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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Rosehill Secondary is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of its voluntary financial contributions for 2022.

Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard Victorian curriculum and we want to assure you that all contributions are voluntary. Nevertheless, the ongoing support of our families ensures that our school can offer the best possible education and support for our students.

At Rosehill Secondary College, we design and develop teaching and learning programs drawing on the best educational knowledge and practices and strive to offer broad and enriched opportunities to students that are above and beyond what is required in the standard curriculum and what is provided for by Government Funding.

The Rosehill Secondary College School Council makes every effort to keep the cost of items and activities to a minimum and affordable for all its families. However, we do rely on parent contributions to assist us in meeting our budgetary requirements, as well as the diverse needs of our students. This has made a huge difference in our school allowing us the ability to offer your child a wide range of quality academic programs and specific subject materials and equipment for English, Mathematics, Science, Visual Arts/Performing Arts, Languages, Humanities, Technology, and Health and Physical Education.

Some of the terrific co-curricular programs we offer at Rosehill are because of the additional contributions made by our families. These include school productions, concerts, art shows, sports events, incursions, excursions, well-being programs, school-wide positive behaviours, Respectful Relationships, and school-based counselling and support.

Within our school, this support has allowed us to continue to provide a differentiated curriculum and has ensured the College has the materials and facilities to run the programs successfully and that the provision of student wellbeing and support programs, major and minor upgrades to facilities, grounds, the renewal and enhancement of classroom and digital technology, is made available for the benefit and engagement of all our students.

We would like to thank parents for their continued support and commitment to contribute, which directly benefits students and results in improved achievement outcomes, engagement in learning and well-being.

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

Yours sincerely,



Arthur Soumalias Gwenda Griggs

**PRINCIPAL SCHOOL COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

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| **Curriculum Contributions -** items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum | **Amount** |
| **Year 8 Core Units** | **Amount** | **✓** | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| English – photocopying/printing for students; printed workbooks in lieu of textbooks, consumables | $30.00 |  |
| Humanities – photocopying/printing for students; printed workbooks in lieu of textbooks, consumables | $20.00 |  |
| Interdisciplinary Studies – Literacy – Reading and Responding Workbook | $30.00 |  |
| Interdisciplinary Studies – Numeracy – printed workbooks in lieu of textbooks, consumables | $20.00 |  |
| Mathematics – printed workbooks in lieu of textbooks, consumables | $30.00 |  |
| Physical Education & Health – printed workbooks in lieu of textbooks, consumables | $25.00 |  |
| Science – lab equipment and materials | $30.00 |  |
| **Elective Units** – please tick subjects based on **confirmed** selections | **Amount** | **✓** | **Amount** |
| Advanced Food Technology – materials and equipment eg food ingredients | $70.00 |  | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Art –paint, inks, pastels, water colours, quality paper | $50.00 |  | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| 3D Art – quality consumables, inks, pastels, water colours | $50.00 |  | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Dance – costumes, venue and equipment hire, scripts, sheet music | $50.00 |  | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Drama – costumes, venue and equipment hire, scripts, sheet music | $50.00 |  | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| English as an Additional Language – printed workbooks in lieu of textbooks, consumables | $30.00 |  | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Fashion & Design Technology – materials, equipment eg needles, thread, workbook, patterns | $60.00 |  | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Food Technology – materials and equipment eg food ingredients | $70.00 |  | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Footy Codes –PE booklet in lieu of textbook | $15.00 |  | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Good Sports – PE booklet in lieu of textbook | $15.00 |  | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Languages – Italian – printed workbooks in lieu of textbooks | $20.00 |  | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Languages – Japanese – printed workbooks in lieu of textbooks | $20.00 |  | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Materials Technology – materials and equipment eg first grade timber, hardware | $50.00 |  | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Money & the Law – printed workbooks in lieu of textbooks | $20.00 |  | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Performance Studies – costumes/venue and equipment hire, scripts, sheet music | $50.00 |  | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Systems Technology – materials and equipment eg electrical components | $50.00 |  | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Visual Communication & Design – materials eg gloss/cartridge paper/paint | $50.00 |  | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Provision and Upkeep of School Devices, Peripherals, and ICTDevices owned by the school, class sets, device configuration, maintenance, server/system costs | $20.00 | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Student ID Card | $10.00 | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| **Total Curriculum Contributions** |  | **$** |

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| **Other Contributions -** for non-curriculum items and activities |  | **Amount** |
| Footy Codes – excursions *(please tick based on* ***confirmed*** *subject selections)* | $25.00 | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Good Sports – excursions *(please tick based on* ***confirmed*** *subject selections)* | $25.00 | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| School Sports Victoria Membership | $5.00 | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Student and Parent Communication Tool – Compass | $30.00 | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Student Wellbeing | $30.00 | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| First Aid Equipment | $10.00 | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Locker Hire – construction of locker bays, purchase and maintenance of lockers | $80.00 | $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Learning Environment – outdoor learning areas; grounds maintenance and improvements, classroom technology,

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| Suggested Amount | $100 | $150 | Other |

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| **Tax Deductible Contributions** |
| Building FundA tax-deductible contribution to support renovations, upgrades, and maintenance of school infrastructure*.*

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| Suggested Amount | $100 | $150 | Other |

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| **Total Other Contributions** | **$** |

**Extra-Curricular Items and Activities**

Rosehill 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 in order to deliver the Curriculum. These are provided on a user-pays basis.

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| **Extra-Curricular Items and Activities** | **Amount** | **(Please Tick)** |
| School Magazine | $20.00 |  |
| Course Selection Handbook | $10.00 |  |
| Instrumental Music – instrument hire & lessons | $250.00 |  |
| Swimming Carnival – entry and transport | $15.00 |  |
| Athletics Carnival – facilities hire and transport | $15.00 |  |
| Excursions, incursions – to be scheduled throughout the year | TBA |  |
| **Total Extra-Curricular Items and Activities** | **$** |

**Financial Support for Families**

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

* Camps, Sport, Excursions Fund <http://www.eduweb.vic.gov.au/csef/Home.aspx> Application Forms available from the College.
* Second-Hand Uniforms available for purchase from the College
* Second-Hand Books [www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au](http://www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au)
* State Schools Relief
* Local Community Support Services

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like discuss alternative payment arrangements, contact the Business Manager, Judith Wright via email at rosehill.sc@education.vic.gov.au, regarding their financial situation and related difficulties in making payments, or alternatively can contact the Welfare team on 9337 2488 for a confidential discussion and information regarding support options.

**Total**

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| **Category** | **Amount** |
| Curriculum Contributions | $ |
| Other Contributions | $ |
| Extra-Curricular Items and Activities | $ |

**Payment Methods**

To further assist families with payments, three payment options have been developed:

* Full amount by the beginning of Term 1.
* Payment by instalments through CompassPay.
* Other payment arrangements, including individual payment plans, eg CentrePay via Centrelink.

Parents/Guardians will be able to make payments by Cash, EFTPOS and CompassPay.

**Refunds**

* 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 and any other relevant information.
* All claims for a refund must be in writing and addressed to the Business Manager.
* **NO** cash refunds will be given.
* Refunds will be made via Direct Credt or, a credit placed on the family account if preferred.

**parent PAYMENTS policy**

**ONE PAGE OVERVIEW**

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|  | 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.
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|  | PARENT PAYMENT REQUESTSSchools can request contributions from parents under three categories:

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| Curriculum ContributionsVoluntary financial contributions for curriculum items and activities which the school deems necessary for students to learn the Curriculum. | Other ContributionsVoluntary financial contributions for non-curriculum items and activities that relate to the school’s functions and objectives. | Extra-Curricular Items and ActivitiesItems 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).
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|  | 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.
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|  | 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.
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