

Dear Parent/ Carer,

Northern Bay College is enjoying another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of our voluntary student contributions for 2025. Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard Victorian curriculum, and we want to assure you that all contributions are voluntary. SEE <https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/parent-payment/policy> attached

Extra-Curricular items and activities such as camps and excursions will be provided to students to enhance and or broaden their school experience. **Camps in 2025 are FREE and excursions will be user pays basis.**

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 voluntary contributions, fundraising or volunteering your time. This makes a huge difference to our school and the programs we can offer. Eg allowing a wider offering of subjects and special curriculum experiences; enhanced digital learning opportunities; the upgrade of our school facilities; faster WIFI and internet.

Northern Bay College makes every effort to keep the cost of items and activities to a minimum and affordable for all parents. To make a voluntary contribution you can:

1. Payment plan for your own dates and amounts with a Credit Card
2. Centrepay payment plan from your Centrelink Benefits
3. Regular Direct Deposit to the school account
4. Cash or EFT payments on site.
5. Other options - please contact your Campus office for further information

Financial Support for Families: NBC understands that some families may experience financial difficulty and offers a range of support options including: the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) (Eligibility required). For a confidential discussion or if you would like to discuss any contribution or payment arrangements, contact the *College Assistant Business Manager 03 5245 3509*.

Goldsworthy Student Fees and Charges: The costs for any subject or elective vary across the senior of schooling and will be discussed with the Enrolment Officers at Goldsworthy when selecting courses. For a guide on voluntary contributions for each Year level <https://www.nbc.vic.edu.au/learning/senior-study>

The educational costs for 2025 are available on request. This allows us to give our community an indication of how we calculate expenditure for year levels. Most students in 2025 will receive a "book pack sample bag" at the start of the school year on their campus. This usually occurred on Book Pack Day at the Goldsworthy Gym but with free education, your voluntary student contributions and excursions can be managed at Campus level.

Yours sincerely,



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