

# 2024 FEE SCHEDULE AND INFORMATION

## SCHOOL FEES

Each year the College Board determines fees after considering the needs of the College to provide exemplary and inspiring Catholic education whilst managing the cost to parents.

|                           | 2023-24  | 2024-25  | 2025-26  | 2026-27  | 2027-28  | 2028-29  |
|---------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Full-time, day school fee | \$16,327 | \$16,631 | \$16,971 | \$17,190 | \$17,385 | \$18,236 |

The full-time, day school fee per student is structured to include all compulsory curriculum costs, College camps, retreats, reflection days, and extended learning activities along with all entry fees and other related costs required in the delivery of education.

Capital related charges are charged per family. This charge is used to offset all Capital related expenditure of the College each year and is *not* tax deductible. Only donations to the College Building Fund or College Scholarship Fund are tax deductible.

The College employs a Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) program to support the learning needs of students. Students are able to bring their own device from home or can purchase one from a retailer of their choice or through the College such as government funding, payroll tax obligations, inflation, interest rates, employment related costs and capital

investment are major considerations when determining an appropriate level of school fees to be charged to families.

Fee structures and billing procedures will be kept as simple and streamlined as possible. These structures and procedures will be communicated to parents/guardians via the Annual Fee Information available on the Siena Central Parent Portal and College website.

Instructions on how to use Siena Central can be found on the College website: [www.sienacatholic.edu.au](#)

## DISCOUNTS

A Sibling Discount is offered to families with more than one daughter enrolled at the College concurrently. The following discounts apply to *daughters only*:

- Second daughter 5%
- Third daughter 10%
- Fourth and subsequent daughters 50%

An offer is extended to all current and incoming families to elect to pay the following year's fees in advance. Payment of the annual school fees in full by the designated due date will receive an advance payment discount of 3%, which is subject to annual review.



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## SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS

As a general principle, staff employed at Siena College will be provided with a discount for the enrolment of their daughter/s at Siena. This is reviewed annually and will take Fringe Benefits Tax implications into consideration.

The Board of Siena College recognises and supports families who are suffering genuine financial hardship. The Application for Fee Variation process is a confidential, fair, and equitable system that considers all factors in the assessment, including but not limited to household income, assets, liabilities, and commitments. All applications for fee variation will be assessed by the Head of Finance and Services. Where it is deemed appropriate, a suitable concession to school fees may be applied.

Siena College offers families the option to pay one year's future fees in advance. Payment of one year's future fees in advance is accepted with the following provisions:

- Fees quoted will be the Board approved fee schedule by year level. Fees quoted include General Tuition Fee, Capital Fee and any further applicable charges.
- The percentage discount offered for annual payment in advance is not offered for the year in advance.
- There will be no further annual fee increases invoiced in the subsequent one year.
- Families will be required to pay for additional/extra-curricular charges such as music tuition and overseas trips.

If your daughter's enrolment ceases at Siena College during the prepayment period, a pro-rata refund will be calculated from the beginning of the next term after her exit.

If a place is held for a student who has an approved extended absence from the College, the following criteria and ruling will be applied:

- If the absence is for one term or less, there is no reduction in school fees payable.
- If the absence is for more than one term, a non-refundable holding fee of \$1,500 will be charged and a reduction of a pro-rata amount equivalent to the length of absence will be calculated and applied.

Family fee accounts will only be split on the condition that both parents/guardians sign a change of status form and a declaration of joint and several liability for Siena College school fees. This declaration can be provided by the College upon request. Following the receipt of the signed declarations by both parties, Siena College will undertake to split the family fee account.

If a student has an approved extended time to complete VCE studies, a pro-rata amount of school fees will be calculated on the basis of number of subjects enrolled in per year.