

Years 11 - 12 Student Resource Scheme (SRS) 2024

Dear Parents / Caregivers,

This letter includes important information about the fees and inclusions for the Student Resource Scheme (SRS). If you have previously opted into 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.

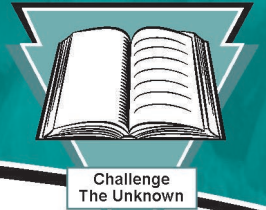
The SRS helps parents to source these resources. The school can purchase resources at lower rates due to its bulk buying power. Resources such as textbooks or musical instruments that will be used over a period of time are hired to students to further reduce costs for families. Participating in the SRS 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, equipment, ingredients, 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

A list of items by subject / year level is attached and is available on our website. 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 the participation as shown in the table below. Thus, the SRS invoice you will receive will be the full cost of participation in the SRS minus the TRA already held at the school.

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
\$557.00	\$317.00	\$240.00

Payment options

The following payment options are available for the SRS.

- A single payment for the full year's fees (Bpoint, Direct Deposit, Eftpos or Cash)
- Term instalments paid over the first 3 terms (Bpoint, Direct Deposit, Eftpos or Cash)
- An instalment plan as negotiated with the school (e.g. Bpoint, Direct Deposit, Centrepay, Eftpos or Cash)

Financial Difficulty

If you would like to participate, but are experiencing financial difficulties, please contact the school to arrange an appointment to discuss options.

Release of resources

Resources will not be distributed until full fees are paid, or first instalment is paid or a payment plan has been established. Any unpaid invoices will be managed according to the Department of Education'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.

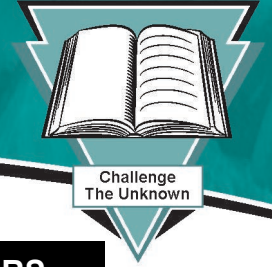
Return of hired resources

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:

Bray Park State High School Finance Department
Email: office@brayparkshs.eq.edu.au

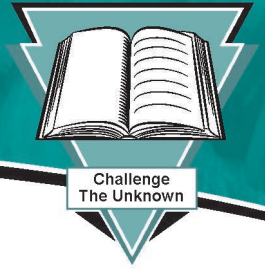


Supplied under SRS

RESOURCE	TYPE OF RESOURCE	RETAIL PRICE	SRS PRICE
ADMINISTRATION OF THE SRS	Hired	\$120.00	\$30.00
STUDENT PLANNER / DIARY	Owned	\$20.00	\$10.00
ID CARD	Owned	\$20.00	\$11.50
ADOBE CREATIVE CLOUD SUITE SOFTWARE	Hired	\$275.86	\$34.50
PROVISION OF LOAN EQUIPMENT EG EREADERS, EBOOKS, LAPTOPS, IPADS, AUDIO VIDEO TAPES, CLASS MUSIC INSTRUMENTS	Hired	\$1,500.00	\$190.00
PROVISION OF STUDENT CLASSROOM MATERIALS FOR PROJECTS (INCLUDES CREDIT FOR PERSONAL PRINTING)	Used	\$300.00	\$136.00
STUDENT SERVICES CRAFT, WORKSHOPS, SPECIALISED PROGRAMS - ACCESS & CONNECT CLASS RESOURCES	Used	\$400.00	\$145.00
SUBTOTAL		\$2,635.86	\$557.00
Less: State Textbook and Resource Allowance (provided direct to School, based on 2023 grants)		-317	-317
TOTAL COST		\$2,318.86	\$240.00

- Hire of all textbooks and class sets including electronic E-textbooks
- Printed class notes
- Reproduced class workbooks and teacher prepared material which compliment and/or substitute for textbooks
- Short term loans for all classroom resources as required (eg plays, novels or e-books)
- Provisions for practical learning experiences and materials, specialist presenters
- Access to subject specific teaching kits, videos and other reference materials
- Use of class sets (Eg atlas, dictionary, textbooks etc)
- Basic Technology and Design, Home Economics and Arts Materials, including aprons (this does not include food items, clothing, materials for Technology and Design and Home Economics items which the students take home)
- Student diary
- Student ID card
- BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) and associated software. Including, but not limited to Microsoft Office, Adobe, Virus protectors etc.
- Enhanced network and software access
- Access to Digital Video Library and Electronic databases
- Printing allowance
- Certificate subjects – printing of completed modules – workbooks included
- QCAA certificate printing costs
- Travel to and from Swimming carnival

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Items excluded from the scheme

- Personal protective clothing where required
- Excessive printing
- School activities eg excursions, competitions, performances, camps, reward days, formals, senior jerseys

Before a student can be considered for any of the above school activities, a parent / caregiver who has joined the scheme is expected to have:

- ✓ Fully paid the school fees; or
- ✓ Paid fees up to and including the week in which the school activity takes place; or
- ✓ Have made regular on-going payments towards outstanding fees, as previously arranged with the school.

Participation Agreement Form

Parents will need to complete the Participation Agreement Form (PAF) and familiarise themselves with SRS inclusions as published by the School and the Terms and Conditions detailed on the PAF.

- Pay SRS invoice/s as per the schedule nominated on the PAF.
- Ensure that any resources hired through a SRS are returned to the School in reasonable condition, or pay for the repair or written down value (see definition) of items that are not returned in reasonable condition.
- Where a student leaves the School part way through the year and damages or does not return an item, the School is entitled to deduct the costs of repair or replacement from any SRS pro-rata refund entitlement for that student.
- Repair or replace any lost or damaged resources purchased outright through the SRS for personal use (e.g. student diary).
- Approach the principal to request a fee waiver in cases of financial hardship, as outlined in the User charging procedure.
- Participation in a SRS must be for the full annual fee, there is no provision for part-participation.
- Where a parent has not completed the PAF and pays the annual SRS fee, this implies acceptance of the SRS Terms and Conditions regarding the temporary use of resources.

Parents who choose NOT to join the SRS in any year

- Complete the section of the PAF selecting that you do not wish to participate in the SRS.
- Provide the resources that would otherwise have been provided through the SRS

We look forward to your support in ensuring your student starts day one 2024 prepared and resourced for the academic challenges ahead.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Peter Turner".

Peter Turner
Executive Principal

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