



Kiara
College

2025 Contributions and Charges

Approved by Kiara College Finance Committee

Endorsed by Kiara College Board

Parent Information Booklet

First Day for Students – Wednesday 5 February 2025

The information contained in this booklet is provided to assist families understand the structure for College charges and contributions - your child's **personal** account is also with this pack and confirms the subjects your child will be taking in 2025.

Under Government guidelines, the College requests contributions from parents to assist in providing resources for the education of their children. These are used to provide resources for the compulsory areas: English, Mathematics, Science, Humanities and Social Sciences, Technology & Enterprise, The Arts, Physical Education and Health including hire of textbooks or the provision of text materials.

The payment of Voluntary Contributions and Compulsory Charges can take place prior to the first day for students at our Administration Office. Applications can be completed for the Education Program Allowance at this time – please bring with you the relevant Concession Cards and your bank details to assist your application.

Payments may be made via cash, cheque, EFT/credit card or online payments direct to the College bank account:

BSB: 066040 ACCOUNT: 19902159 (include student surname & initial, C & C for reference)

Assistance Schemes available

The Secondary Assistance Scheme allowance is for students in full-time secondary education – Years 7 to 12. The assistance provided is \$235 which is deducted from the student's Voluntary Contributions and Charges account. There is an additional \$300 Clothing Allowance that is also provided. The Clothing Allowance can be directed towards College costs or reimbursed direct to you. To check if you are eligible, please refer to the information provided with this package. The claim form is also included. Recipients of Centrelink payments who hold a current Centrelink card may qualify for financial assistance towards their child's education. If you are eligible, please complete and bring the form to Administration Office, together with your current Centrelink/Health Care Card. PLEASE NOTE: **Applications close Friday 11 April 2025**. No late applications will be accepted.

ABSTUDY Supplement Allowance

You may qualify for ABSTUDY which you can apply for through the Department of Human Services. If you receive ABSTUDY you can also apply for ABSTUDY Supplement Allowance by completing the application available at the Administration Office. A form is included for you in this pack.

PLEASE NOTE: ABSTUDY recipients can apply for the Secondary Assistance Scheme Allowance if they are eligible.

Centrepay: the easy way to pay bills.

CentrePay is a free direct bill paying service available to customers who receive a Centrelink payment. You can set up Centrepay for your College and excursion charges. To arrange your deduction, choose one of the following options:

- Go online at humanservices.gov.au/centrepay to register
- Phone Centrelink on your usual payment number. Make sure you have your Centrelink reference numbers available.

Uniform Shop

The wearing of College uniform is compulsory for all students. Parents and carers can purchase uniforms directly from our supplier - GEARUP Promotions

- Telephone: 9303 9733
- Address: 1/57 Buckingham Drive Wangara WA 6065
- Opening Hours: 8.30am - 4.30pm Monday to Friday including school holidays
- Website: www.gearuppromo.com.au
- Webstore open 24/7 - Home delivery (costs apply) or Click and Collect available

Payment Methods

We offer various methods of payment to assist you in meeting requirements for paying your child's education at Kiara College.

- We encourage **online payments** (Electronic Funds Transfer) direct to our Bank Account COMMONWEALTH BANK **BSB: 066040 Account: 19902159**
As reference, please use last name, initial & item eg. BROWN J Yr 8 C&C.
- **Cash/Cheque/EFTPOS** payments can be made at the Administration Office. Alternatively, you can forward cheques or credit card information including CVC (on the bottom of C&C account) by mail to the College.
- **Phone the College** - we can take your credit card details over the phone should you choose to pay this way.
- **Payment Plan** - we understand that some families find it difficult to pay the whole account at once, a payment plan can be negotiated with you for regular payments.

Personal Items and Booklist

Recommended personal and stationery items are included with this pack. These items may be purchased from **Campion Education**, our preferred supplier, who has discounted most stationery items by 20% and has various discounts on textbooks. You have the option to purchase from other suppliers or retail stores.

SmartRider Card

Go to monitorwa.com.au/smartrider. Choose - Buy now – order your student smartrider and follow the prompts.

Contributions and Charges Information

Kiara College is an outstanding Independent Public School that provides quality teaching across a broad range of engaging and interesting courses. The Kiara College Board has reviewed and endorsed the Contributions and Charges for 2025, to ensure that we are acting in accordance with the Education Act.

Where do the Contributions and Charge Payments go?

For Years 7 to 10, the maximum voluntary contributions the College can charge is \$235.00, this is used for items such as: in-class textbooks and resources, art materials, ingredients for food production, timber, metal and consumable tools, sporting equipment and so on.

Declining to pay voluntary contributions may mean we cannot maintain the high standard of educational materials for your child. We encourage you to pay these costs and offer a range of family friendly payment facilities.

For Years 11 and 12 there are no maximum charges that are set by the State Government, however the College sets reasonable charges for the subjects. It is important to note that ALL subject costs in Years 11 and 12 are compulsory.

You are encouraged to pay your Contributions and Charges before the end of Term 1. Funds received are used to purchase resources throughout the year. We are aware that for some families this may be a burden and advise it is possible to negotiate a payment plan. To arrange a plan, please contact our Administration Office.

Voluntary Approved Requests

Student Services \$10

We are proud of the holistic student services we offer at Kiara College including Psychologist, non-denominational Chaplain, Nurse, Year Coordinators, Student Services Manager, Student Service Support Officers and Aboriginal and Islander Education Officers (AIEO). We believe our students should benefit from an excellent level of support. This cost exceeds the funding that we receive from the Government and therefore we rely on the money we raise from this request.

The funds raised allow our Student Services Team run programs on well-being, bullying prevention, self-esteem, engagement, health as well as providing reward activities.

College Bus Replacement \$20

We have two buses that are used for most College excursions or external activities. This reduces the costs significantly of excursions. To assist in building a reserve account to replace the buses, the assistance of our families is appreciated.

College Activities \$20

College activities include sports carnivals, K-Surf, Harmony Day, RU OK Day, Healthy Schools promotions, Act Belong Commit and other College-based activities that are partly funded by these collections.

Information Technology \$45

The resources provided by the College Library are up-to-date and from funds received through this collection we are able to continue to renew books and other resources annually. Funds for Information Technology go towards providing technology resources and services that ensure students are able to access computers, programs and learning tools.

Optional Cost

Year Book \$30

Each year staff and students work together towards providing a glossy full colour book of highlights, photographs and achievements for the year. Students love to look back on their College years and reminisce. Buying the Yearbook is optional, the cost is **not** included on the Contributions and Charges account so please inform us if you wish to add this optional item. The book is distributed at the end of the year.

Year 12 Graduation Items

This includes Leavers Jackets. Optional costs TBA.

Excursions & Incursions

The Department of Education requires that we inform you of excursions, incursions, camps, competitions and other activities that **may** take place in 2025. **Participation in these activities is voluntary. The charges are estimates only.**

YEAR	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
7	Excursions, incursions, reward activities, discos, KFest	\$300.00 maximum
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9	Excursions, reward activities, KFest	\$300.00 maximum
10	Excursions, reward activities, KFest	\$300.00 maximum
11	Excursions, reward activities, KFest, College Ball, Leavers Jumper for Year 12	\$500.00 maximum
12	Excursions, reward activities, KFest, College Ball, Leavers Jumper, Awards Ceremony	\$550.00 maximum

- Items such as College photographs are ordered from and paid direct to the photographer – this includes photographs taken at the College Ball.
- **Reprinting Timetables** – Student timetables are printed and distributed to all students at the beginning of each term. For those students requiring a reprint of their timetables, we require a payment of \$1.00. This fee is paid at the point of request ie. Student Services or Administration Office.

KIARA COLLEGE SIREN TIMES 2025

MONDAY – FRIDAY			
PERIOD	START TIME	FINISH TIME	MINUTES
Before School	8.28 AM	8.50 AM	22
1	8.50 AM	9.54 AM	64
2	9.54 AM	10.58 AM	64
RECESS	10.58 AM	11.21 AM	23
3	11.21 AM	12.25 PM	64
4	12.25 PM	1.29 PM	64
LUNCH	1.29PM	1.51 PM	22
5	1.51 PM	2.55 PM	64
After School	2.55 PM	3.17 PM	22

Student Accident Insurance



The Department of Education does not provide personal accident insurance for students and as a result does not have a whole of college accident insurance in place.

Parents of students in public schools are generally responsible for paying the costs of medical treatment for injured students.

Student insurance policies are available from the private insurance market. These cover a range of medical expenses not covered by Medicare and a range of low-cost policies.

It is also recommended that you have a Family Ambulance cover that covers the student

\$500 towards you
or your children's
education



Saver Plus is a free financial education program that matches your savings, dollar for dollar, up to \$500

What can the \$500 be used for?



Laptops & tablets



Lessons & activities



Uniforms & shoes



Books & supplies



Vocational education



Camps & excursions

To join Saver Plus, you must meet all of the below criteria:

- Be 18 years or over
- Have a child at school or attend vocational education yourself
- Have regular income from paid employment (you or your partner)
- Have a current Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card
- Be in receipt of an eligible Commonwealth social security benefit, allowance or payment*

*Many Centrelink payments are eligible

Saver Plus is an initiative of the Brotherhood of St Laurence and ANZ, delivered in partnership with Berry Street and The Smith Family. The program is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government Department of Social Services.

To find out more:

Enquire online at saverplus.org.au
Email saverplus@bsl.org.au
Call 1300 610 355

Delivered by:





Kiara College Specialist Agriculture students and team at the Perth Royal Show 2024