

November 2019

2020 College Charges

Dear Parent/Guardian,

East Doncaster Secondary College Council would like to thank you for your support of the College as we endeavour to provide the best possible education for your child.

In order to provide quality programs and a comfortable and efficient learning environment for our students, the College relies on strong support from the College community. The College Charges are designed to supplement the Government's allocation to schools to provide materials and services. These charges enable us to enrich and extend the learning experiences of our students in each subject.

Please find enclosed with this letter the 2020 College Charges Invoice. For further information regarding our Parent Payments Policy and Parent Payments document – Understanding Parent Payment Categories, please refer to our College website and the Compass Newsfeed.

<https://www.eastdonsc.vic.edu.au/parent-information/parent-payments>

Please note that the following subjects* at Year 10, 11 and 12 incur an additional charge. These will be itemised on a separate invoice. These essential education items must be paid by Friday 6 December 2019 or students will be withdrawn from these subjects.

High End Subjects 2020	Cost	High End Subjects 2020	Cost
Art - Mixed Media Year 10	\$65.00	Outdoor Education Year 10	\$300.00
Art - Photography Digital Year 10	\$65.00	Outdoor & Environmental Studies Units 1/2	\$570.00
VCD - Commercial Design Year 10	\$65.00	Outdoor & Environmental Studies Units 3/4	\$630.00
Art - Ceramics Year 10	\$65.00	Food Technology Year 10	\$125.00
VCD - Environmental Design Year 10	\$65.00	Food Technology Units 1/2	\$165.00
Multimedia Arts Year 10	\$65.00	Food Technology Units 3/4	\$165.00
Media Year 10	\$65.00	Product Design & Technology: Metal,Wood,Plastic Year 10	\$75.00
Media - Units 1/2	\$75.00	Product Design & Technology: Metal,Wood,Plastic Unit 1/2	\$130.00
Media - Units 3/4	\$75.00	Product Design & Technology: Metal,Wood,Plastic Unit 3/4	\$150.00
Art - Studio Arts - Arts Mixed Media Units 1/2	\$75.00	Materials Technology (Textiles) Year 10	\$75.00
Art - Studio Arts - Arts Mixed Media Units 3/4	\$75.00	Materials Technology (Textiles) Units 1/2	\$130.00
Art - Studio Arts - Photography Units 1/2	\$75.00	Materials Technology (Textiles) Units 3/4	\$150.00
Art - Studio Arts - Photography Units 3/4	\$75.00	Systems & Technology Year 10	\$20.00
Visual Communication Design Units 1/2	\$75.00		
Visual Communication Design Units 3/4	\$75.00		

*Conditional upon courses running

The College Charges are made up of three categories of payment:

Essential Student Learning Items are those items, activities or services that are essential to support student learning of the standard curriculum. These are items that the school considers essential for all students and which students take possession of. Parents may choose to provide the items themselves or buy the items from the school where practical and appropriate.

Optional Items are those items, activities or services that are offered in addition to or support instruction in the standard curriculum program. These are provided on a user-pays basis so that if parents choose to access them for students, they are required to pay for them.

Voluntary Financial Contributions

Parents can be invited to make a donation to the school for a general or specific purpose, e.g. school grounds projects, library fund or for new equipment. Only some Voluntary Financial Contributions are tax-deductible.

We seek your cooperation in the payment of the College Charges by **Tuesday 29 November 2019**.

We are offering two payment options for 2020:-

1. Full payment can be made by Cash, EFTPOS or Credit Card on or before **Tuesday 29 November 2019**.
2. Charges may be paid in two instalments with the first payment due on or before **Tuesday 29 November 2019** and the following payment of the total balance on **Monday 2 March 2020**.

If necessary, special arrangements for the payment of charges can be made by contacting Julie Lawrance, Accounts Receivable.

In 2020 we will continue with our whole school 1 to 1 Digital Learning Program for all students.

Our Year 7 students will be required to purchase a laptop, Year 8 students will continue with their laptop from 2019 and 9 students will use their iPad for the final year. The purchase of these devices is crucial to the learning program as students will access eBooks rather than an extensive number of expensive textbooks. Our Year 10, 11 and 12 students require a laptop. Details of the 1 to 1 Digital Learning Program for all students are available on Compass.

We thank you in anticipation and look forward to continuing an enjoyable and rewarding relationship with your child and your family.

Yours sincerely,



John Roberts
Principal - Executive Officer
East Doncaster Secondary College Council