



BROADFORD SECONDARY COLLEGE

Curriculum Contributions 2026 Years 9 & 10

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Broadford Secondary College is looking forward to another great year of learning in 2026. We are proud to provide engaging programs and experiences that support every student to learn, grow, and achieve their best.

Schools provide students with free instruction for the standard Victorian curriculum, and we want to assure families that curriculum contributions are voluntary. However, the ongoing support of our families through voluntary contributions towards additional costs is vital, and helps us to keep costs low while continuing to provide the best possible educational opportunities and resources for our students.

Students have chosen their electives for next year, and the additional curriculum contributions for each subject are listed on the next page. These are available for you to pay on compass, or you can call the school office to arrange payment by card or bank transfer, and we can also accept cash payments.

The generous support of our school community makes a real difference. In recent years, we've been able to upgrade the tennis and basketball courts, install new shade sails and locker bays, add outdoor sports and fitness equipment, and carry out regular maintenance and improvements around the College. These upgrades create a better learning environment for all students.

We sincerely thank our families many ways you support the school—through paying the contributions, volunteering, and participation in school activities. Your involvement continues to strengthen what we can offer our students.

Please complete and return the attached form by **Friday 5 December 2025** to help us plan for the year ahead.

For further information about parent contributions, please see the attached one-page overview of the Department of Education's *Parent Payments Policy*.

Thank you for being a valued part of the Broadford Secondary College community.

Yours sincerely,

Tania Pearson
Principal

Liza Whitfield
School Council President



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Please find itemised list of Contributions and Electives below. Read through this page and fill totals on next page.

Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
Subject consumables, classroom materials and activities	
Student ID Card	\$100
Student Resources -Student Diaries – 2025	
Digital technologies –software, educational learning platforms, system support and devices	
Total	\$100
Select the elective can be one or more	Amount
Art, Mixed Media, Vis Comm – Paper, Paint, Clay and other materials	\$50
Design & Technology – Wood/Metal – Timber, Metal, fixings, and other materials	\$50
Food Technology – ingredients for recipes	\$130
Textiles – Fabric & thread	\$50
Mechanics – materials & printing	\$50
Total	\$
Other Contributions – for non-curriculum items and activities	
Locks, Locker & locker maintenance	\$15
School grounds maintenance and improvements (<i>suggested amount</i>) \$75.00	\$75
Total	\$90

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

Broadford Secondary College offers a range of items and activities that enhance or broaden the schooling experience of students and are above and beyond what the school provides. These are provided on a **user-pays basis**, and limited spaces are available. If you would like your student to participate in this activity, please indicate on summary page and return to the school by **Friday 05th December 2025**

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities (Optional)	Amount
Music Lessons: Guitar, Drums, Flute <i>This will be charged termly. If unpaid, the student will not be able to attend class.</i>	\$150 per Term



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SUMMARY – PLEASE FILL IN AND RETURN TO THE OFFICE

Student Name

Year Level for 2026

SUMMARY (add all above selections for your Total payment)	
Curriculum Contributions	\$100
Electives	\$
Other Contributions - Locker	\$15
Other Contributions - Grounds and Maintenance	\$
Music Lessons (Optional)	\$
TOTAL Payment	\$

Payment methods

Direct Deposit (NAB - 083644 Account: 028936951) please use student name as reference.

BPAY – school office (call for information)

Credit Card – school office in person or by phone

Cash – school office in person

Please return to General Office or email broadford.sc@education.vic.gov.au by **Friday 5th December 2025**



Financial Support for Families

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

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

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

contact: Tanya Fraser Ph: 03 5784 1200 | **Email:** broadford.sc@education.vic.gov.au

Please note: *Additional school charges may arise during the year. For Example: Camps, Sports & Excursions attract additional charges. If you are eligible for CSEF funding to assist with these costs, please complete your application form at the General Office*

Refunds

Parent requests for refunds are subject to the discretion of the school and are 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. Generally, we will not be able to refund payments made for items purchased or costs that have already been paid where those funds have already been transferred to a third party. For example, camp costs when a child becomes unwell and cannot attend in circumstances where the payment has already been made or committed to a third party and no refund is available to the school. Where possible, we will make this clear to parents at the time of payment.

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.