



North Lakes | STATE COLLEGE

STATE EDUCATION FEES - 2025



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FOREWORD FROM THE EXECUTIVE PRINCIPAL

There are many costs associated with providing the quality educational opportunities that all students deserve. As parents are directly responsible for providing textbooks and other personal resources for their children while attending school, the College takes pride in the fact that it has been able to keep these costs to a minimum for parents over the years. It is this very partnership with parents that allows the College to provide access to a wide variety of subject selections, camps, excursions and extended curriculum offerings to enhance your child's learning experiences.

These costs are defined as State Education Fees and are categorised below and are transparently detailed throughout this booklet so that informed decisions may be made in relation to payment of the associated fees.

- General Levies
- Bring Your Own Device (BYOD)
- Student Resource Scheme
- Year Level & Subject Fees
- Vocational Educational Programs (VET)
- Higher Subject Fees
- Camps/Excursions/Incursions/Other Activities
- Signature Programs
- Other Programs

The cost of providing instruction, administration and facilities for the education of every student at North Lakes State College is met by the State. The student must be an Australian Citizen or permanent resident or the child of an Australian citizen or permanent resident. Fees will be charged for those students enrolling who do not meet these criteria.

The following activities incur charges at North Lakes State College as prescribed under the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006:

1. Services, materials and consumables not defined as instruction, administration and facilities for the education of the student at the school e.g., textbooks, stationery, etc.
2. Education services purchased from a provider where the school is charged for the service e.g., Camps/Incursions/Excursions, Vocational Education Competencies, Swimming programs, performances and non-compulsory sporting events etc.
3. Distance Education instruction
4. Enrolment processing fee for students outside the College's catchment area.
5. Educational services provided to a person who is not an Australian citizen or permanent resident or the child of same.

The State Education Fees listed in this booklet were endorsed by the North Lakes State College P&C Association and we are pleased to provide the following information for your perusal.

I look forward to your support in ensuring your student starts day one prepared and resourced for the academic successes ahead.

Regards

John Thornberry
Executive Principal



GENERAL LEVIES

The following, non-refundable, general levy items are payable by all students from Year 4 to 12 irrespective of participation in the Student Resource Scheme. This levy is included in the Student Resource Scheme fee, whilst a General Levy invoice will be sent home for non-SRS participants.

Year Levels	Item/s	Cost
Year 4 to 5	Writers Toolbox – online essay tool	\$ 30.00
Year 6	Student printing balance top up College Diary Writers Toolbox – online essay tool	\$ 50.00
Year 7 to 8	Student printing balance top up College Diary Writers Toolbox – online essay tool	\$ 60.00
Year 9 to 12	Student printing balance top up College Diary Writers Toolbox – online essay tool	\$ 70.00

BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE (BYOD) P-12

Students are encouraged to bring their own portable computing device to the College as a tool to enhance curriculum delivery, for online research and for work production, creation and submission. Access to the both the BYOD program and the College WiFi are provided free of charge.

Please refer to the Parent/Carer BYOD Information document for approved devices and the minimum specifications required.

<https://northlakescollege.eq.edu.au/Facilities/Computersandtechnology/Pages/Computersandtechnology.aspx>

STUDENT RESOURCE SCHEME

Parents are directly responsible for providing textbooks and other personal resources for their children whilst attending school. North Lakes State College recognizes that these costs can be high and each year provides a Student Resource Scheme which is endorsed annually by the Parent's & Citizen's Association. The scheme is a cost-effective alternative to purchasing textbooks and/or resources elsewhere, through reduced prices gained from the College's bulk purchasing practices.

The scheme is not used to raise funds for any other purpose than to provide resources for your student and administration of the scheme. Participation fees are directly applied to fund the services delivered by the scheme. The scheme provides the entire package for the specified participation fee and is not available in parts unless specifically discussed and signed by the Business Manager.

The Student Resource Scheme includes textbooks and/or educational resources that, in the absence of the scheme, would normally be purchased by the parent for the student to use at school. The scheme may also include printed material such as workbooks and worksheets, produced by the College in lieu of prescribed textbooks.

Students in the Special Education Unit Program are provided on the same basis, access to all subject area resources for the context of learning and engaging with the content of peers. Individualized resources are developed to ensure that delivery of content and assessment is appropriate to the student's individual level.



BACKGROUND

What is provided by the Queensland Government?

The Queensland Government supports children's education by providing funding for instruction (teachers), facilities (internet, school grounds and buildings), 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 Student Resource Scheme (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 resources.

BENEFITS OF THE SCHEME

- Students have the required resources for their education whilst at school.
- The benefits from the savings that the College can secure through bulk purchase and discounts are passed on to families.
- The scheme saves parents/caregiver time and money in sourcing appropriate textbooks, e-learning resources and other materials supplied under the scheme.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Participation in the scheme is voluntary. A parent's decision to participate is based on consideration of the value afforded by the scheme. If a parent chooses to participate in the scheme and completes the Participation Agreement Form (PAF), a fee will be due and payable.

On lodgement of the completed Participation Agreement Form with the College and payment of the participating fee, in accordance with the agreed payment arrangement, the College will provide the items to the student for use, as they are required.

Payment of the participation fee by the parent is a requirement for continued participation in the scheme. An unpaid fee will be subject to Education Queensland's debt recovery processes and withdrawal of resources included in the scheme.

A parent who does not wish to join the scheme is responsible for providing the student with the items that would otherwise have been provided to the student through the scheme to enable them to engage with the curriculum.

All items provided for temporary student use by the scheme remain the property of the College and shall be returned at the end of the education program or school year or when the student leaves the College, whichever the earlier. Items provided for temporary student use shall be kept in good condition by the student.

Where an issued item is lost or negligently damaged or not returned, the parent will be invoiced and required to pay the replacement cost of the item.

The Student Resource Scheme **DOES NOT** include:

- resources funded by the state through grant funding to provide a core educational service including student internet access during class time
- personal protective clothing where required
- excessive printing (students using up their allocation will need to pay a top-up fee)
- College activities e.g., excursions, competitions, performances, camps, formals, jerseys
- Stationery, including note books, pens, pencils etc.



Note: Before a student can be considered for participation in an optional User-Pay College activity, a parent is expected to have:

- fully paid all outstanding fees; or
- paid the Student Resource Scheme and other outstanding fees up to and including the week in which the College activity takes place; or
- made regular on-going payments towards these fees, as previously arranged with the Business Manager.
- been exempted by the Executive Principal from paying all or part of these fees.
- a student, whose parent has joined the Student Resource Scheme but not paid the participation fees, will continue to be provided with instruction, administration and facilities for their education, however the student will have textbooks and resources withheld and will not be considered to participate in non-curriculum related College activities, such as senior jersey, formals, College dances etc.
- parents will be charged a pro-rata participation fee for a student who enrolls after the first week of school, calculated on a 40-week school year basis.

Information relevant to the costings of the Student Resource Scheme are available on our College website. The Student Resource Scheme fee structure for 2023 combines the General Items covered under the General Levy with the Student Resource Scheme to be one single fee.

Prep to Year 3	\$55.00
Year 4-5	\$70.00 (includes general levy items)
Year 6	\$80.00 (includes general levy items)
Years 7-12	\$270.00 (includes general levy items)

GOVERNMENT TEXTBOOK ALLOWANCE

The Department of Education pays a Government Textbook and Resource Allowance for Secondary students in bulk to the College for student in Years 7-12. Certain students are **NOT** eligible for this allowance, namely Exchange Students, Full Fee-Paying Student, Adult Students (aged 18 years and older) and students from other states enrolling after the cut-off date (the first Friday in August). Students who are ineligible will be charged the full cost of the School Resource Scheme without the Textbook Resource Allowance subsidy (on a pro-rata basis if only enrolled for part of the year).

The Department encourages schools to provide Student Resource Schemes to minimize costs for parents of which the Textbook Allowance subsidizes. Parents not wishing to participate in the Student Resource Scheme must apply in writing for the refund of this allowance.

The TRA per student is adjusted annually and the expected TRA for 2025 is:

Year 7 to 10:	\$160.00
Year 11 and 12:	\$348.00

NON-SRS PARTICIPATING STUDENTS

- Students in Prep to Year 12 will be required to provide all resources and/or textbooks, required for their year level. Lists are provided on the College website <https://northlakescollege.eq.edu.au/support-and-resources/student-resources>
- An additional invoice will be created for non-participating students when teacher created resources are provided instead of textbooks or other resources in a particular subject.



YEAR LEVEL & SUBJECT FEES (INDICATIVE ONLY)

These have been determined by the Heads of Department as the annual requirements per student to deliver the curriculum. Students participating in the Student Resource Scheme will be supplied all the requirements of their selected subjects excluding those that have higher costs (see Certificate Course and Higher Cost Subject Fees).

VOCATIONAL EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS (VET)

North Lakes State College is accredited as a Registered Training Authority in a number of subjects. This permits costs to be kept to a minimum whilst enabling our students access to otherwise high-cost certificate courses.

For students participating in the Student Resource Scheme, costs are absorbed. If a student is not participating in the Student Resource Scheme, then they will be invoiced for an additional fee as outlined in Certificate Course and Higher Cost Subject Fees section.

CERTIFICATE COURSE AND HIGHER COST SUBJECT FEES

Some subjects offered are very resource intensive and to meet these costs, there is an additional fee payable. An invoice will be generated to these students. Note: Consumables and costs for certificate courses are subsidized through SRS fees, so students not participating in SRS will be charged \$50 extra per subject/certificate to cover printing, consumables etc.

Subject	Subject Code	Comments	Non SRS Participants (per year)
Certificate II in Business (Workplace Skills & Financial Services)	VFI		\$50
Certificate III in Business	VBU		\$50
Certificate IV in Crime and Justice	VCJ	\$700 External RTO Fee	\$50
Certificate II in Outdoor Education	VOR		\$75
Certificate III in Fitness	VFT	\$500 External RTO fee	\$50
Certificate II in Engineering Pathways	VEP	External Costs	\$50
Certificate I in Hospitality	VHO		\$65
Certificate II in Hospitality			\$65
Certificate II in Kitchen Operations			\$65
Certificate III in Hospitality	VHS		\$65
Certificate III in Early Childhood & Education Students	VCE	\$300-350 /year External RTO fee	\$75
Visual Art	ART		\$95
Visual Arts in Practice	VAP		\$95
Design and Technology	DAT		\$75
Certificate III in Allied Health Assistance	VAA	\$950 External RTO Fee	

CAMPS/EXCURSIONS/INCURSIONS/OTHER ACTIVITIES

(OPTIONAL USER-PAYS NON-CORE COLLEGE ACTIVITIES)

Whilst the College endeavors to give as much notice for the payment of camps and excursions occasionally this is not possible. Parents may make small payments towards camps however the activity must be paid in full at least two weeks prior to the camp. Parents must be up to date with Student Resource Scheme, including payment plans, for students to be eligible to participate in these activities.

A list of all activities can be found on the college website. The dates and costs are subject to change.

<https://northlakescollege.eq.edu.au/Calendarandnews/Eventscalendar/Pages/Eventscalendar.aspx>



SIGNATURE PROGRAMS (BY APPLICATION ONLY)

Payment for these programs is required in full prior to the course commencement. For further information:

<https://northlakescollege.eq.edu.au/curriculum/excellence-programs>

Signature Dance L'il Kicks – Year 1 to Year 3 Mid Kicks - Year 4 to Year 6 Kicks - Year 7 to Year 12	
<i>No refunds are available after the eisteddfod/competition bookings and costume orders have been confirmed.</i>	
Staffing for Eisteddfods	\$120.00
Costumes (including repairs, purchasing and cleaning)	\$40.00
Accessories / props	\$20.00
Competition entry fees	\$70.00
L'il Kicks & Mid Kicks (Year 1 to 6)	\$200.00
Guest artist / choreographer	\$50.00
Kicks (Year 7 to 12)	\$300.00
Signature Golf Year 8 to Year 12	
Worksheets, School Bus use and other aides	\$200.00
Annual Fee	\$200.00
Uniforms (Polo - \$40, Training Shorts - \$30, Training Shirt - \$35, Jacket - \$80, Hat - \$35)	Up to \$220.00
Competition fees & other activities (paid throughout the year at competition times)	
Intercollegiate Golf Competition (one event per term)	\$200.00
Signature Basketball Year 6 to Year 12	
Training Aids & other equipment	\$20.00
Playing Singlet – provided for games	\$20.00
External Coaching Presentations	\$35.00
Annual Fee	\$75.00
Uniforms (Compulsory Bundle on joining – short sleeve shirt, shorts, singlet)	\$100.00*
Competition fees & other activities (paid throughout the year at competition times)	
Signature Basketball Camp (Rotation each year, every 3 rd year there is no camp)	\$220.00
Year 6 Brisbane Outer School Basketball League	\$40.00
Year 7-9 Brisbane Outer School Basketball League	\$40.00
Year 8-10 Sweet 16 Basketball Tournament	\$70.00
Year 10-12 Champion Basketball School of QLD	\$90.00
Signature Rugby Year 7 to Year 12	
Training aids and other equipment	\$55.00
Playing Jersey Hire – provided for games	\$20.00
Annual Fee	\$75.00
Uniforms (Compulsory bundle on joining – Training Shirt, Shorts, Socks)	\$70.00*
Competition fees & other activities (approx. excursion fees paid throughout the year at competition times)	
Coaching Course	\$25-40
Gold Coast All Schools 7's	\$80.00
Moreton Bay 7's /Ballymore Cup / Sunshine Coast 7's	\$25-\$40
Brisbane 7's Girls and Logan 7's Boys	\$10-\$20

*Signature programs compulsory uniform costs will change for continuing members. They also have other optional uniform items available for purchase, as well as replacements items.



OTHER PROGRAMS/FEEES – PAYABLE IN FULL

Choir		
CD and Booklet Pack	\$ 5.00	\$50.00
Entry Fees and Competition	\$35.00	
Props, Costumes and Accessories	\$10.00	
Choir Shirt – available from the Uniform Shop		
	\$50.00	

Instrumental Music Program		
Program Fee (Includes sheet music, competition entry fees)	\$75.00	ALL: \$75 program fee plus Hire: \$75.00 (if applicable)
	\$75.00	
Band Uniform – purchased from the Uniform Shop		
Excursions – students pay for travel costs		
Hire and Maintenance of School Owned Instruments	\$75.00	

Roboclub		
RoboCup Regional registration fee/per student	\$15.00	\$150.00
Consumable materials (USB's, mats, paint, journals, tables, obstacles)	\$50.00	
Training Aids	\$50.00	
Pro Rata of Team Registration Fees	\$35.00	
	\$150.00	

STATIONERY REQUIREMENTS

Stationery lists are published on the College website annually. Parents may purchase the requirements on the list from their shop of preference. The College does not specify a particular business and receives no financial benefit from businesses. <https://northlakescollege.eq.edu.au/support-and-resources/student-resources>



FINANCIAL INFORMATION

DEBT RECOVERY

Where a decision is made by parents to participate in an activity or to obtain a good or service that attracts a fee, there is a requirement to pay the fee in accordance with the College's payment terms and conditions for the activity, good or service. Failure to pay the fee will invoke debt recovery procedures.

FINANCIAL HARDSHIP

In circumstances of financial hardship, please contact the College Finance to discuss how the financial obligations can be met throughout the school year. This may be to negotiate alternative arrangements such as payment plans, Centrepay etc that may be available to accommodate individual circumstances, including waiving of the fee entirely or partly by the Executive Principal. In this instance, an Application for Financial Hardship Form is to be completed along with supporting documentation. In considering the provided information to substantiate financial hardship, the College will comply with the [Information Privacy Act 2009 \(Qld\)](#) and the Information Privacy Principles contained in Schedule 3 of that Act.

PAYMENT PLANS

Payments plans are negotiated on a case-by-case basis. To enquire about payment options please email finance@northlakescollege.eq.edu.au

Payment plans are not available for the Non-Core Curriculum Programs (including Signature, Choir and Instrumental Music programs). Students who are enrolled in these programs commit to a greater financial outlay that covers the cost of specialist coaching sessions from outside providers, transport to and from competitions, specialised curriculum resources, training sessions and uniforms.

REFUNDS (STUDENT RESOURCE SCHEME)

The College will make a pro-rata refund to the parent of a student who (having paid the Student Resource Scheme fee) completes an "Exit Details Form" and leaves the College during the year. The pro-rata refund is calculated on the fees paid, less general levy items, the cost of consumed materials and the replacement cost of scheme items that are lost, negligently damaged or not returned. It will also include the prorata Textbook & Resource Hire Scheme for applicable students.

GENERAL REFUNDS

A College fee is directed to the purpose for which it is charged. College fees for excursions and camps are calculated on a cost recovery only basis, according to the number of students who have indicated their attendance. Participation of students in an excursion or camp is indicated through payment of the excursion or camp fee and provision of a permission form completed by the parent/carer.

As the College budget cannot meet any shortfalls in funding for an excursion or camp due to the subsequent non-participation of a student who had previously indicated attendance of the activity, fees already paid for an excursion or College camp may be refunded in full or in part or not at all, having regard to the associated expenses incurred and the circumstances of the non-participation. Fees are calculated as close as possible to the expenses related directly to the excursion/incursion/camp but at times a deficit or surplus of funds can occur. With the support of the Colleges Parent and Citizens Association, in the event of this occurring where the amount is under \$20.00 per student the funds will be redirected into the program area that the excursion/incursion/camp is linked to e.g. English, Maths etc; when there is a deficit the program area will cover the shortfall from their individual faculty budgets.

If a parent/carer wishes to apply for a refund due to their child's non-participation in an excursion or camp activity prior to the cut-off date for refunds, they may do so by completing a Request for Refund form available from the College office. Where possible, the request should include the receipt relating to the payment for which a refund is being sought. It is preferred that refunds be made as a credit against the student's account at the College, and used for any cost in the future.

The College "Refund Policy" is available on the College web site www.northlakescollege.eq.edu.au



KEY DATES

Student Resource Scheme Participation Agreement Form (PAF)	
Completed SRS PAF due by Friday 31 January 2025 if changing options	
If Paying in Full	
Full Payment	Friday 31 January 2025
If paying by (Equal) Instalments	
First Instalment due	Friday 31 January 2025
Second Instalment due	Friday 28 March 2025
Third and final instalment due	Friday 30 May 2025

METHODS OF PAYMENT

BPOINT – ONLINE PAYMENT; OVER THE PHONE OR AUTOMATED DIRECT DEBIT

- BPoint is available to make credit card payments via devices and is our preferred method of payment.
- All the information required to make a BPOINT payment is available on our invoices and statements. Parents can simply click on the BPoint link in the box in the bottom left corner of the invoice and it will open a secure payment window with all your invoice details populated in the fields. If you are making payments via the Invoice Statement you will need to enter the invoice number and student's name manually. If parents are using the website link www.bpoint.com.au/payments/dete, you need to ensure that you enter the "Customer Reference Number" off the individual invoice, the "Invoice Number" and the "Amount".
- **BPoint IVR (Interactive Voice Response)** has now been introduced for credit card payments by telephone and is the Department's only method of over phone credit card payment. Please call 1300 631 073 and follow the prompts to make payment. Please have your invoice when calling to provide all the details required.
- **BPOINT eDDR (Electronic Direct Debit)** has also been introduced for your convenience. This is a payment solution that enables school clientele to set up payment plans on invoices via credit or debit card or alternatively, your bank account. BPOINT can automatically send emails and/or SMS to parent/guardians for their receipts, declined notifications or reminders of upcoming scheduled payments. Customers receive receipts and reminders straight to the email or phone. This process is also PCIDSS compliant. If you are interested in this payment option, please contact the College Finance on 3482 5555 or email finance@northlakescollege.eq.edu.au

QKR! APP

The Qkr! app (pronounced "quicker") by MasterCard is a secure, convenient and easy way to make single or multiple school payments in one payment.

North Lakes State College parents/guardians to order and pay for their student's school activities using their smartphone, tablet or computer.

An app for either android or Apple is available for download to your mobile device or you can access through the Qkr! By Mastercard web browser <https://qkr-store.qkrschool.com/store/#/home>

Please note that payments for non-core activities received through Qkr! can only be applied if the student is eligible for the activity. Payments made without an invoice will be applied to the student's account as a credit.

CENTREPAY

Regular payments can be set up online either by yourself or by the College. A Deduction Authority form can be obtained at either campus Administration or email finance@northlakescollege.eq.edu.au with a request. The College has the authority to cancel a Centrepay deduction that is in credit unless prior arrangements have been made with the Business Manager.



QPARENTS - www.qparents.qld.edu.au

QParents provides secure, online access to student information such as:

- Attendance details
- Behaviour
- Report cards/assessment
- Timetables
- Invoices
- Payment history
- Upcoming events
- Student photo

You are also able to update your child's details including address and medical conditions, submit reasons for unexplained absences, notify the school of future absences, and make online payments against school invoices.

IN PERSON

Payment by Credit Card, Debit Card, Cash, Cheque or Money Order, EFTPOS (Amex is not accepted).

Administration - Prep-Year 9 campus

Monday to Friday

8:00am to 11.30am

Administration - 10-12 Campus

Monday to Friday

8:00am to 12.00pm

DIRECT DEPOSIT

Internet Banking: Direct Payment into College Bank Account

Remember that Internet banking can take up to 3 business days to get to the College depending on your bank

1. BSB: 064-164
2. Account Number: 10237384
3. Account Name: North Lakes State College
4. Reference: Student EQ ID (from your invoice or statement)
5. Email receipt and/or advise of breakdown for payment to finance@northlakescollege.eq.edu.au

FINANCE CONTACT DETAILS

Email: finance@northlakescollege.eq.edu.au

Phone: 3482 5555 – option 4

FORMS AND FURTHER INFORMATION:

Signature Programs

<https://northlakescollege.eq.edu.au/curriculum/excellence-programs>

BYOD

<https://northlakescollege.eq.edu.au/facilities/computers-and-technology>

College Forms – SRS Year Level Fees, Financial Forms (State Education Forms), Stationery Lists

<https://northlakescollege.eq.edu.au/support-and-resources/forms-and-documents/documents>

or

<https://northlakescollege.eq.edu.au/support-and-resources/studentresources>