



Runcorn State High School

Student Resource Scheme explanatory notes

The Resource Scheme is endorsed by the Parents' and Citizens' Association and has as its main function the reduction in cost for parents of the purchase of texts and resources for the education of their children. The fee for 2013 has been set at \$320.

Besides saving parents/caregivers money and the need to shop for textbooks, it ensures that all students have the resources necessary for their education. Textbooks, class notes (handouts), and some consumables will be provided whenever this is necessary. In some subjects, books and/or other materials are issued for the entire Semester whilst other materials and books will be issued only for the period that they are needed.

In addition to the \$320 from parents, the school receives on behalf of parents, a textbook allowance from Education Queensland as outlined in Paragraph 14 of the Student Resource Scheme Participation Agreement Form.

Benefits of the Scheme are outlined in Paragraphs 4 ~ 6.

- However, because the Scheme represents good value, almost all parents in the past have joined the Scheme.

Terms and Conditions of Participation in the Scheme are outlined in Paragraphs 22 ~ 36

- Students will supply their own personal requirements.
- Books issued to students are to be kept in good condition.
- Students may be responsible for paying up to the full cost of books that are negligently damaged or lost before any further issues or replacement can be made.
- The office must be notified immediately of the loss of any textbook.
- All materials provided under the scheme remain the property of the scheme and, if not consumables, must be returned when a student leaves the school or at the end of the school year.
- **The Principal may refuse to admit a student to the Scheme if there are hire payments overdue from the previous year or for failure to comply with these conditions.**

The Scheme Provides

... some or all of the following, depending on the choice of subjects studied

- Textbooks for issue to students on a long-term basis
- Class sets of books for use during individual classes
- Library resources
- Photocopied resources
- Other classroom resources such as videos and overhead transparencies
- Computer software and hardware
- Audio visual equipment
- Some consumables used in Manual Arts, Home Economics, Art and Performing Arts subjects
- Sporting equipment for Sport and Health & Physical Education
- Subsidised buses for some sporting activities
- ID cards and Student diary
- School Magazine
- An opening credit for each student's reprographics account managed by the Information Technology Department. This can be used to cover printing and photocopying
- Access to the internet
- Swimming Carnival 2013
- A small contribution from both Year 10 and Year 12 Resource Scheme will be made to these year levels' end of year activities. There are issues relating to attendance at these functions for students who are not members of the scheme.

Items not included within the scheme are:

- Personal stationery
- Consumable items eg computer disks
- School excursions, activities and camps

Is the Scheme compulsory?

Parents/caregivers are under no obligation to join the Resource Scheme. Participation is voluntary. Non-participating families will not be issued with textbooks or resources provided by the Scheme. In accordance

with paragraph 14 if not participating in the scheme, the Textbook and Resource Allowance will be retained by the school and each student is required to:

- Pay a fee of \$100 to offset the cost of those resources which are impractical for students to provide.
 - Examples of resources that individuals cannot supply are:
 - photocopied handouts
 - sporting equipment
 - some consumables and equipment used in Home Economics, Manual Arts and Art
 - software
 - some computing equipment, consumables and access to on-line programs
 - student diary, ID card and School Magazine
- Supply their own copy of required textbooks, novels, etc
- Supply their own copy of textbooks used within classes as class sets
- Supply their own resources where practicable including some computer program licences or software

Payment Arrangements

- Runcorn State High School does **not accept** American Express or Diners credit cards.
- We are also not able to offer BPay as a payment option at this time.
- Payments may be made directly to the schools bank account (internet banking) but please ensure the **student's full name or EQ number** are noted in the EFT Payment Reference.
- *For operational efficiency and to ensure quick service, please be aware that we bulk invoice the Resource Scheme fees prior to receiving the signed participation/non-participation forms. Invoices will be credited/adjusted accordingly once the participation/non-participation forms are received.*

Application for Consideration are outlined in Paragraphs 19 ~ 21.

Special Notes

- Students cannot be issued with any Textbooks, Resources or Equipment until the FULL AMOUNT OWING is paid (unless an Application for Consideration has been approved) or if any texts or resources on loan are overdue for return.
- Students losing a book will be asked to replace the book or pay the full price of the book before a new one is issued. Wilfully damaged books will have to be replaced at full cost to parents. Students habitually damaging books may be excluded from the scheme.
- The Scheme provides each student with a Student ID Card and School Diary. Replacement of either of these items for whatever reason will incur a cost of \$8.00 for ID Card and \$12.00 for a School Diary.

There are additional charges for some specific areas of studies which provide and require extra resources. Students who are required to pay these charges will be issued with a separate invoice requesting payment.

I T & D

Indus Engineering	\$35 Yr 11 & 12 p/sem
Indus Studies	\$35 Yr 11 & 12 p/sem
Furnishing Studies	\$35 Yr 11 & 12 p/sem

Home Economics

HEC Food Studies	\$20 Yr 8, 9, 10 p/sem
HEC	\$20 Yr 9 & 10 p/sem
HEC Early Childhood	\$20 Yr 9 p/sem
Hospitality	\$35 Yr 11 & 12 p/sem

Certificate Courses

Cert I Work Readiness (SEU Students)	\$10 p/year
Cert III Accounts Admin (MSTU)	\$80 p/year

Peforming Arts

Drama Levy	\$7 Yr 8, 9, 10 p/sem
Drama Levy	\$25 Yr 11 & 12 p/year
Film & Television	\$25 Yr 11 & 12 p/year
Instrumental Music	\$75 All Yrs with instr p/year
Instrumental Music	\$100 All Yrs school instr p/year
Instrumental Music	\$10 All Yrs – uniform p/year

Visual Art

Photography	Yr 11 & 12 \$20 p/sem
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Laptop Program

\$150 p/year

Cert II Hospitality (MSTU)	\$50 p/year
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