

2021 Fee Schedule

APPLICATION FEE

A \$50.00 per student non-refundable fee must accompany the Application for Enrolment form. This fee does not guarantee that a place will be subsequently offered.

ENROLMENT DEPOSIT

A refundable deposit of \$250.00 per student is required to confirm an enrolment. This deposit is refundable when the student graduates or leaves, after completing at least one year at the College, and there is no outstanding debt owed to the College. The deposit will not be refunded if the place is not taken up.

TUITION FEES – FULL (includes Tuition, IT Levy & Text Book Hire Fees)

St Martins Lutheran College Council annually determines tuition fees, which cover the common costs for the tuition of students. The tuition fee also includes 24 hour student accident insurance, Chromebook program (Years 5-10), scientific calculator (Year 8), the Yearbook (College Magazine), most class excursions, visiting performances, swimming lessons (Years F-7), class consumables and resources. Year level camp costs are paid separately. Additional fees may be incurred for elective subjects.

2021 Annual Fees	Years F – 2	Years 3 – 4	Years 5 – 6	Year 7	Years 8 – 10	Year 11 - 12
First Child	3,518.00	3,603.00	3,778.00	4,853.00	5,333.00	5,628.00
Second Child	3,288.00	3,373.00	3,548.00	4,623.00	4,978.00	5,263.00
Third Child	2,898.00	2,983.00	3,158.00	4,233.00	4,548.00	4,803.00
Fourth + Child	335.00	420.00	595.00	710.00	710.00	560.00

BUILDING FUND (TAX DEDUCTIBLE DONATION)

A Building Fund donation is sought on behalf of each family to assist with the development and maintenance of College buildings. Because of its voluntary nature, it is fully tax deductible. Official receipts will be issued at the end of each tax year detailing your contribution.

\$180.00 per year, per family (\$45.00 per term)

PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS

All parents and/or guardians are required to complete a Direct Debit Payment Plan - this occurs upon confirmation of enrolment. Payment options include weekly, fortnightly, monthly and annually.

Unless an arrangement to pay in instalments has been made, it is expected that the total invoice is paid in full by 31st March 2021.

Variations of payment options to the Direct Debit Payment Plan must be negotiated with the Finance Office or Business Manager prior to commencement at St Martins.

Direct Debits currently in place will be adjusted to reflect 2021 fees.

EARLY SETTLEMENT DISCOUNT

Annual fees paid in full on or before 31st March 2021 will receive an early settlement discount of 5%. (Discount does not apply to the Building Fund donation).

TUITION FEES IF ELIGIBLE FOR SCHOOL CARD

The School Card scheme is administered by the Department for Education and Child Development for full-time students of low income families. Students who are eligible for assistance under the Government School Card scheme will receive a tuition fee discount. School Card applications open in January and discounts will only be applied to accounts once School Card approvals have been granted by the Department for Education and Child Development. An application needs to be completed annually.

The income limits for students attending non-government schools are different to Government & Catholic school limits (currently, approximately \$40,000). <https://www.sa.gov.au/topics/education-and-learning/financial-help-scholarships-and-grants/school-card-scheme>

2021 Annual Fees	Years F – 2	Years 3 – 4	Years 5 – 6	Year 7	Years 8 – 10	Year 11 - 12
First Child	1,927.00	2,012.00	2,187.00	2,781.00	3,021.00	3,094.00
Second Child	1,812.00	1,897.00	2,072.00	2,666.00	2,843.50	2,911.50
Third Child	1,617.00	1,702.00	1,877.00	2,471.00	2,628.50	2,681.50
Fourth + Child	335.00	420.00	595.00	710.00	710.00	560.00

FEE REMISSIONS

Fee Remissions are available to those considering an independent Christian education but who find themselves in a financial position that may exclude them. The College Council sets aside limited funding each year to provide fee concessions in compassionate support of families where special circumstances and genuine financial hardship exists. **Fee Remissions are considered in February of each year and families wishing to be considered for a remission in 2021 are required to complete an application form available from the Business Manager.**

If you are experiencing difficulty in meeting tuition fees, please contact the Business Manager. Students should not be enrolled on the assumption that a fee concession will be granted.

BUS SERVICES

The College contracted bus services attract the following charges;

Destination	Per student/per year	Capped at per family/per year
Port MacDonnell	655.00	1,310.00
Glencoe	440.00	880.00
Millicent / Tantanoola	655.00	1,310.00
Tarpeena / Nangwarry	440.00	880.00
Penola	655.00	1,310.00
Naracoorte	1,090.00	2,180.00
Mil Lel	440.00	880.00

Casual charges apply for occasional/ad-hoc bus travel.

CAMP COSTS

The following camp costs are an estimate for household budgeting purposes (based on pre-COVID 2019 figures). Actual costs will be advised by class teachers as the year progresses.

Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
25.00	-	80.00	155.00	-	610.00	200.00	200.00	250.00	200.00

PENALTIES

Accounts not paid by the agreed payment arrangement are then in default and become due and payable immediately. An administration fee will be added to accounts in default.

Should your direct debit arrangement be dishonoured a fee of \$2.50 will be added to your account.

The College Council reserves the right to terminate an enrolment when an account is in default. Students, whose fees are in arrears at the end of a term, will not be able to commence the following term.

Parents will be charged the replacement cost of lost/damaged College property and resources.

WITHDRAWING/EXITING STUDENTS

If a student will be withdrawing from the College, one term's written notice is required. Failure to provide a full term's notice will result in a term's tuition fee being charged in lieu of notice.

ADDITIONAL COSTS

Additional costs may occur for courses and activities that fall outside the standard curriculum, such as VET courses, Open Access, specialist/elective subject expenses, elective camps and travel expenses, optional sporting activities and competitions.

Students may have the opportunity to attend special functions which are arranged by the College but not part of the College learning program. These include events such as the Valedictory Dinner, Senior College Formal, end of year excursions, etc. Parents/guardians will be advised of such events in advance. Meeting the costs associated with special functions is a parental responsibility.

Other additional costs not covered by the tuition fees include SMOSHC (St Martins Out of School Hours Care), Vacation Care, uniforms, private instrumental music lessons (and related instrument hire fees, if applicable), graphic calculators, competitions, replacement of lost/damaged stationery (calculators, diaries, padlocks, etc.).

The College reserves the right to deny participation in optional programs such as overseas trips that incur user-pay charges, should the College fee account be in arrears.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

In the event of a child taking a leave of absence from the College for a term or more, 50% of the term tuition fee will be credited per child per term accordingly. A minimum of one full term's notice is required. Requests are required in writing to the Principal along with a completed 'Application for Exemption from School Enrolment/Attendance' form (available from the College office or the College website).

INDIVIDUAL MUSIC TUITION

Music tuition is offered by private tutors who use the facilities of the College. Payment for individual music tuition is made directly to the tutor by personal arrangement.

STUDENT STATIONERY PACKS

Each student will receive a pack of stationery, to be collected prior to the commencement of Term 1 2021. Collection times will be published in the College Newsletter prior to the end of Term 4 2020 and families will be informed via email. The cost of the stationery pack is included in the tuition fee.

CHROMEBOOK PROGRAM

All students in Years 8 to 10 will be provided a school issued Chromebook. These are paid for over a three year period at which time ownership passes to the student. Students who transfer in or out of the College during Years 8 to 10 will have the balance of the Chromebook cost applied or adjusted on the family fee account.

SMOSHC SERVICE

Families who utilise the College's SMOSHC service are required to pay all associated fees 14 days from the date of invoice. Families with outstanding SMOSHC fees may have their SMOSHC enrolment suspended until their account is in order.

SPLIT BILLING

Split billing may be available where two or more people living in separate households are responsible for the payment of school fees for a student.

Split billing does NOT avoid joint liability for payment of school fees but acts as a way of providing administrative assistance to the separate households. We strongly recommend organising this prior to the processing of school fees, as the College can not intervene in private matters.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Academic scholarships are available for students entering Middle and Senior school. Applications are usually advertised in May and June every year.

FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES

Families who experience difficulties in paying their College fees should approach the College before the fees are due and ask to discuss the matter with the Business Manager or Principal.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Please refer to the College Fees Policy - <https://stmartins.sa.edu.au/parents-portal/policies/>

Fee enquiries to finance@stmartins.sa.edu.au