worksheets, booklets, photocopy, etc.) -\$35 	\$85
 Chemistry Unit 1 & 2 Chemical, specimens and practical materials -\$25 Revision, class sets and SAC learning materials -\$15 Practice exams -\$10 	\$50	 Chemistry Unit 3 & 4 Chemical, specimens and practical materials -\$25 Revision, class sets and SAC learning materials -\$15 Practice exams -\$15 	\$55
 Printing, booklets - \$10 Terminology Booklet - \$15 Mirror Hire - \$20 VCAA resources & practice exam papers - \$20 Group dance costumes - \$30 Online performance analysis videos - \$20 	\$115	 Dance Unit 3 & 4 Printing, booklets - \$10 Terminology Booklet - \$15 Mirror Hire - \$20 VCAA resources & practice exam papers - \$20 Group dance costumes - \$30 Online performance analysis videos - \$20 	\$115



Drama Unit 1 & 2		Drama Unit 3 & 4	
 Drama Victoria resources -\$5 Booklets -\$20 Practice exams- \$5 Script subscription-\$10 Class reference books -\$10 Study materials -\$5 Set & costume resources -\$15 Hire performance SACs -\$10 Script for play analysis -\$10 	\$90	 Drama Victoria resources -\$10 Booklets -\$20 Practice exams -\$10 Performance exam resources -\$10 Study Materials -\$5 Hire performance SACs -\$10 Set & costume resources -\$20 Scripts -\$15 	\$100
 English Unit 1 & 2 Analyse an argument resource - \$15 Practice exams -\$20 Classroom consumables (worksheets, booklets, photocopy, etc.) -\$25 	\$60	 English Unit 3 & 4 Analyse an argument resource - \$15 Practice exams -\$30 Classroom consumables (worksheets, booklets, photocopy, etc.) -\$25 	\$70
English as a Second Language Unit 1 & 2 • Analyse an argument resource - \$15 • Practice exams -\$20 • Classroom consumables (worksheets, booklets, photocopy, etc.) -\$25	\$60	English as a Second Language Unit 3 & 4 • Analyse an argument resource - \$15 • Practice exams -\$30 • Classroom consumables (worksheets, booklets, photocopy, etc.) -\$25	\$70
Food Studies Unit 1 & 2 • Practical lessons -\$10 per student per week, with 35 approximate scheduled practical lessons. Includes: Ingredients and cleaning supplies	\$350	Food Studies Unit 3 & 4 • Practical lessons -\$10 per student per week, with 30 approximate scheduled practical lessons. Includes: Ingredients and cleaning supplies	\$300
 Revision booklets -\$20 Classroom consumables (worksheets, booklets, photocopy, etc.) -\$25 	\$45	 Foundation Mathematics Unit 3 & 4 Revision booklets -\$20 Classroom consumables (worksheets, booklets, photocopy, etc.) -\$35 SACs & exams -\$15 	\$70



 General Mathematics Unit 1 & 2 Revision booklets -\$20 Classroom consumables (worksheets, booklets, photocopy, etc.) -\$25 	\$45	 General Mathematics Unit 3 & 4 Revision booklets -\$20 Classroom consumables (worksheets, booklets, photocopy, etc.) -\$35 SACs & exams -\$15 	\$70
Health & Human Development Unit 1 & 2 • Practical materials -\$20 • Handouts, brochures, posters -\$5 • Exams & SACs -\$15 • Classroom consumables (worksheets, booklets, photocopy, etc.) -\$5	\$45	Health & Human Development Unit 3 & 4 Practical materials -\$15 Handouts, brochures, posters -\$5 Exams & SACs -\$20 Classroom consumables (worksheets, booklets, photocopy, etc.) -\$10	\$50
 History Unit 1 & 2 Practice SACs & Exam Booklets - \$15 Classroom consumables (worksheets, booklets, photocopy, etc.) -\$15 	\$30	 Practice SACs & Exam Booklets - \$35 Classroom consumables (worksheets, booklets, photocopy, etc.) -\$15 	\$50
Indonesian as a Second Language Unit 1 & 2 • Education Perfect Software -\$35 • SACs & exams -\$20 • Classroom consumables (worksheets, booklets, photocopy, etc.) -\$10	\$65	Indonesian as a Second Language Unit 3 & 4 • Education Perfect Software -\$35 • SACs & exams -\$25 • Classroom consumables (worksheets, booklets, photocopy, etc.) -\$10	\$70
Legal Studies Unit 1 & 2 • Practice SACs & Exam Booklets - \$15 • Classroom consumables (worksheets, booklets, photocopy, etc.) -\$15	\$30	 Practice SACs & Exam Booklets - \$50 Classroom consumables (worksheets, booklets, photocopy, etc.) -\$35 	\$85
 Practice exams -\$20 Classroom consumables (worksheets, booklets, photocopy, etc.) -\$30 	\$50	 Literature Unit 3 & 4 Practice exams -\$30 Classroom consumables (worksheets, booklets, photocopy, etc.) -\$25 	\$55



 Mathematical Methods Unit 1 & 2 Revision booklets -\$20 Classroom consumables (worksheets, booklets, photocopy, etc.) -\$25 	\$45	 Mathematical Methods Unit 3 & 4 Revision booklets -\$20 Classroom consumables (worksheets, booklets, photocopy, etc.) -\$35 SACs & exams -\$15 	\$70
 Media Unit 1 & 2 Maintenance & upkeep of cameras, SD cards and equipment -\$90 Classroom consumables (worksheets, booklets, photocopy, etc.) -\$30 	\$120	 Media Unit 3 & 4 Maintenance & upkeep of cameras, SD cards and equipment -\$90 Classroom consumables (worksheets, booklets, photocopy, etc.) -\$30 	\$120
 Music Unit 1 & 2 Practice SACs & Exam Booklets - \$35 Classroom consumables (worksheets, booklets etc.) -\$15 	\$50	 Music Unit 3 & 4 Practice SACs & Exam Booklets - \$35 Classroom consumables (worksheets, booklets etc.) -\$15 	\$50
Outdoor & Environmental Studies Unit 1 & 2 • Class learning materials -\$15 • Practice exams, SACs & Revision - \$35 Please note: Approximate cost of \$800-\$900 as extra-curricular items to enhance learning. This will be charged throughout the year via Compass Events	\$50	Outdoor & Environmental Studies Unit 3 & 4 • Class learning materials -\$15 • Practice exams & SACs -\$35 Please note: Approximate cost of \$900 as extra-curricular items to enhance learning. This will be charged throughout the year via Compass Events	\$50
Personal Development Skills Unit 1 & 2 • Classroom consumables (worksheets, booklets, photocopy, etc.	\$110	Personal Development Skills Unit 3 & 4 Classroom consumables (worksheets, booklets, photocopy, etc.)	\$110



 Physics Unit 1 & 2 Revision and SAC materials -\$15 Practice exams -\$20 Practical equipment and materials -\$30 	\$65	 Physics Unit 3 & 4 Revision and SAC materials -\$15 Practice exams -\$25 Practical equipment and materials -\$35 	\$75
Physical Education Unit 1 & 2 • Practice SACs, exams & learning resources -\$65 Please note: Approximate cost of \$50 as extra-curricular items to enhance learning. This will be charged throughout the year via Compass Events	\$65	Physical Education Unit 3 & 4 Practice SACs, exams & learning resources -\$65 Please note: Approximate cost of \$50 as extra-curricular items to enhance learning. This will be charged throughout the year via Compass Events	\$65
Product Design & Technology Unit 1 & 2 • Drawing materials – paper, pencils, -\$30 • Timber – hardwood, softwood, plywood -\$45 • Metal- Steel, copper, brass -\$45 • Consumables – Finishes, screw, nails -\$30	\$150	Product Design & Technology Unit 3 & 4 • Classroom consumables (worksheets, booklets, photocopy, etc.) -\$40 • Drawing materials – paper, pencils -\$55 • Consumables – Finishes, screw, nails -\$55 Please note: Students are expected to pay for materials for their Unit 4 product (e.g. Wood, metal, fabric)	\$150



Psychology Unit 1 & 2		Psychology Unit 3 & 4	
 Classroom consumables (worksheets, booklets, photocopy, etc.) -\$20 SACs learning materials, practice exams -\$30 Please note: Approximate cost of \$25 as extra-curricular items to enhance learning. This will be charged throughout the year via Compass Events 	\$50	 Classroom consumables (worksheets, booklets, photocopy, etc.) -\$20 SACs learning materials, practice exams -\$40 Please note: Approximate cost of \$15 as extra-curricular items to enhance learning. This will be charged throughout the year via Compass Events 	\$60
 Specialist Mathematics Unit 1 & 2 Revision booklets -\$20 Classroom consumables (worksheets, booklets, photocopy, etc.) -\$25 	\$45	 Specialist Mathematics Unit 3 & 4 Revision booklets -\$20 Classroom consumables (worksheets, booklets, photocopy, etc.) -\$35 SACs & exams -\$15 	\$70
VET Music Unit 1 & 2 ● (Tech Production) Cert 111	\$50	VET Music Unit 3 & 4 ● (Tech Production) Cert 111	\$50
VET Music Unit 1 & 2		VET Music Unit 3 & 4	
• (Music Performance) Cert 111	\$50	• (Music Performance) Cert 111	\$50
Visual Communication Design Unit 1 & 2 • Tech Drawing supplies - \$20 • Mediums for Folio -\$40 • Model Making -\$25 • Presentations -\$20 • Cleaning -\$5	\$110	Visual Communication Design Unit 3 & 4 • Tech Drawing supplies - \$20 • Mediums for Folio -\$40 • Model Making -\$25 • Presentations -\$20 • Cleaning -\$5	\$110
 VM Literacy Unit 1 & 2 Analyse an argument resource - \$15 Practice exams -\$20 Classroom consumables (worksheets, booklets, photocopy, etc.) -\$25 	\$60	 VM Literacy Unit 3 & 4 Analyse an argument resource - \$15 Practice exams -\$20 Classroom consumables (worksheets, booklets, photocopy, etc.) -\$25 	\$60



 Work Related Skills Unit 1 & 2 Classroom consumables (worksheets, booklets, photocopy, etc.) 	\$100	Work Related Skills Unit 3 & 4 Classroom consumables (worksheets, booklets, photocopy, etc.)	\$100
Other Contributions - for non-curriculum ite	ems and acti	vities	Amount
Requested College Council Items			
The following are only <u>some</u> of the items which cover School Council Items: Compass access, First Aid materials, Swimming Carnival, Athletics Day, Newsletter and selected handbooks, Student Leadership Program, Peer Support Program, Sport Subsidy, Employ a Student Wellbeing Coordinator, Inter school sport affiliations, provision of college representative uniform, Employ a Maintenance Person, maintain & improve grounds, paint the college, update teaching spaces, IT program (maintenance, including internet, technical support and software), Presentation Nights and Careers Program.		\$425	
Tax deductible contributions			
Building fund. A tax-deductible contribution to support renovations, upgrades, and maintenance of school infrastructure.		\$110	
Total Amount		\$	

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	Amount	Purchase (Please tick)
College Year Book – Ripple	\$30	
<u>Please Note</u> : Additional school charges may arise during the year. For example: Sport excursions which are approximately \$15. We also anticipate that there may be 3-4 excursions planned during the year with an estimated cost between \$5 and \$40 each.	Various	
Total Extra-curricular Items and Activities		

Financial Support for Families

Mount Eliza Secondary College understands that some families may experience financial difficulty and offers a range of support options, including:

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund, payment of \$400.00 is available to all families with a Health care card or Pension card.
- Sustainable School Shop online platform: Second Hand Textbooks and Uniforms.



For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, contact:

Karen Carter Ph: 03 9787 6288 Email: kcarter@mesc.vic.edu.au

Total

Category	
Curriculum Contributions	\$
Other Contributions	\$
Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	\$

Payment methods

Our preferred method of payment is directly through the Compass Portal; however other methods of payment are available if required.

Dates: Payment is due in full on 11/12/2025 or via 4 equal instalments 11/12/2025, 28/01/2026, 28/02/2026 & 28/03/2026 (these dates are set in Compass).

Alternatively, come into the office to organise a Payment Plan (Plans to be completed by 27/03/2026).

Existing Compass families: After 1st November you will be able to view your future student's details.

New families to Compass: You will receive your Compass login details closer to Orientation Day in December.

BPAY: Please call the office for the BPAY Biller Code and BPAY Reference Code.

Direct Debit:

Deductions can be made via a debit/credit card.

Please complete a MESC Payment Deduction Form and return to the general office. Alternately this can be arranged over the phone or in person at the general office.

You may start the deduction at any date and frequency suitable to you.

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 Payment Policy and Guidance, Financial Help for Families Policy and any other relevant information.

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

Voluntary financial contributions for curriculum items and activities which the school deems necessary for students to learn the Curriculum.

Other Contributions

Voluntary financial contributions for non-curriculum items and activities that relate to the school's functions and objectives.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

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.