

## **Blue Hills College Fee Schedule for 2025**

The Blue Hills College Fee Schedule has been established by the College Council and the North NSW Education Board of Directors with a view to make Adventist Education affordable to many (note that fee increases will be limited to tuition only and inflationary related).

FEE SCHEDULE	K-Y6	Yr7-Y8	Y9-10	Y11	Y12
	Per Year				
Tuition	\$2,050	\$2,500	\$2,790	\$3,080	\$3,080
Consumables Fee (no increase)	\$380	\$515	\$515	\$515	\$515
Technology Fee (no increase)	\$75	\$210	\$210	\$210	\$210
Laptop Levy (no increase)		\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500
TOTAL	\$2,505	\$3,725	\$4,015	\$4,305	\$4,305

#### **FEE INCLUSIONS**

- Tuition
- Class Resources
- Special Events
- Locker (Secondary)
- College Publications
- 24 Hour Student Accident Insurance (Limited Benefit)
- Naplan
- Wellbeing Program
- Study Skills
- Most Sporting Fees

#### **FEE EXCLUSIONS**

The fee exclusions that are not reflected in the total gross fee are as follows:

- NCIS Sport and Recreation Programs
- Class and Subject Excursions
- Year Level Camps
- Overnight Excursions
- TAFE/External Course Fees

## **CONSUMABLES FEE** (Non-Refundable)

The consumables levy consists of the following:

- Stationery Kits & Textbooks (Primary)
- Textbooks Hire, Equipment & Materials (Secondary)
- Life Education (Primary)
- Swimming Lessons (Primary)
- Excursion to the Lismore Show (Primary)

#### **EQUIPMENT & STATIONERY** (Non-Refundable)

Textbooks are supplied on a hire basis by the college and will be issued by the subject teacher when the class first meets. Primary students are provided with all their equipment and stationery, including a homework bag. Replacement homework bags will incur a fee of \$15. Secondary students will be given equipment and stationery lists for the new-year by mid-December.

#### **BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE LEVY**

(Non-Refundable)

An annual Building and Maintenance levy of \$200.00 will be charged to each family. These funds are used to maintain school grounds and make provision for future developments.

#### CONDITIONS FOR PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

Fees are charged on an annual basis at the beginning of each college year; however, a statement will be issued each term until your account is settled. Revenue from fees allows the college to continue to provide the best possible resources and opportunities for your child. For this reason, it is important that fees are paid by the due date.

#### **PAYMENT OPTIONS**

**Option A**: Pay the total amount of annual fees (in advance) and receive an 8% discount on tuition only. **Option B**: A direct debit payment plan of weekly,

fortnightly, monthly, or term instalments.

#### METHODS OF PAYMENT

When paying the full fees up front, payment may be made at the college office via cash, cheque, EFT, or credit card. The college does not accept Diners or AMEX.

The only other payment option available is Direct Debit or BPay on a weekly, fortnightly, monthly or term basis, directly from your bank account or credit card. This enables parents to pay for fees over the course of the year. A Direct Debit Request Form is available from the college office. Families paying by instalments must inform the Accounts Office at the beginning of each year. NB: Associated bank penalties due to dishonoured payments, will be added to your account.

All accounts are to be finalised by November unless special arrangements have been made with the principal.

#### IMPORTANT NOTES FOR PAYMENTS

Payments made directly to the College bank account must include an identifying name/code to enable staff to recognise the payer and relevant account for receipting purposes. If an identifier is not allowed by the bank from which the payment is made, then the College must be advised the details of the intended deposit(s) by email to accounts@bluehills.nsw.edu.au

#### **FAMILY DISCOUNTS**

Family discounts apply to families with more than one child enrolled from Kindergarten to Year 12. This sibling discount applies to the tuition fees only, after all discounts and subsidies are deducted. The discounts are as follows:

First Child: Full tuition fee

**Second Child:** 8% tuition discount for both children **Third Child:** 18% tuition discount for all children

Fourth and subsequent

**children:** 28% tuition discount for all children

### **APPLICATION FEE**

A non-refundable application fee of \$80.00 per child is payable when applying for enrolment.

## **EXCEPTIONS**

Parents can submit a written request to the finance committee asking for an extension in time for payment of school fees. If there is an acceptable reason for the request will only be in cases of hardship or exceptional circumstances.

#### **ACCOUNT QUERIES**

All fee account enquiries and payment plans can be directed to Elly Conduit in the College Accounts Office or by email accounts@bluehills.nsw.edu.au

#### **DEBT COLLECTION**

If a family defaults on paying school fees, the college will initiate regular business practices for the procurement of these fees. In this event all costs born through the recovery process will be added to your account.

The college reserves the right to instigate any or all the following actions:

- 1. Your child's enrolment may be terminated
- 2. Your account may be sent to our debt collection agency
- 3. Litigation may be instigated against you

We regret having to take this course of action, however if school fees are not paid for in full, or a mutually acceptable payment plan is not in place, we may be left with no alternative.

# CHANGES IN ENROLMENT STATUS - NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL

Parents wish to cancel a confirmed enrolment place, must inform the college in writing as soon as possible before commencement of the term of entry.

Once a student is attending the College, one full term notice of withdrawal must be given, or one term fees may be charged in lieu of such notice.

#### **REFUNDS**

Refunds will apply to the tuition component of school fees. The consumables and technology fees and the Building and Maintenance fund are non-refundable.

#### **UNIFORM PURCHASES**

Uniforms are available to purchase from The School Locker. Store locations with BHC stock include Lismore (Southern Cross University) and Ballina (Homemaker Centre). Uniforms can also be purchased online at www.theschoollocker.com.au