

Student Resource Scheme (SRS) 2024



Dear Parents/Guardians,

This letter includes important information about the fees and inclusions for the SRS. If you have previously opted in to 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 deciding 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, 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

Flat fee per student for the year level cohort. *Please note that elective subjects may incur additional charges which will be invoiced separately.*

If you are not satisfied that the SRS fee represents good value for money based on the inclusions (attached), 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 need to provide all items on the inclusion list for the student.

Please be aware that there may be two lines of charges on your invoice indicating the GST inclusive and GST exclusive fees depending on the resources supplied by the SRS.

If you have opted to pay the SRS by term instalments you will be invoiced the full amount with instalments (one third of the total SRS) due in the first week of Terms 1, 2 and 3.

Due Dates:

Instalment 1	Friday 2 February 2024
Instalment 2	Friday 26 April 2024
Instalment 3	Friday 19 July 2024

Parents are responsible for meeting the costs of the elective subjects in secondary year levels, and these will be invoiced on 5 February 2024:

- 50% deposit due Wednesday 21 February 2024

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- Balance due Wednesday 27 March 2024

Financial Difficulty

If you would like to participate, but are experiencing financial difficulties, please contact the school to arrange an appointment to discuss options. Any information that you provide will be confidential.

Release of resources

Resources will not be distributed until the full or first payment has been paid to the school. Any unpaid invoices will be managed according to the Department'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 our Finance Team via phone on 5490 2684, or email accountsreceivable@meridansc.eq.edu.au.

The Curriculum Student Resource Scheme Inclusions

The Curriculum Student Resource Scheme (SRS) is made up of three components. The three components are general items, resources for core subjects and resources for elective subjects. Resources for elective subjects are invoiced individually at the commencement of the school year.

2024 SRS – general items and resources for core subjects

Year Level	SRS Cost	Swimming & Carnivals	Year Level	SRS Cost
Prep	\$147.20	\$39.00	Year 7	\$259.00
Year 1	\$157.20	\$71.00	Year 8	\$256.00
Year 2	\$162.20	\$71.00	Year 9	\$129.00
Year 3	\$131.90	\$88.00	Year 10	- \$96.00
Year 4	\$130.90	\$88.00	Year 11	- \$273.00
Year 5	\$131.40	\$90.00	Year 12	- \$265.00
Year 6	\$142.20	\$135.00 <i>N.B. Includes interschool sport</i>	<i>N.B. Year 10, 11 & 12 textbook & resource credit to be applied against the elective subject costs. Lists attached.</i>	