



Year 9 SRS 2026

Dear Parents/Guardians,

This letter includes important information about the fees and inclusions for the SRS. If you have previously opted in to the SRS your participation is assumed for the remainder of your child's enrolment, unless you inform the school otherwise by completing a new participation agreement form. If you are a new parent to the school, this information will assist you in making a decision as to whether you wish to participate in the SRS.

What is provided by the Queensland Government?

The Queensland Government supports children's education by providing funding for instruction (teachers), facilities (school grounds and buildings, internet), and administration (staff to run the school). Funding for schools does not extend to individual student resources such as textbooks, equipment for personal use, and many items used by the student in the classroom.

The SRS helps parents to source these resources. The school can purchase resources at lower rates due to its bulk buying power. Resources such as textbooks or musical instruments that will be used over a period of time are hired to students to further reduce costs for families. Participating in the SRS also offers a convenient way for parents to source the items that their child needs for school, and ensures that all students have access to the same standard of resources.

The types of resources that will be included are:

- **Owned by the student** – e.g. student diary – once provided, these items are retained by the student and used at their discretion.
- **Hired to the student** for a specific duration of time – e.g. textbooks or musical instruments—these items will need to be returned to the school in reasonable condition at the end of the hire period or if the student leaves the school.
- **Used in class** – e.g. stationery, timber, material, workbooks – these items will be used in class. Finished products that are created from these resources will generally come home with the student.

The Fee

The fee is calculated as a flat fee for the year level cohort and ensures value is provided to all students, with additional higher fees charged for students accessing higher cost subjects and Certificate courses. Please note that if you are not participating in the SRS program, there will be an additional charge for higher subjects and Certificates.

If you are not satisfied that the SRS fee represents good value for money based on the inclusions (over the page), you may choose not to participate in the SRS. If that is the case, please complete a new Participation Agreement Form, indicating that you no longer wish to participate. If you choose not to participate, you will be provided with a detailed list of resources that you will need to provide for the student.

The TRA

The Department of Education provides a Textbook and Resource Allowance (TRA) to assist parents with the cost of textbooks and other education resources for eligible Years 7 to 12 students.

For those students who are eligible to receive the TRA, the TRA will be applied to reduce the cost of participation as shown in the table below. Thus the SRS invoice you receive will be the full cost of participation in the SRS minus the TRA already held at the school.

Please be aware that there may be two lines of charges on your invoice indicating the GST inclusive and GST exclusive fees depending on the resources supplied by the SRS .

Cost Breakdown

The diagrams below reflect how the TRA has been deducted from the SRS fee for eligible students who have opted in to the Curriculum SRS.

Cost of SRS	TRA	SRS fee due
\$434.00	\$164.00	\$270.00

While payment can be made upfront, you will receive three separate invoices to allow payment to be made via instalments:

First instalment of \$90.00 is due by Friday 30 January 2026

Second instalment of \$90.00 is due by Friday 27 March 2026

Third instalment of \$90.00 is due by Friday 29 May 2026

Financial Difficulty

If you would like to participate, but are experiencing financial difficulties, please contact the school to arrange an appointment to discuss options. Any information that you provide will be confidential.

Release of resources

Resources will be distributed to students that have opted into the SRS. Any unpaid invoices, will be managed according to the department's Debt Management Procedure and may result in the student being excluded from the scheme and/or from participating in extra-curricular activities until payments are made.

Return of hired resources

A repair or replacement cost will be charged to the parent for any items that are damaged or not returned.

Contact us

If you have any queries regarding the SRS and its inclusions, please contact and arrange an appointment with:

Finance Team - phone 3482 5555 - option 4 or email: finance@northlakescollege.eq.edu.au

The Curriculum Student Resource Scheme Inclusions

The Curriculum Student Resource Scheme (SRS) is made up of two components. The components are general items and resources for core and elective subjects. The tables below detail the SRS inclusions for these components.

General Items	Resource	Type of Resource	Cost to School per student	Cost to Parent
General items	Adobe Creative Cloud - named user licence	Used	\$ 10.00	\$ 260.00
	Jacaranda Plus - online tool	Used	\$ 75.00	\$ 359.85
General Levy	Student Diary	Owned	\$ 15.00	\$ 15.00
	Student printing balance top up	Used	\$ 15.00	\$ 5.00
	Writers Toolbox - online essay writing tool	Used	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00
Grand Total			\$ 145.00	\$ 669.85

Subject	Resource	Type of Resource	Cost to School per student	Cost to Parent
English				
	Novel - The Outsiders (S.E.Hinton)	Hired	\$ 2.99	\$ 14.95
Science				
	Jacaranda Science Quest 9 - JacPlus	Hired	\$ 19.99	\$ 79.95
	Scientific consumables & PPE	Used	\$ 7.50	\$ 7.50
Mathematics				
	Jacaranda Maths Quest 9	Hired	\$ 17.50	\$ 70.00
	Consumables - protractors, grid paper	Used		
Health & Physical Education				
	Smart Frog Education - online resource	Hired		
	Health & Physical Education Yr 9 & 10 - JacPlus	Hired	\$ 17.49	\$ 69.95
Languages				
	Chinese Bilingual Dictionary - class set	Hired	\$ 1.00	\$ 16.50
Technology - Food Studies				
	Consumables - containers, gloves, plastic wrap, baking paper, al.foil	Used	\$ 18.60	\$ 930.00
	Equipment - Apron and Hat	Hired	\$ 11.00	\$ 22.00
Technology - Design & Technology				
	Consumables - stationery, coreflute, core board, ball bearings, plywood and 3D filament	Used	\$ 105.84	\$ 105.84

The Arts - Visual Art				
	Consumables - various resources, materials, stationery, tools	Used	\$ 134.90	\$ 134.90
	Consumable - budget skateboard deck	Owned	\$ 9.95	\$ 9.95
The Arts - Dance				
	Reference materials inc. Dance - Count Me in and videos	Hired	\$ 30.00	\$ 90.00
	Software & online - Acrobatic Arts syllabus & membership	Hired	\$ 6.17	\$ 1,105.00
	Software & online - Twinkl membership, music uploads	Hired	\$ 0.89	\$ 160.00
	Consumables - stationery	Used	\$ 7.92	\$ 7.92
The Arts - Drama				
	Book hire - Juice and A Boy Named Townboy	Hired	\$ 12.00	\$ 60.00
	Consumables - stationary	Used	\$ 110.00	\$ 110.00
	Printing reference materials - The Red Tree and Melodrama scripts	Used	\$ 80.00	\$ 80.00
The Arts - Music				
	Consumables - music scores, audio cords, plectrums, leads, guitar strings, headphone and jack and stimulus materials	Used	\$ 50.00	\$ 240.00
	Equipment - keyboards, drum sticks & practice pads, ukulele, acoustic guitar	Used	\$ 220.00	\$ 220.00
Technology - Digital Technologies				
	Electronics Kit	Hired		\$ 60.00

