



Robinvale College

"Great Learning for a Thriving Community"

Dear parent/guardian,

Robinvale College is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of Robinvale College's expectations for 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.

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

Yours sincerely,

Lyn Coulter
Acting Executive Principal

Andrew Young
President Robinvale College Council

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

Robinvale College 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.

The cost of extra-curricular items and activities will be advised throughout the year.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities – P - 12	Amount
<i>School magazine/yearbook</i>	\$ TBA
Study skills camp/ski camp/surf camp/somers camp	\$ TBA
School deb	\$ TBA
Camps and excursions to be scheduled	\$ TBA
Total Extra-curricular Items and Activities	\$ TBA

Financial Support for Families

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

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund
- *State Schools Relief (SSR)*

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

Robinvale College

Ph: 03 5026 3704 | Email: robinvale.co@education.vic.gov.au

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.