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**VOCATIONAL
MAJOR**

**PARENT
CONTRIBUTION
ARRANGEMENTS**

2023

2023 Parent Contribution Arrangement – Vocational Major



Dear Parent/Carer

This booklet provides you with information regarding your child/ren's parent payment arrangements for 2023, and the payment methods and assistance available. Brauer College makes every effort to keep the cost of items and activities to a minimum and affordable for all families.

Brauer College would like to advise you of your voluntary financial contributions for 2023, and we look forward to another year of teaching and learning.

Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard Victorian curriculum 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's through fundraising or volunteering your time. This has made a huge difference to our school and the programs we can offer.

In an endeavour to reduce costs to our families and simplify processes, we are pleased to advise that families will again have the option to place their orders on-line with Darrian Office Supplies and Champion Books for all your stationery and booklist supplies for 2023. Voluntary Curriculum and Other Curriculum Contributions can be completed in compass. Full online ordering details for booklists, stationery lists, and parent payment arrangements are enclosed.

Within our school this support has allowed us to provide: -

- Enhanced digital learning opportunities within all subjects which has supported the continuity of learning during the offsite remote learning periods
- Additional Classroom support in literacy and numeracy
- The provision of our wellbeing team to enhance student health and wellbeing support
- Our Instrumental Music Program
- Upgrades of our schools provisions and facilities
- Refurbishment of school grounds
- Enhanced Art and Science facilities and activities above the standard curriculum
- Enhanced extra-curriculum experiences
- Intervention programs – Quicksmart, MYLNS
- Extra sporting events

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

Yours sincerely

Jane Boyle
Principal

Kim Young
School Council President

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Curriculum Contributions

Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard curriculum requirements as outlined in the Victorian Curriculum. Below are items and activities that are suggested to support your child's education in the delivery of the curriculum.

Brauer will not charge additional subject levies in 2023. These are included in the "Curriculum Contributions 2023" amount, other than for Art, Food, Wood, Engineering.

Curriculum Contributions 2023**	Amount
Student Requisites <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Classroom consumables Class Sets IT Printing IT Provision - IT LABS, Makerspace Classroom consumables Student ID Card Online Subscriptions Stile, Music 	\$320.00
Other Contributions for Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	Amount *
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enhanced Student Wellbeing Programs, Health, First Aid, Triage Locker Wellbeing Support by our team of Counsellors, Mental Health School Grounds Maintenance & Improvements School Facilities Maintenance & Improvements 	\$30.00 \$30.00 \$30.00 \$30.00 \$30.00
User Pay Optional Experiences Extra Curricular Activities	Amount *
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> VCE Guest Speakers Curriculum Excursions / Visiting Speakers End of Year and Year Level Specific extra-curricular activities during the year 	\$75.00
TOTAL	\$545.00
*any additional activities will be advised at time of activity **All subject costs are included in this fee for 2023, other than for high cost subjects such as Art, Food, Wood, Engineering. There will be no Semester 1 & 2 fees added as in previous years.	

Tax deductible contributions – We invite families to contribute to our Building fund. Please complete this form and submit it to the office should you wish to do so

Building Fund - A tax-deductible contribution to support renovations, upgrades and maintenance of school infrastructure

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User Pay Optional Experiences	Amount *
SIP	\$500.00
Year 11 Outdoor Ed	\$520.00
Year 12 Outdoor Ed	\$1,310.00
VET Costs for those students doing a VET subject off site not reimbursed by DET	\$150.00
Magazine – price will be confirmed in Term 3	TBA
Music Lessons Solo/Group	\$500.00/\$250.00
Instrument Hire	\$200.00
VCE and R2R Camps	TBA
Academies	TBA
*any additional activities will be advised at time of activity	

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Payment Methods - Arrangements for paying your 2023 parent contributions are as follows:

To assist parents to budget, a list of curriculum contributions is provided. These are specific to each child and visible on Compass. Payment arrangements can be agreed to and offered as follows

- Direct Debit - Simply complete the form enclosed and return to the Brauer College office.
- Compass - Payment arrangements will be accessible through Compass. This is a very simple, user friendly process for families, providing the flexibility to organise your payments any time online. Families will be able to make one payment or if required select the payment plan option.
- Centrepay - You can apply for Centrepay deductions online via the following site <https://www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/individuals/services/centrelink/centrepay>

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

We invite any payments to be made via the above-mentioned payment arrangements. All payments received will be allocated to outstanding Extra-Curricular items and Activities in the first instance. If there are no outstanding Extra-Curricular items and Activities charges on your family account, payments will be allocated towards family Curriculum Consumables, as per the above. We would appreciate payment arrangements, Darrian and Campion Orders to be actioned by 9th December 2022.

Brauer College understands that some families may experience financial difficulty and offer a range of support options. If you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, please contact our Business Manager, Jodie Keast on 03 5560 3888.

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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 standard curriculum requirements in Victorian Curriculum F-10, VCE and VCAL.
- 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.



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Direct Debit Request Authority Form

Request and Authority to debit the account named below to pay
Brauer College

**Request and Authority
to debit**

Your Surname or company name _____

Your Given names or ABN/ARBN _____ "you"

request and authorise **Brauer College User ID 460581** to arrange, through its own financial institution, a debit to your nominated account any amount **Brauer College** has deemed payable by you.

This debit or charge will be made through the Bulk Electronic Clearing System (BECS) from *your* account held at the financial institution you have nominated below and will be subject to the terms and conditions of the Direct Debit Request Service Agreement.

**Insert the name and
address of financial
institution at which
account is held**

Financial institution name _____

Address _____

**Insert details of
account to be debited**

Name/s on account _____

BSB number (Must be 6 Digits) |_|_|_|_| - |_|_|_|_|

Account number |_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|

Amount _____ Frequency _____

Start Date _____ End Date _____

Acknowledgment

By signing and/or providing us with a valid instruction in respect to your Direct Debit Request, you have understood and agreed to the terms and conditions governing the debit arrangements between you and **Brauer College** as set out in this Request and in your Direct Debit Request Service Agreement.

**Insert your signature
and address**

I authorise for my Direct Deposit funds to be used to pay the Parent Payment Arrangement - Curriculum Consumables, Extra-Curricular Items and Activities, Other Contributions or other financial costs attached to my account.

Signature _____

(If signing for a company, sign and print full name and capacity for signing eg. director)

Address _____

Date ____/____/____