Bracken Ridge State High School

Year 10 Student Resource Scheme

Annual Parent Information Letter



Dear Parents/Guardians,

This letter contains important information about the **2026 Student Resource Scheme (SRS)** including how the scheme operates and the annual participation fee.

The Queensland Government supports students' education by providing funding for:

- Instruction, e.g. teachers
- Facilities, e.g. buildings, amenities, furniture
- Administration, e.g. staffing and resources to administer the operations of the school.

Funding does not extend to individual student resources such as textbooks, equipment for personal use, and items used/consumed by the student in the classroom. Supply of these items is the responsibility of parents.

To provide parents with a cost-effective alternative to purchasing textbooks and/or resources elsewhere, Bracken Ridge State High School operates an SRS for 2026.

The scheme ensures that students have the resources required for them to engage with the curriculum for their education, and saves parents time and money in sourcing the prescribed materials elsewhere. Savings are gained through the school's bulk purchasing practices and hiring arrangements. The scheme is not used to raise funds for other purposes, and revenue collected through the scheme is applied only to the resources and operation of the scheme. The financial impact on parents and whether the school can absorb any of the cost has been considered before determining the SRS fee.

The scheme's operation, resource inclusions and participation fees were approved by the school's P&C Association at the meeting held on 20/08/2025.

SRS Participation

The objective of the scheme is to provide a convenient and cost-effective way for students to access the educational resources necessary to enhance their learning experience at school. The Department encourages parents to participate in the scheme. Participation in the SRS is optional, and no obligation is placed on a parent to participate. Participation is for the duration of your child's enrolment at the school.

Student is new to the school.....

Parents are required to complete and return the SRS Participation Agreement Form when joining the scheme for the first time. If no participation form is received by **27/01/2026**, the school will take the view that the parent has chosen to opt out of the SRS. The parent is then required to provide the educational resources listed in the SRS for their child by the start of the school year. A parent can opt in or out of the scheme in subsequent years by completing another Participation Agreement Form.

Continuing student of the school....

A parent's participation or non-participation in the scheme will continue as per their previously completed Participation Agreement Form. A parent can opt in or out of the scheme in subsequent years by completing another Participation Agreement Form.

If a parent has opted out of the scheme the parent is required to provide the educational resources listed in the SRS for their child by the start of the school year.

For more detailed information about the SRS can be found on the Department's website:

(https://ppr.qed.qld.gov.au/pp/student-resource-scheme-srs-procedure).

For general information on school fees and charges please see the 'parents and carers' site on School fees and charges.

Resource Inclusions

All resources included in the SRS are detailed in the attached **SRS Resource list.** This list is also available on the school's website. This is a comprehensive list of all resources included in the scheme and their associated costs.

Parents must inform the school if items on the list of resources are not received by their child when resources are distributed.



Type of Resources provided

Generally, the three types of resources that could be included are:

- **Owned** these items are retained by the student and used as required (e.g. stationery, exercise books, student diary).
- Used these items are used/consumed in class by the student (e.g. industry technology/cooking/art supplies).
 - work/items produced from these resources will remain the property of the student.
- **Hired** these items are hired to the student for their personal use for a specific period of time (e.g. textbooks, musical instruments, laptops).
 - Hired items must be returned to the school in good condition at the end of the hire period or if the student leaves the school.
 - A repair or replacement cost may be charged to the parent for any hired items that are damaged or not returned.

Costing Methodology

The schools SRS fee is calculated based on:

- 1. A flat fee for all students in the school, OR
- 2. A flat fee for a cohort group of students (e.g. a year level), OR
- 3. A general fee for all students or a cohort group plus additional fees for individual subject inclusions. Please refer to the SRS Resource list for the associated costings.

The Textbook and Resource Allowance

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 in the SRS. Information on the TRA can be found on the department's website (https://education.qld.gov.au/about-us/budgets-funding-grants/grants/parents-and-students/textbook-resource-allowance).

Year level	TRA Rate
Years 7 to 10	\$160 (2025 rate – 2026 rate yet to be published)
Years 11 to 12	\$348 (2025 rate – 2026 rate yet to be published)

The SRS Participation Fee

The SRS fee payable for the year is available in the attached information and published on the school's website. This also includes the TRA component which has been deducted to reduce the SRS fee payable.

^{*} If the cost of the SRS is equal to the TRA rate, no SRS Fee is payable.

Cost of SRS	TRA	SRS Fee Due
\$430.00	- \$160.00	= \$270.00

Sport Fee

The SPORT FEE covers costs involved in the participation in school sport programs. This (P&C approved) fee has replaced numerous individual payments. The Summer/Winter/Recreation fee will include: Year 7 – 11 Interschool Sport transport by bus, referees and venues; Year 7-12 all school, regional and district sporting carnivals including transport by bus, venues and Bramble Bay and Metropolitan North School Sport affiliation fees. Also included in these fees is equipment use as well as supervised sporting activities at external venues. Due to the disproportionate expense of some specialist recreational sporting options, such as ice skating, swimming and Revolution, the Fee will not cover participation in these specialist options. The vast majority of recreational sport options, however, will be covered. Also, on occasions where very small numbers of students are travelling to an event making bus hire uneconomical, private transport will still be required.



Voluntary Financial Contribution

A voluntary financial contribution is not part of a student resource scheme that might operate in the school, and is not included within the charging framework of a student resource scheme. This contribution is for the P&C Association to assist with various projects in conjunction with the school.

Parents/carers are encouraged to participate by forwarding their contribution along with the Student Resource Scheme Fee payment. Your assistance is appreciated.

Each State school is resourced by the State Government through grant funding to provide a core educational service to students. Voluntary financial contributions are used by schools to provide an enhanced educational service and to enhance resources available for student learning, recreation and comfort.

Operating Statement

- 1. The costs of providing instruction, administration and facilities for the education of students at the school are met by the State Government for students enrolled at the school who are Australian citizens or Permanent residents, or the children of Australian citizens or permanent residents.
- 2. The school is resourced by the State Government through school grants to provide a core educational service.
- 3. Section 56 of the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006 provides that the Principal may ask the parents of a student of the school to make a voluntary financial contribution to supplement government funding for instruction, administration and facilities for the education of the student at the school. If the student is an adult, the principal may ask the student to make a voluntary financial contribution.
- 4. Voluntary financial contributions are used by the school to provide an enhanced educational service and to enhance resources available for student learning, recreation and comfort.
- 5. A voluntary financial contribution is not a fee. Debt recovery action will not be undertaken by the school for non-payment of all or part of a request for a voluntary financial contribution.
- 6. A voluntary financial contribution is separate from a Student Resource Scheme that might operate in the school.
- 7. While the request to parents may indicate a nominated amount, the financial contribution to the school is voluntary, and there is no obligation on a parent to make all or part of the contribution.
- 8. To enable an informed decision to be made by the parent, the request for a voluntary contribution should indicate how the funds will be used by the school.
- 9. The school and the parents share decision-making and responsibility for the operation of the voluntary financial contribution funds. The amount of the requested contribution and the operation of the voluntary contributions are endorsed by the Parents and Citizens' Association annually.
- 10. The voluntary financial contribution is not to be a deterrent for a student enrolling at the school, participating in extra-curricular activities or undertaking a particular subject.
- 11. Where a parent decides not to make a voluntary financial contribution, instruction, administration and facilities for the education of the student at the school will continue to be provided by the school, and the student will suffer no educational detriment by way of school action as a result of the decision.

For any payment by cash, cheque or credit/debit card, a receipt will be issued.



Chaplaincy Donation

This donation is tax deductible and parents/carers are encouraged to participate by forwarding their donation with the Student Resource Scheme Fee. The Chaplaincy service supports students, staff and families on many issues and is funded by local churches and donations.

Financial Hardship

Parents experiencing financial hardship who are currently participating or wish to participate in the SRS should contact the school to discuss available options in confidence.

Payment Arrangement

Several payment options including a single payment for the full year's fee or term instalments are available. An instalment plan can also be negotiated with the school. All instalment plans must be approved by the school's Business Manager.

Any unpaid invoices will be managed according to the department's Debt Management Procedure. Only as a last resort, a Principal may use discretion to exclude a student from optional, non-curricular activities where a parent has an outstanding debt with the school. (https://ppr.qed.qld.gov.au/pp/debt-management-procedure).

Payment Method

SRS payments can be made by QParent/BPOINT, BPAY, EFTPOS (Credit/Debit Card), Cheque, Cash, Centrepay.

- Payment may be made through the QParents portal using a credit card. Payment will be directed from the QParents portal to BPOINT where relevant outstanding invoice information may be selected.
- When paying by BPOINT, please use the Customer Reference Number (CRN) and invoice number printed on the invoice received from the school. If unsure of the CRN, please contact the school.
- Centrepay Deductions are available to pay the SRS fees. Use Centrepay to make regular deductions from your Centrelink payment. Centrepay is a voluntary and easy payment option available to Centrelink customers. Go to humanservices.gov.au/centrepay for more information on how to set up your Centrepay deductions.

Contact Us

For all queries regarding the SRS and its inclusions, please contact the school and arrange an appointment.

(07) 3869 7222

admin@brackenridgeshs.eq.edu.au

Please complete the SRS Fee Payment Arrangement Form and return to the school administration office by 27/01/2026.



Bracken Ridge State High School

SRS Fee Payment Arrangement Form



Section 1: Student Details

Student Name	
Student ID	
Year Level	

Section 2: SRS Category

SRS Category – Year 10 2026	SRS Fee Payable	Option Selected
2026 Student Resource Scheme	\$270.00	
Subject Fees & Curriculum Charges Additional		
Sport Fee (as approved by P & C) - if option chosen below:		
Summer Sport Season	\$30.00	
Winter Sport Season	\$30.00	
Recreation Sport Season	\$20.00 + venue hire	
Student Laptop Scheme (2026 - 2028) as per signed agreement		
First payment (Deposit paid by 7 November 2025 – for use in Year 10)	\$300.00*	
Remaining balance (Due 30 January 2026)	Remaining (\$700.00*)	
Flexible payment schedule. To be arranged with Business Manager.	Approval required	
Bring Your Own (BYO) Device (annual fee to be confirmed)	\$30.00*	
(per device onboarded)		
Additional Subject Fees – Year 10 2026		
Food Specialisation	\$150.00	
Design Technology	\$150.00	
Additional Curriculum Charges – Year 10 2026		
Drama & Music – QPAC Excursion	\$60.00*	
English – Romeo & Juliet Performance	\$15.00	
Civics – Excursion	\$30.00	
Geography – Excursion	\$30.00	
Business – Excursion	\$30.00	
Japanese – Excursion	\$30.00	
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Work Placement – insurance fee	\$30.00	
Non-Compulsory Fees – 2026		
Instrumental Music:		
Ensemble fee (all students)	\$50.00	
Instrument hire fee – if required	\$60.00	
Large instrument hire fee (baritone saxophone & tuba only)	\$15.00	
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2026 Zenith Yearbook Pre-ordered and payment to be finalised by Term 3	\$35.00*	
Voluntary Financial Contribution (P & C Contribution) Optional – with thanks	\$40.00 Per family	
Chaplaincy Donation (Tax deductible) Optional – with thanks	\$25.00	
* Approximate cost		

Section 3: Payment Arrangement

Please select the preferred payment options:

Payment options	Instalments	Amounts	Option Selected
A single payment for the full year's fee Due by the end of Term 1	Instalment 1:	\$	
2. Term instalments (paid over the first 3 terms)	Instalment 1:	\$	
	Instalment 2:	\$	
	Instalment 3:	\$	
3. An instalment plan as negotiated with the school Instalment plans must be paid off in 10 fortnights from start of payment		\$	

Section 4: Return of the Participation Form

Parents are reminded to complete and return the SRS Participation Agreement Form when joining the scheme for tl	he
first time or opting in/out during the student's enrolment.	

have you completed and returned the SRS Participation Agreement Form	nr Yes 🗆	No □

Please note if you choose to opt out of the SRS, you are still required to complete and return the Participation Agreement Form.

Section 5: Parent Signature

Parent Name	
Parent Signature	
Date	



STUDENT RESOURCE SCHEME INCLUSION COHORT FLAT FEE Year 10 2026

In the table below is a detailed list of textbooks needed with approximate retail prices which has been itemised along with the cost of resources, equipment used for each individual subject.

GENERAL ITEMS	RESOURCE	TYPE	COST
Printing Credit		Owned	\$15.00
Computer Contribution Web Access Downloads		Hired	\$30.00

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ENGLISH	RESOURCE	ITPL	COST
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Poetry text – choice from (Tea	cher choice)	Tilled	\$15.00 - \$50.00
Various Texts	cher choice,	Hired	\$25.00
Play text – choice from (Teach	er choice)	Tilled	Ş23.00
"Romeo & Juliet"	er choice)	Hired	\$25.00
MATHEMATICS		Tilled	725.00
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SCIENCE		Tilled	730.00
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Assorted Cultural Resources		Used	\$25.00
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"Soundtrap" Program	Hired	\$9.00
"In tune with Music Book II"	Hired	\$18.00
VISUAL ART		
Resources, Equipment Cost [^] (Please see over page)	Used	\$150.00
Visual Art Journal x1	Used	\$8.90*

* Approximate cost

^ Resources, Equipment Cost

The types of items included in the <u>"Resources, Equipment Cost"</u> is equipment and materials, including consumables, provided for student use: -

- Additional text material
- Photocopying including class handouts
- Software, Internet access, videos
- **Science:** Experiment resources, specimens, organs for dissections, chemicals, glassware, microscopes & accompanying equipment etc.
- Art: Paper, pens, paints, clay, glue, brushes, 3D Media, Printing inks, textiles, glazes, print making, all consumables sheets (2D Painting/Drawing, 3D Sculpture/Ceramics), assignment/criteria (Access Library of various Art books), colour printing
- Design Technology: Consumable & non-consumable materials, workshop machinery & maintenance
- Digital Technology: Consumable & non-consumable materials, digital technologies & resources
- Drama: Class costumes, prop, set and technology
- Food Specialisations: Access to kitchen appliances, utensils, ingredients, recipe books and demonstrations
- **Music:** CDs and scores, instrumental access/maintenance, instruments, technology and software, performances. Please contact classroom teacher for list of relevant instruments prior to purchasing.
- Japanese: Cultural activities, calligraphy paper, brush & ink, origami paper

