

Contributions and Charges 2017 Year 7, 8, 9 and 10



Definition	Bullsbrook College Voluntary Contributions Amount
<p>CONTRIBUTIONS:</p> <p><i>In accordance with the School Education Regulations 2000 and the Department of Education Contributions, Charges and Fees Manual January 2015, schools can request up to a maximum contribution of \$235 for Years 7-10.</i></p> <p><i>A Contribution is 'voluntary' and the funds are used towards the cost of materials, services and facilities used by students in the educational program.</i></p>	<p>\$235</p>

CONTRIBUTIONS:

The table below gives you the breakdown of where we will direct your voluntary contribution to:

SUBJECT	YR 7	YR 8	YR 9	YR 10
Mathematics	20.00	20.00	15.00	15.00
English	20.00	20.00	15.00	15.00
Science	20.00	20.00	15.00	15.00
Humanities and Social Sciences	20.00	20.00	15.00	15.00
Active	30.00			35.00*
Home Economics (Food Science Tech)	30.00	20.00	35.00	35.00*
Home Economics (Textiles)		20.00		
Design and Technology (Wood)		20.00	35.00	35.00*
Design and Technology (Metal)		20.00		35.00*
Visual Art	30.00		35.00	35.00*
Music	30.00	20.00		35.00*
Information Technology		20.00		35.00*
Computer Science				
Media			35.00	35.00*
Musical Theatre				35.00*
Outdoor Ed				35.00*
Physical Education	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
Health	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
* Students will do four of the listed units				
Voluntary Contribution Total	\$235.00	\$235.00	\$235.00	\$235.00

An increase in student enrolments may result in subject and timetable changes within each year group. If changes are necessary, students will be offered an educational program within the approved \$235 Voluntary Contributions. Instrumental music students may be required to attend a music option

throughout the year replacing one of the specialist subjects. The cost will be within the approved \$235 Voluntary Contributions.

Money collected will be used to supplement school expenditure in the curriculum learning areas. While the contributions are voluntary the quality of our teaching and learning program will be maximized when each family makes its contribution to the cost of supplementing funding gained from other sources, including the State and Commonwealth governments. It is therefore vital for the school to receive your family's contributions. Your contribution will be used to supplement school funding for the purchase of resources needed in the provision of the learning program activities.

CHARGES:

The term "Charges" refers to the provision of extra cost optional activities which are part of an education program and which contributions do not cover. All of the following are optional and if no payment is received, an educational activity with a similar outcome will be provided to that student. All Charges are based on maximum cost per student.

The estimated costs provided are the *maximum* and will not exceed this amount. If a particular event does not transpire within the school year no Charges for that event will apply. Where the cost is less than estimated, the lower charge will apply.

The schedule includes costs associated with:

Specific learning activities available to all students, but conditional on a payment being made e.g. incursions, excursions.

Specific learning activities available to selected students, but conditional on a payment being made e.g. Music Program.

NOTE: All Contributions, Charges and Personal Items have been endorsed and approved by the School Board.

Academic Competitions	\$30.00
Excursions / Incursions	\$200.00
Year Group Function – eg Dinner Dance	\$130.00
Individual / Class Photos - Fotek	Minimum purchase is \$20. Total cost is dependent on individual and family orders
Country Week Sport (Junior)	\$450.00
Country Week Sport (Senior)	\$450.00
Camps	\$500.00
End of Year Activities	\$80.00
Interschool Sport	\$30.00
Library Contributions	\$20.00
Music Uniform	\$100.00
Music Excursion	\$30.00
Student Portfolio	\$20.00
Workbooks (each subject)	\$40.00
Home Economics - Fabrics	\$60.00
Diary	\$15.00
Private Music Instrumental Lessons Year 7 - 9	\$400 per participating student
Private Music Instrumental Lessons Year 10	\$1000 per participating student
Musical Instrument Hire	\$180 per participating student
School Tour (Interstate / Intrastate)	\$2500.00

PAYMENT OF CHARGES:

Parents **are not required to pay any charge until notified** about the exact arrangements and finalised cost for each activity. If any difficulties are experienced, please discuss the situation with the Principal. Naturally, discussions are confidential.

REFUND OF CONTRIBUTIONS AND CHARGES:

Parents may be entitled to a refund of any unused portion of the Contributions and Charges they have paid if their child transfers to another school prior to the end of the school year. Alternatively, the remaining funds can be transferred to the new school. These refunds will be arranged upon your request.

The following funding requests are voluntary and are approved by the School Board.

P & C VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION:

Each year the P & C endeavours to provide the school with education resources that further support the work of the School. These funds directly benefit the students. The P & C has made it easier for all families to contribute equally, without the hassle of constant fundraising by setting a sum of **\$40.00 contribution per family per year**. This may be paid in one sum or by instalments during the school year at your convenience.

LIBRARY CONTRIBUTION:

The \$20.00 Library Contribution is a Voluntary Request for students in Years 7-12. Funds collected from Library Contributions are used to purchase new resources for the Library, and therefore our students.

STUDENT PERSONAL USE ITEMS:

These are the items that each child requires in order to maximise learning activities. Some items are required every day, such as pencils, crayons etc. Other items are used as per the timetable, such as art shirt, library bag etc. The list for each year level is the recommended list of materials. The school has negotiated competitive prices on the lists but you are not obliged to use Ziggies Educational Supplies. You may order part of the list if that is your wish. Parents should also be aware that consumables such as pencils, glue etc may need to be *replenished throughout the year by the parent*.

SECONDARY ASSISTANCE SCHEME:

Parents who have students in Years 7-12 may be eligible for assistance with fees, uniforms and Contributions and Charges. Cards must be current in first term and include the following:

- Centrelink Family Health Care Card
- Centrelink Pensioner Concession Card
- Department of Veterans' Affairs Pensioner Concession Card (blue card only)

Uniform allowance is \$115.00 paid to the parent; alternatively parents can nominate the clothing allowance to be paid directly to the school to offset the cost of Contributions and Charges.

Educational Program Allowance is \$235.00 paid direct to the school. Students in Years 7-12 and up to and including the year the student turns 18 are eligible. Forms will be available from the School Office in Term 1 2016. Deductions from Centrelink payments can also be utilised to pay for School Contributions and Charges. For further information regarding payment options please contact the Manager Corporate Services.

PAYMENT OPTIONS:

The school will accept payment for Contributions and Charges by cash or cheque. For your convenience EFTPOS and credit card facilities are available at the Administration Office during normal office hours 8.00am to 4.00pm. Alternatively direct debit payments can be made to the Bendigo Bank BSB 633 000 Account No 129344982. **Please include your child's name in the reference line.**

Parents may consider a Progressive Payment Option where Contributions and Charges can be paid off. Please contact the Administration Office to take advantage of this option. Payment can also be made through Ziggies Educational Supplies when payment for the Personal Items is processed.

Bernadette Jones
PRINCIPAL

25th November 2016