# Yea High School

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Dear parent/guardian,

Yea High School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Yea High School's voluntary financial contributions for 2026.

Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard curriculum requirements, and we want to assure you that all contributions are voluntary. Nevertheless, the ongoing support of our families ensures that our school can offer the best possible education and support for our students. We want to thank you for all your support, whether that is through fundraising or volunteering your time. This has made a huge difference to our school and the programs we can offer.

Within our school this support has allowed us to:

- Offer a wide range of subjects and special curriculum experiences including maths extension and agricultural studies.
- Provide an array of classroom materials to ensure the delivery of a guaranteed and viable curriculum supported by positive classroom management strategies.
- Enhance learning spaces, inclusive of school buildings and grounds.

For further information on the Department's Parent Payments Policy please see a one-page overview attached.

Yours sincerely,

Jacinta Byers

Principal

**Andrew Fulford** 

School Council President

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<b>Curriculum Contributions</b> - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
Year Classroom consumables, materials & equipment:  • Food Technology – ingredients and equipment upkeep  • Wood Technology – materials and equipment upkeep  • Art/Graphics – materials  • Science – materials and laboratory equipment upkeep  • Agriculture/Horticulture – materials and equipment upkeep	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$
Year Online Subscriptions:  • Maths Pathway	\$
Year Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials:	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$
<ul> <li>Whole school events</li> <li>Athletics carnival – entry and transport</li> <li>Swimming carnival – entry and transport</li> </ul>	\$ \$
Total Curriculum Contributions	\$

Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount
School Sports Victoria affiliation	\$
Student wellbeing programs	\$
School grounds maintenance and improvements	\$
Total Other Contributions	\$

# Extra-Curricular Items and Activities – provided on a user-pays basis

Yea High School offers a range of optional items and activities that enhance or broaden the schooling experience of students and are above and beyond what the school provides to deliver the Curriculum. All listed items will be made available for payment via Compass.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	Amount
School Yearbook	\$
Instrumental Music     Group tuition     Hire of instrument	\$ \$ (per semester)
Camps and excursions to be scheduled  • Camp ( nights) – estimated: \$450	TBA TBA

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Other optional Year 7 excursions to be scheduled	
Year Swimming  • Swimming – Murrindindi Shire lifeguards, pool hire & transport	\$
Total Extra-curricular Items and Activities	\$

### Educational items for students to own

A booklist is provided with a list of items that the school recommends you purchase from Campion for your child to individually own and use.

# **Financial Support for Families**

Yea High School understands that some families may experience financial difficulty and offers a range of support options, including:

- Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund which provides payments for eligible students to attend camps, sports and excursions.
- State Schools Relief (SSR) which provides financial support to families to purchase uniform.

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

**Phoebe Parker** 

Ph: 03 5797 2207 | Email: yea.hs@education.vic.gov.au

### **Total**

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

# Payment methods

Payments can be made via Compass or at the school office.

#### 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 Payments 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.