



Dear Parent/Caregiver

### **PARENT PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS 2021 – YEAR 11**

Elwood College is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of its parent payment arrangements for 2021 which have been approved by our School Council.

Please find the payment schedule for Year 10 attached. Please refer to this in conjunction with your child's chosen subjects as there may be elective subjects which attract an additional user pays cost. Elwood College makes every effort to keep the cost of items and activities to a minimum and affordable for all parents whilst still delivering an exceptional teaching and learning experience.

#### **Financial Support for Families**

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

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) for eligible Health Care card holders
- Access to State Schools' Relief for eligible Health Care card holders
- Mutually negotiated payment plans
- Instalment options -- 20<sup>th</sup> November 2020  
19<sup>th</sup> February 2021  
21<sup>st</sup> May 2021  
13<sup>th</sup> August 2021

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, contact Bridget Kosla-Brown at [finance@elwood.vic.edu.au](mailto:finance@elwood.vic.edu.au)

#### **Payment Methods**

- Compass Portal – via Course Confirmation (recommended)
- Credit Card – In full or by instalment
- Direct Credit to Elwood College Council Official Account
- BPay

For further information on the Department's Parent Payment Policy please see a one page overview attached.

Yours sincerely,

Todd Asensio  
Principal

Wendy Dunstan  
School Council President

## FEE SCHEDULE – YEAR 11

Please find the itemised list of Essential Student Learning Items and Optional Items for your child. Elwood College continues to welcome your voluntary contributions for 2021

### Essential Student Learning Items

Below is a list of items and activities which are essential for your child to learn the standard curriculum. You may choose to purchase these items through the school or provide your own. Please indicate which items you would like to purchase through the school on the table below:

Essential Student Learning Items	Amount
VCE Preparation Program - Elevate	\$40.00
Edrolo Online	\$25.00
Whole School Sports Program	\$30.00
Student ID Card - PTV Approved	\$10.00
Student Printing/Photocopying	\$50.00
Locker & Padlock for Laptop and Mobile Phone Storage (Refer DET/EC Mobile Phone policy)	\$20.00
<b>SUB-TOTAL A</b>	<b>\$175.00</b>

**Some students in Years 11 & 12 have selected a subject that incurs an additional essential cost as below. Please refer to your child's timetable to confirm and tick if applicable. This amount will need to be added to the total above.**

Essential Student Learning Items – VCE or VET Subjects	Amount
VET – Fees vary dependent on VET subject chosen. Please discuss with school	\$
Biology	\$70.00
Business Management	\$40.00
French	\$40.00
Food Studies	\$210.00
Geography Field Trips	\$180.00
Food Studies	\$210.00
Media	\$100.00
Studio Arts	\$100.00
VCD (Visual Communications & Design)	\$100.00
Theatre Studies	\$100.00
<b>SUB -TOTAL B</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>TOTAL = SUB TOTAL A &amp; B</b>	<b>\$</b>

### Optional Items

Elwood College offers a range of optional items and activities that are additional to the delivery of the standard curriculum. These items and activities are designed to broaden the school experience for your child. If you would like to purchase an item or activity for your child, please indicate on the table below. These are invoiced separately.

Optional Items		Amount
ECBA	Elwood College Basketball Academy 32 week program Refer ECBA information for instalment options	\$1560
Instrumental Music Per semester	Individual lessons (Piano, Guitar, Voice, Woodwind, Drums)	\$600
Instrumental Music Per semester	Group lessons ( Piano, Guitar, Voice, Woodwind, Drums)	\$300
College Magazine	Please select if required	YES / NO
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>

### Voluntary Contributions

Elwood College welcomes your voluntary contributions In order to provide excellent up to date facilities and resources for our students, While items in this section must be classified as voluntary, they are incredibly important for providing our students with the services and resources our school community expects and deserves.

You can make a voluntary contribution to any of the specific priorities outlined in the table below:

Voluntary Contribution	Tax deductible	Suggested Voluntary Contribution per family			Amount
<b>ICT SUPPORT 2021</b> Contributions towards Computer Technical Support, additional fibre connection costs, computer equipment, software licences, maintenance and repairs	No	\$220			
<b>GROUNDS MAINTENANCE CONTRIBUTION</b> Contributions towards maintenance of the school grounds in order to provide an enhanced student recreational space.	No	\$50			
<b>GENERAL VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION</b> Contributions towards replacement of school equipment and furniture and provision of services not covered by DET funding	No	\$100			
<b>BUILDING FUND DONATION</b> Funds raised in 2021 will focus on continued development of the grounds masterplan. Donations will contribute to providing active, passive and creative spaces for our students.	Yes	\$50	\$100	\$200	
		\$500	\$1000	Other	
<b>TOTAL</b>					<b>\$</b>

Your child will not be disadvantaged if you do not make a voluntary contribution. All records of voluntary contributions are kept confidential as well as your decision about whether to make a contribution or not.

### Parent Payment Charges

Essential Student Learning Items	Amount _____
Optional Items	Amount _____
Voluntary financial contribution	Amount _____
	<b>TOTAL</b> _____