

MARIST-SION COLLEGE TUITION FEE SCHEDULE 2020



TUITION FEES

Tuition Fees are an important component of the Marist-Sion College funding as they enable our College to provide resources, facilities and activities that assist and support our teaching staff to provide a high quality education to all our students. The tuition fees also include costs for subject materials, excursions, camps, student laptop, ICT levy, digital texts and capital levy.

Non tuition charges are invoiced separately and may be applicable for laptop and property damage, sports carnivals and tours (Year 11 Central Australia, Japan, Academic Enrichment Program, etc.) and any other charges.

Tuition Fees are invoiced in January of each year and are payable in full by 31 December of each year. Payments can be made Weekly, Fortnightly, Monthly, Quarterly or Annually and the preferred method of payment is Direct Debit.

PER FAMILY	Annual	Per Week (40 weeks)	Per Fortnight (20 fortnights)	Per Month (10 months)
One Student	\$ 5,590	\$139.75	\$279.50	\$ 559.00
Two Students	\$10,090	\$252.25	\$504.50	\$1,009.00
Three Students	\$11,990	\$299.75	\$599.50	\$1,199.00
Four Students+	\$11,990	\$299.75	\$599.50	\$1,199.00

PER STUDENT

1st Child	\$5,590.00
2nd Child	\$4,500.00
3rd Child	\$1,900.00
4th Child +	No Charge

Please Note:

Families experiencing difficulties meeting their fee obligation are encouraged to contact the College Finance Manager or Fees Department on 03 5623 5944 or fees@mscw.vic.edu.au as soon as possible to discuss suitable arrangements.

The College offers a Fee Remission program that provides assistance to families who are experiencing financial difficulties.

TUITION FEE POLICY

A. STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES

This policy is based on the following principles:

- Marist-Sion College is committed to providing a Catholic education for young people from a wide range of backgrounds. In so doing, the College aims to keep fees to a minimum so that parents will be encouraged to enrol their children without suffering hardship.
- The College makes every effort to be just and compassionate in both;
 - its consideration of those who need a tuition fee reduction, and
 - its insistence that those who incur a debt must meet their commitment

B. SPECIFIC PROVISIONS

1. APPLICATION/ENROLMENT

- (i) **Application Fee**
An administration fee is payable on receipt of enrolment application.
- (ii) **Enrolment Deposit**
On acceptance of enrolment offer, a non-refundable deposit of \$600 is due and payable. This deposit will be offset against tuition fees in the following year.

2. TUITION FEE AMOUNT

- (i) **Setting the Tuition Fee**
The College will encourage student enrolment through balancing the need for responsible financial management within the College whilst maintaining sensitivity to the financial capacity of parents.
- (ii) **Sibling Discount**
Where two or more students share a sibling relationship and are concurrently enrolled at school, a sibling discount will apply. To be eligible for a sibling discount the student must be one of two or more children having one or both parents in common. The fourth and any additional siblings attract a full fee discount.
- (iii) **New Students**
When a student commences at the college after the start of the school year, Fees will be charged on a Pro-Rata Basis.
- (iv) **Other student fees**
There are no compulsory subject and material levies for students enrolled at Marist-Sion College. Fees for materials and services that do not directly support curriculum are exempt from this policy. These other fees may comprise; bus levies, elective camp fees and VETIS.
- (v) **VET Fees**
As VET Fees are subsidised by the College, VET fees are payable in full unless the College receives a refund from the Provider.
- (vi) **Bus Fees**
As Bus costs are subsidised by the College, all Bus Fees are payable in full regardless of usage.
- (vii) **Student Exit**
When a student exits during the Term, full tuition fees for that Term are deemed due and payable.

3. PAYMENT OF FEES

Account issue

Fees are assessed and billed for each family on an annual basis at the end of January each school year. School fee statements will be processed every two months and emailed to the debtor. The college provides payment options and all information is confidential as per the Credit Reporting Policy and the Privacy Act 1988.

- (i) **Due Date for Payment Arrangements**
Fees are due for payment either weekly, fortnightly, monthly or annually as per agreement. All fees must be paid in full prior to 31 December of each year school year, unless an approved agreement is in place.
- (ii) **Payment methods available**
 - * Direct Debit arrangement (preferred method)
 - * In person (cash, cheque, credit card, eftpos)
 - * Via telephone (credit card only)
 - * By post (cheque, credit card (form to be completed))
 - * Internet (Bpay)
- (iii) **Receipts**
Receipt for payment will only be issued by request. Statements issued every 2 months will show payments made.

4. RESPONSIBILITY FOR FEES

- (i) By agreeing to the terms and conditions of enrolment, parents also declare their responsibility for tuition fees when signing student enrolment forms.
- (ii) The College stands by the principle that where parents can afford to pay fees, they will be expected to contribute to the education of their children.
- (iii) Families experiencing difficulties meeting their fee obligation are required to contact the Finance Manager or Fees Department within the College on 03 5623 5944 as soon as possible to discuss arrangements.

5. FEE REMISSION

The Fees Remission Program provides assistance to families who are experiencing financial difficulties. The College Fees Committee determines all Fee Remissions and all applications are considered in the strictest confidential manner. Each application is de identified to ensure confidentiality and privacy. The program requires the family to provide detailed information and documentation to demonstrate their financial and personal circumstances in order for the Fees Committee to make a proper and fair assessment of the family's ability to pay fees. To capture any change in circumstances, the College requires a new application to be submitted each year. **All** financial details **must** be completed in an accurate and detailed manner in order for the application to be processed.

6. OVERDUE FEES

In effecting processes for the recovery of fees, the College notes that the failure of some families to pay school fees creates a burden for the remainder of the school community. If the College has done all in its power to recover any outstanding debt without success, solicitors or collection agencies may be engaged to recover the debt on behalf of the College.

Please do not hesitate to contact the College on 03 5623 5944 if you are experiencing difficulties with your Tuition Fee Obligation