



# Beerwah State High School

## STUDENT RESOURCE SCHEME 2019

Dear Parent or Caregiver,

Beerwah State High School operates a Student Resource Scheme which is approved by the Parents' and Citizens' Association. The scheme provides students with the resources they need to succeed in their studies. The scheme is designed to reduce costs to parents and it is based on the principles of economy, equity and manageability.

### **What are the benefits of a Student Resource Scheme?**

The following items are supplied through the scheme:

- Hire of all textbooks and class sets.
- Computer access, use of software not provided by the Microsoft agreement and internet use.
- Learning materials used in subjects that could be provided by parents but supplied by school to maximise economy of scale.
- Printed class notes, excluding colour photocopies and student's personal photocopying.
- Materials used for classroom projects.
- I.D. card and student welfare programs.
- Extra curricular photocopying.
- Use of specialised uniforms and or blazers at sporting events and formal occasions.
- Use of audio and visual recordings.
- Full administration of the scheme.

### **What is not provided by the scheme?**

- Costs of excursions.
- Personal student stationery and exercise books.  
**(Refer to the stationery list provided for each year level)**
- The scheme does not cover the cost for sporting events outside of the school, the cost of buses or the cost for venue entry.
- Consumable costs for some subjects in which students produce items that are taken home or consumed.
- The scheme does not cover the cost of excessive printing by a student. When this occurs additional fees will apply or printing privileges suspended.

### **Does my child qualify for the Government Textbook Allowance?**

Ineligible students are:

- Students from overseas countries. (Generally, all overseas students, including full fee-paying students and students on exchange programs attending Qld schools are not eligible. However students with permanent residence entry visa do qualify).

**Students who are ineligible to receive the Government Textbook and Resource Allowance will be required to pay: \$125 for students in years 7, 8, 9 and 10 and \$271 for students in years 11 and 12 which is additional to the Student Resource Scheme fee.**

The Textbook and Resource Allowance is paid only **once** in any calendar year, regardless of the number of schools the student attends.

The P&C have opted for the Textbook and Resource Allowance to be paid to the school and is applied to offset some of the costs of the Student Resource Scheme.

### **What are the Conditions of participating in Scheme?**

- A completed, signed and returned Participation Agreement Form.
- A minimum participation amount of \$100 is payable before resources will be issued.
- Books issued to students are kept in good condition.

- Students may be responsible for up to the full cost of books that are negligently damaged or lost before any further issues can be made.
- Resource Centre to be notified immediately of the loss of any textbook.
- All textbooks provided under the Scheme remain the property of the Scheme and must be returned when the student leaves or at the end of the school year.
- If a student starts school after first term, the fee is reduced on a pro-rata basis.
- If a student leaves school having paid a fee, a pro-rata refund will be made. Refunds are based on the full charge (which include the Textbook Allowance and parent/carers charge), less cost of consumed materials, administration of the scheme and/or cost of replacing lost or damaged textbooks and any other outstanding fees.
- Books and resources provided under the Scheme will not be issued to students whose parents/carers choose not to participate.
- Participation in extra-curricular activities **will be denied** where there are overdue/outstanding fees.

#### **What happens if I am experiencing financial difficulties?**

Families who expect to experience financial difficulties in making payments connected with this scheme are invited to telephone the school and speak to the Principal so that an appropriate response to the difficulty can be addressed.

Students receiving Austudy payments and their families are reminded that Austudy payments are intended to assist students in meeting education costs.

In conjunction with schools, Centrelink offers Centrepay which is a direct bill paying service available to customers who receive Centrelink payments. Please contact the school Cash Collection Office for more information.

#### **What happens if I agree to participate in the scheme and do not pay any of the amounts owing?**

Upon joining the Student Resource Scheme, participating parents/caregivers have entered into an agreement to pay certain fees in exchange for the use of textbooks and resources. There is therefore an obligation on participating parents/caregivers to make these payments or provide their own textbooks and resources. If a parent chooses not to honour this agreement, participation in the Resource Scheme may be terminated at the discretion of the Principal and hired textbooks, resources or other goods may be retrieved where:

- It is early in the unit or study,
- The parent/caregiver has not attempted to make payment, and
- No satisfactory arrangements for payment have been made.

The parent/caregiver is then responsible for providing all necessary textbooks and resources. The school will refund the Government Textbook Allowance on a pro-rata basis for the remainder of the school year less the cost of consumed materials and/or the cost of replacing lost or damaged books.

The student may not be able to receive school provided and funded exit documentation.

#### **Before a student can be considered for participation in an optional school activity, a parent who has joined the scheme is expected to have:**

- Fully paid the Student Resource Scheme participation fee and subject fees or
- Made regular on-going payments towards the Student Resource Scheme annual participation fee and subject fees or additional fees, as previously arranged with the principal or
- Been exempted by the Principal from paying all or part of the Student Resource Scheme participation fee.

#### **What happens if a book or resource is lost or damaged?**

Parents may be responsible for the full costs of replacement of materials or texts belonging to the scheme which are negligently damaged or lost by their son/daughter. Please advise the school Resource Centre so that arrangements for replacement can be made.

#### **What happens if my son/daughter has lost his or her student ID card?**

The initial student ID card is provided under the Student Resource Scheme.

The cost of replacement of a student ID card is \$10 through Cash Collection.

### What do I need to do now?

After reading this information and you decide to participate in the scheme – **please complete the green Student Resource Scheme Participation form**. Please return this form as soon as possible. You will subsequently be invoiced and payment can be made to the school as per the payment arrangement on the Participation Agreement Form for 2019. Any instalments of payment will need to be set up via BPOINT – Please see Cash Collection staff for more Direct Debit details.

### What happens if I do not wish to participate in this scheme?

Parents/carers who do not wish to participate in the Student Resource Scheme must contact the school and make an appointment with the school Principal within two weeks within the start of the year (Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February, 2019). The parent/caregiver is then responsible for providing all necessary textbooks and resources. You will also be invoiced for direct school supplies that are required under the resource scheme. You are expected to provide all necessary textbooks and resources for your children as detailed on the Subject Requirements Lists provided by the school. To ensure active participation in class, parents are requested to discuss with the Principal how resources will be provided so learning is optimised.

***A signed Student Resource Scheme Participation form must also be returned to the school indicating that you are not participating in the scheme.***

### How do I make a payment?

Payment can be made by way of cash, cheque, EFTPOS, Centrepay Deduction, BPOINT (direct debit options for bank accounts/credit and debit cards, weblink and telephone payments for credit/debit cards). If you are not currently receiving invoices and statements by email and would like to, please make your request via email to [admin@beerwahshs.eq.edu.au](mailto:admin@beerwahshs.eq.edu.au)

Cheques	Direct Debit	Credit / Debit Card	Centrepay Deductions
Please make cheques payable to "Beerwah State High School".	Provided with link through CASH COLLECTION for payment set up arrangements.	BPOINT Information on OneSchool Finance Invoices and Debtor Statements.	Direct bill paying service. Please see CASH COLLECTION staff for set up options.

**Payment of Student Resource Scheme is due by Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February, 2019** or by the end of Term 3 once a Payment Plan has been discussed and signed off by administration. **Subject Fee payments are due in full by end of Term 1 Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2019** unless special arrangement has been granted by administration.

### What does it cost to join the scheme?

	Year 7 & 8	Year 9 & 10	Year 11 & 12
Student Resource Scheme Fee	\$300	\$250	\$200

## What are the other costs?

Subject Consumable Fees (Subject Levy)							
Subject	Code	Yr 7	Yr 8	Yr 9	Yr 10	Yr 11	Yr 12
Art	ART	\$20	\$20	\$35	\$35	\$65	\$65
Biology	BSC					\$40	
Building and Construction Skills	BSK					\$100	\$100
Business	BST					\$80	
Certificate II in Hospitality	VHS					\$50	\$25
Certificate III in Business	VBU					\$210	
Certificate III in Early Childhood & Care	VEC						\$535
Certificate III in Fitness	FIT					\$290	
Chemistry	CHM					\$40	
Construction	CST			\$50	\$80		
Creative Fabrics	CFB	\$15	\$15				
Dance	DAN			\$25	\$25	\$45	\$45
Dance Extension Program	DEP		\$25	\$25			
Digital Production Studies	DPS				\$16		
Drama	DRA			\$15	\$15	\$40	\$40
Engineering	EGR			\$40	\$100		
Engineering Skills	ESK					\$200	\$200
Extension Athletics Program	EAP	\$75	\$75	\$75	\$40		
Fabric and Design	FAD			\$60	\$80		
Food Foundations	FFD	\$15	\$15				
Food Innovation and Design	FID			\$40	\$100		
Furnishing	FUR			\$40	\$100		
Furnishing Skills	FSK					\$200	\$200
Graphics	GPH			\$40	\$50		
Instrumental Music – Instrument Hire	IMU	\$120	\$120	\$120	\$120	\$120	\$120
Instrumental Music - Resource Fee	IMU	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50
Mathematics B/C	MAB					\$60	\$60
Mathematics Specialist	MAS					\$60	\$60
Mathematics Methods	MAM					\$60	\$60
Music	MUS			\$15	\$15	\$35	\$35
Physical Education	PED					\$34	\$40
Physics	PHY					\$40	
Production Technology	PDT	\$15	\$15				
Recreation	RCJ					\$35	\$35
STEM	STM			\$35			
Visual Art in Practice	VAS					\$65	\$65

These are **ADDITIONAL** fees on top of the Student Resource Scheme.

**Subject consumable fees must be paid in full by the end of term 1 in any calendar year.**