

Heatley Secondary College Student Resource Scheme Allocation 2024



Dear Year 8 Parents & Carers

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 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 planner – 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

Heatley Secondary College ensures the Student Resource Scheme is kept affordable for each student. It is only \$6.25 per week across 40 weeks of the school year.

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.

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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 participation as shown in the table below. Thus the SRS invoice you receive will be the full cost of participation in the SRS minus the TRA already held at the school.

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 .

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
\$396.00	\$146.00	\$250.00

The SRS fee for 2024 is \$250. This can be paid in full as a single payment or:

- a deposit of \$75 can be made by 9 February 2024
- a second instalment of \$100 due in Term 2 on 3 May 2024 and
- a final payment of \$75 in Term 3 on 26 July 2024.

What if I do not pay the Scheme fee?

Should you choose not to participate in the Student Resource Scheme, you are required to complete the Student Resource Participation Agreement form, tick NO and return this form to the School office. An invoice will still be issued for subjects-specific fees as well as a charge for required items supplied by the school, e.g. student diary, printing credit and ID card.

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 and arrange an appointment with:

Natalie Lindsay, Business Manager - 4726 8333 or bsm@heatleysc.eq.edu.au

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The Curriculum Student Resource Scheme Inclusions

The Curriculum Student Resource Scheme (SRS) is made up of two components. The components are general items and resources for core and elective subjects. The tables below detail the SRS inclusions for these components.

General Items	Resource	Type of Resource	Acquisition cost	Value (to parent)
General Items	Student Planner	Owned	\$11.00	\$11.00
	Student ID Card (external use)	Owned	\$6.00	\$6.00
	Printing Card & Credit (per year)	Owned	\$10.00	\$10.00
	Software Subscriptions	Used	\$59.50	\$59.50
	Bus Usage - All Subjects	Used	\$20.00	\$20.00
	Sports Affiliation Fees	Used	\$6.00	\$6.00
	House Hat (Y7s & new students)	Owned	\$17.00	\$17.00
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Grand Total			\$129.50	\$129.50

Subject	Resource	Type of Resource	Acquisition cost	Value (to parent)
English			\$295.00	\$99.00
	Novels	Hired	\$60.00	\$12.00
	Poetry Text	Hired	\$80.00	\$16.00
	Drama Text	Hired	\$45.00	\$9.00
	Language Text	Hired	\$60.00	\$12.00
	Software E Books	Owned	\$10.00	\$10.00
	Consumables	Used	\$10.00	\$10.00
	Reproduced Materials	Owned	\$30.00	\$30.00
Science			\$130.00	\$66.00
	Laboratory Consumables	Used	\$20.00	\$20.00
	Reproduced Materials	Owned	\$30.00	\$30.00
	Textbook: Science World 8	Hired	\$80.00	\$16.00
Drama			\$40.00	\$40.00
	Consumables	Used	\$20.00	\$20.00
	Reproduced Resources	Owned	\$20.00	\$20.00
Humanities, Geography, Civics & Business			\$70.00	\$70.00
	Consumables	Used	\$50.00	\$50.00
	Reproduced Materials	Owned	\$20.00	\$20.00
Health & Physical Education			\$60.00	\$60.00
	Consumables	Used	\$20.00	\$20.00
	Equipment	Hired	\$30.00	\$30.00
	Reproduced Materials	Owned	\$10.00	\$10.00
Digital Technologies			\$10.00	\$10.00
	Reproduced Materials & Consumables	Owned	\$10.00	\$10.00
Mathematics			\$110.00	\$62.00
	Reproduced Materials	Owned	\$50.00	\$50.00
	Textbook: Mathematics for Australia 8	Hired	\$60.00	\$12.00

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Visual Art			\$15.00	\$15.00
	Consumables	Used	\$15.00	\$15.00
Dance			\$20.00	\$20.00
	Reproduced Materials & Consumables	Owned	\$20.00	\$20.00
Digital Media			\$20.00	\$20.00
	Reproduced Materials & Consumables	Owned	\$20.00	\$20.00
Food Specialisations			\$145.00	\$97.00
	Practical Ingredients	Used	\$80.00	\$80.00
	Consumables	Used	\$60.00	\$12.00
	Reproduced Materials	Owned	\$5.00	\$5.00
Materials & Technologies Specialisations			\$30.00	\$30.00
	Consumables and Timber	Used	\$20.00	\$20.00
	Reproduced Materials	Owned	\$10.00	\$10.00