



MERREDIN COLLEGE

A Wheatbelt Independent Public School

2024 Contributions and Charges

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Year 8-12



learning close to home

This Booklet contains information on the following:

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All Contributions and Charges information and other school information, including the Merredin College Dress Code are readily available on the school website – merredincollege.wa.edu.au.

The government provides operational funding for teachers, facilities and equipment that delivers a comprehensive education for all WA students. The cost of course materials, services and facilities for educational programs are met jointly from grants, fundraising and parent fees and contributions.

Parents/carers who choose not to pay the voluntary contributions, reduce the school's capacity to provide these resources. Year 11 and 12 Subject Charges are compulsory payments and student participation on Extra Cost Options is conditional upon payment.

If you are experiencing financial hardship, payment plans are available. Please contact the Merredin College Administration Office on 9041 7520 if you would like to make this arrangement or if you have any other queries regarding the enclosed information.

All payments can be made via cash/cheque/EFTPOS at the Merredin College Office or by direct debit to **Merredin College BSB: 066040 Acc: 19903610**

8-10 Voluntary Contributions

The total amount of contributions parents/caregivers are being asked to pay has been set at \$235.00 per student. The quality of our teaching and learning program will be maximised when each family makes its contribution. **This equates to just \$1.18 for each day of the school year.** In 2024 your \$235.00 will be used to provide resources and materials in the following subject areas:

The Arts: Visual and Drama	\$35.00
English	\$25.00
Mathematics	\$25.00
Humanities and Social Sciences (HASS)	\$25.00
Technology and Enterprises: IT, Wood, Metal, Home Economics	\$70.00
Science, Including CORE	\$35.00
Physical Education and Health	\$20.00

11-12 Subject Charges

Charges for subject choices for all year 11 & 12 Subjects (ATAR, General and VET) are compulsory payments.

Code	Subject	Year	Charge
G1AET	Automotive Engineering and Technology General Unit 1	11	\$ 100.00
G2AET	Automotive Engineering and Technology General Unit 2	11	\$ 100.00
CPC20220	Construction Pathways - Cert II	11	\$ 200.00
BSB20120	Workplace Skills Cert II - Online	11	\$ 80.00
SAECHE	Chemistry ATAR Units 1&2 -SIDE	11	\$ 80.00
G1CFC	Children Family and Community Unit 1	11	\$ 50.00
G2CFC	Children Family and Community Unit 2	11	\$ 50.00
G1DRA	Drama General Unit 1	11	\$ 50.00
G2DRA	Drama General Unit 2	11	\$ 50.00
G1EES	Earth and Environmental Science General Unit 1	11	\$ 50.00
G2EES	Earth and Environmental Science General Unit 2	11	\$ 50.00
MEM20422	Engineering Pathways Cert II	11	\$ 200.00
AEENG	English ATAR Units 1&2	11	\$ 80.00

F1ENG	English Foundation Unit 1	11	\$ 40.00
F2ENG	English Foundation Unit 2	11	\$ 40.00
G1ENG	English General Unit 1	11	\$ 40.00
G2ENG	English General Unit 2	11	\$ 40.00
G1FST	Food Science and Technology Unit 1	11	\$ 100.00
G2FST	Food Science and Technology Unit 2	11	\$ 100.00
A1HBY	Human Biology ATAR Unit 1	11	\$ 50.00
A2HBY	Human Biology ATAR Unit 2	11	\$ 50.00
ICT30120	Information Technology Cert III	11	\$ 150.00
ICT20120	Applied Digital Technologies Cert II	11	\$ 150.00
SAEMPA	Media Production and Analysis ATAR Units 1&2 - SIDE	11	\$ 80.00
G1MPA	Media Production and Analysis General Unit 1	11	\$ 40.00
G2MPA	Media Production and Analysis General Unit 2	11	\$ 40.00
F1MAT	Mathematics Foundation Unit 1	11	\$ 40.00
F2MAT	Mathematics Foundation Unit 2	11	\$ 40.00
AEMAA	Mathematics: Applications ATAR Units 1&2	11	\$ 80.00
G1MAE	Mathematics: Essentials General Unit 1	11	\$ 40.00
G2MAE	Mathematics: Essentials General Unit 2	11	\$ 40.00
SAEMAM	Mathematics: Methods ATAR Units 1&2 - SIDE	11	\$ 80.00
A1HIM	Modern History ATAR Unit 1	11	\$ 50.00
A2HIM	Modern History ATAR Unit 2	11	\$ 50.00
G1OED	Outdoor Education Unit 1	11	\$ 100.00
G2OED	Outdoor Education Unit 2	11	\$ 100.00
A1PES	Physical Education Studies ATAR Unit 1	11	\$ 60.00
A2PES	Physical Education Studies ATAR Unit 2	11	\$ 60.00
G1PES	Physical Education Studies General Unit 1	11	\$ 60.00
G2PES	Physical Education Studies General Unit 2	11	\$ 60.00
SAEPHY	Physics ATAR Unit 1&2 - SIDE	11	\$ 80.00
52831WA	Prep for Health & Nursing Studies Cert IV	11	\$ 80.00
SAEPSY	Psychology ATAR Units 1&2 -SIDE	11	\$ 80.00
CHC30221	School Based Education Support – Cert III	11	\$ 200.00
G1VAR	Visual Arts General Unit 1	11	\$ 90.00
G2VAR	Visual Arts General Unit 2	11	\$ 90.00
G1MDTW	Woodwork General Unit 1	11	\$ 100.00
G2MDTW	Woodwork General Unit 2	11	\$ 100.00
SATAIT	Applied Information Technology ATAR Units 3&4 – SIDE	12	\$ 80.00
GTAET	Automotive Engineering and Technology	12	\$ 200.00

SATBLY	Biology ATAR Units 3&4 – SIDE	12	\$ 80.00
CPC20220	Construction Pathways - Cert II Year 12	12	\$ 200.00
SATCHE	Chemistry ATAR Units 3&4 - SIDE	12	\$ 80.00
GTCFC	Children, Family and Community General	12	\$ 100.00
GTDRA	Drama General	12	\$ 80.00
GTEES	Earth and Environmental Science	12	\$ 100.00
MEM20422	Engineering Pathways Cert II	12	\$ 200.00
ATENG	English ATAR Units 3&4	12	\$ 80.00
FTENG	English Foundation	12	\$ 80.00
GTENG	English General	12	\$ 80.00
GTFST	Food Science and Technology	12	\$ 200.00
SATGEO	Geography ATAR Units 3&4 - SIDE	12	\$ 80.00
ATHBY	Human Biology ATAR Units 3&4	12	\$ 100.00
ICT20120	Applied Digital Technologies Cert II	12	\$ 150.00
ICT30120	Information Technology Cert III	12	\$ 150.00
GTMDTW	Materials, Design & Tech: Wood General	12	\$ 200.00
FTMAT	Mathematics Foundation	12	\$ 80.00
ATMAA	Mathematics: Applications ATAR Units 3&4	12	\$ 80.00
GTMAE	Mathematics: Essentials General	12	\$ 80.00
SATMAM	Mathematics: Methods ATAR Unit 3&4 - SIDE	12	\$ 80.00
SATMPA	Media Production and Analysis ATAR Units 3&4 – SIDE	12	\$ 80.00
SATHIM	Modern History ATAR Units 3&4 - SIDE	12	\$ 80.00
GTOED	Outdoor Education General	12	\$ 180.00
ATPES	Physical Education Studies ATAR Units 3&4	12	\$ 120.00
GPES	Physical Education Studies General	12	\$ 120.00
SATPHY	Physics ATAR Units 3&4 - SIDE	12	\$ 80.00
SATPSY	Psychology ATAR Units 3&4 – SIDE	12	\$ 80.00
52895WA	Prep for Health & Nursing Studies Cert IV	12	\$ 80.00
GTVAR	Visual Arts General	12	\$ 180.00
SATVAR	Visual Arts ATAR Units 3&4 0 SIDE	12	\$ 80.00
BSB20120	Workplace Skills Cert II - Online	12	\$ 80.00
ADV	Advocacy	11/12	\$ 10.00
DST	Directed Studies	11/12	\$ 10.00
SEN	SEN - Students on Modified Programs	11/12	\$ 235.00
T2WCOOK	Transition to Work - Cooking	11/12	\$ 60.00
WORE	Transition to Work - Work Ready	11/12	\$ 105.00
T2WPE	Transition to Work - Physical Education	11/12	\$ 50.00
AVON	Transition to Work - Avon Youth	11/12	\$ 50.00

Note: Most Year 11 Courses are Semester Charges, Year 12, Certificate and SIDE classes are full year charges. Any other subject not listed and delivered by SIDE will also incur an \$80pa charge.

8-12 Additional Study Requirements

Suggested items for the home to help with study:

- Daily newspaper
- Dictionary
- Thesaurus
- Atlas
- Computer, Laptop or Tablet
- Internet Access

8-12 Voluntary Approved Requests

Merredin College also requests you consider contributing to the following specific programs/funds. All are a per student contribution.

Library Fund (Purchase/Replacement Books and Resources)	\$20.00
Sustainability (Renewable Energies and Water Conservation)	\$30.00
Technology Fund (Network, Printers, Specialist Technology Equipment)	\$20.00
School Chaplain Program (Pastoral Care)	\$10.00
P&C Association (General Fundraising)	\$ 5.00

8-12 Extra Cost Options

In Addition to subject contributions and charges there are additional charges for:

- (a) optional activities in any course for which there is a cost associated with their provision such as camps and excursions.
- (b) other optional school-based activities which address broad learning outcomes, school and social events such as graduation dinners or school balls.
- (c) optional purchase or other school-based items such as leavers jumpers, specialist school uniform and the school magazine, Combined Harvest.

Participation in optional activities is voluntary but a compulsory charge is applied if a student elects to participate. Payment will be requested during the school year when costs and participation by students is confirmed.

It is unlikely that all these items will occur in any one year. Students in practical subjects wishing to undertake substantial projects or use exclusive materials will be charged the purchase price of materials. Written approval will be obtained from parents prior to purchase. Year 8 electives are mandatory taster units and as such will not incur additional material charges.

The following pages have identified possible extra cost options for 2024 for each individual year group. The prescribed amount does not take into consideration fundraising opportunities which may reduce the cost of some camps and excursions.

Subject	Description	8	9	10	11	12
Automotive	Protective Clothing - Safety Boots, Work Shirt, Shorts/Trousers and Hat				280.00	280.00
Careers	Careers Expo and University Excursion		150.00	150.00		
Careers	Get into Resources Expo			60.00		
Children, Family and Communities	Excursions/Incursion				100.00	100.00
Construction Pathways	Protective Clothing - Safety Boots, Work Shirt, Shorts/Trousers and Hat				280.00	280.00
Construction Pathways	Personal Project Materials				1,000.00	1,000.00
CORE	Field Trips/Excursions/Camps	250.00	250.00	250.00		
CORE	CORE Polo shirt	60.00	60.00	60.00		
Country week	Attendance			750.00	750.00	750.00
Country week	Tracksuit (School Uniform)			120.00	120.00	120.00
Country week	Competition Polo			60.00	60.00	60.00
D & T Woodwork	Personal Projects Materials		100.00	100.00		
D&T - Metal Work	Personal Projects Materials		100.00	100.00		

Subject	Description	8	9	10	11	12
Drama	Artist Performance Excursion		100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Drama	WW 1 Perth Tour Excursions		50.00			
Drama	Workshop Incursion	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
Earth and Environmental Science	Fieldtrips/Excursion/Camps				250.00	250.00
Education Support	Independent Living Excursions Up to \$15.00 Per Term	60.00	60.00	60.00	60.00	45.00
Engineering	Protective Clothing - Safety Boots, Work Shirt, Shorts/Trousers and Hat				280.00	280.00
Engineering	Personal Project Materials - Cost Dependent on Project				1,000.00	1,000.00
English - All	Excursions/Events Cummins Theatre	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
English - All	Poetry Incursion	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50
English - All	Excursion - Theatre/Play/Documentary			300.00	300.00	300.00
English - All	English Competition	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
Food Science and Technology	Excursions/Incursion				100.00	100.00
Food Science and Technology	Additional Material/Ingredient Supplies				100.00	100.00
HASS	Curriculum Excursion - Regional Area	50.00	50.00	50.00		
HASS	Geography Competition	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
HASS	History Competition	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Health and Physical Education	Tennis Classic Competition and Finals	60.00	60.00	60.00	60.00	60.00

Subject	Description	8	9	10	11	12
Health and Physical Education	Interschool Sports Competitions	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Health and Physical Education	Netball West Coast Fever Cup	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
Health and Physical Education	Merredin Pool or MRCLC Entry	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00
History - Modern	Modern History ATAR Revision Book - Ordered Via School				40.00	40.00
Home Economics	Personal Projects Materials/Additional Food Costs		50.00	50.00		
Human Biology	Harry Perkins Excursion					120.00
Information and Computer Technologies	Computer Studies Competition	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
Information and Computer Technologies	3D Printing	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Leavers	Leavers Jumper/Jacket					120.00
Leavers	Awards Night Tickets					15.00
Leavers	Photos - Depending on Size and Number - External Order					
Materials and Design Technology Wood	Personal Projects Materials - At Cost				1,000.00	1,000.00
Mathematics - All	Mathematics Competition	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
Mathematics - All	Incursions/Excursion	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
Outdoor Education	Equipment and Incursions/Excursion		100.00	100.00	200.00	200.00
Outdoor Education	Rod Building Kit				130.00	130.00
Robotics	First Robotics Competition/Camp	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00
Science	SciTech Incursion	20.00	20.00	20.00		
Science	Physics Excursion Perth			120.00		

Subject	Description	8	9	10	11	12
Science	Photocopied Texts	20.00	20.00	20.00		
Science	Science Competition	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Visual Arts	Excursions Art Exhibition		150.00	150.00	200.00	200.00
Visual Arts	Materials and Portfolios		50.00	50.00	100.00	100.00
Volleyball Academy Program	Excursions, Competitions and Equipment (Excluding accommodation and travel)	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
Volleyball Program	Volleyball Academy Jacket and Playing Shirt	180.00	180.00	180.00	180.00	180.00
Other	Canberra Or Equivalent Tour		2,000.00			
Other	School Magazine Combined Harvest	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00
Other	Leadership Camp	180.00	180.00	180.00	150.00	150.00
Other	Print Credits - 10C B/W, 50C Colour (School Provides Initial \$15.00)					
Other - School Ball	Tickets			80.00	80.00	80.00
Other - School Ball	Photos - Depending on Size and Number - External Order					

8-12 Textbooks

8-10 Texts are purchased by the school and issued on a need's basis. Students may be billed if a book loaned to them is lost or damaged whilst in their care. Students are expected to purchase texts for some Year 11 and 12 courses only.

There has been a separate Champion Textbook List included with this information booklet for students in Years 11 and 12 to purchase required text online. These will be delivered to the school for distribution at end of January.

Please note Champion orders must be submitted by 8 December 2023.

8-12 General Personal Use Items

All students will require the following items. These items may need to be replenished during the year. Merredin College encourages you to support local business.

(Stationery Orders may be placed at Merredin Nextra Newsagency from 20 December 2023 for pick up in January 2024) - Please see enclosed order form.

- Subject Notebooks A4 96 page –1 Per Subject
Maths/English/HASS/Science/CORE 8-10
ATAR/General Subjects YR 11-12
- Subject Notebook A4 64 page - 1 Per Subject
Option/Practical Subjects/Health 8-10
ATAR/General/VET
- Clear plastic document wallets – one each subject
- 3 x Graph Books - **96-page A4 5MM graph – Whole Year**
- USB/Thumb Drive - 16Gb minimum recommended
- Large Pencil Case
- 3 blue pens
- 3 red pens
- 4 HB lead pencils
- Pack of 12 coloured pencils
- Pack of 12 textas
- 30 cm ruler—not metal
- Eraser
- Correction Tape
- Scissors
- Glue stick
- 2 x highlighter (different colours)
- Pencil sharpener with receptacle
- Compass
- Protractor
- Safety glasses
- Set of Headphones – Not Wireless
- **Calculator (8-12) Scientific Casio FX82AUPLU2ND or Abacus SXIIMATRIXN – (See Abacus Order Form)**
- **Calculator (11-12 ATAR)– CasioFX-CP400 (See Abacus Order Form)**

Note: Stationery supplies may need to be replenished throughout the year. Additional notebooks/plastic wallets may be required: minimum requirement is one notebook per subject throughout the year.

8-12 Other Personal Use Items

D&T 8-10:	2 x 2H Lead pencils 1 x Display Folder (With Plastic Sleeves)
D&T 11-12:	1 x Lever arch file with 20 A4 plastic sleeves 4 x 2H Lead pencils
Art 8-10:	1 x Display Folder (With Plastic Sleeves) 2x 2B Pencils 2x 6B Pencils 2x Erasers – Soft White Block 1x Ruler (Not Metal) 1x .4mm Nib Artline or Fineliner 1 x A4 Visual Arts Diary
Art 11-12:	2 x 2B pencils 2 x 6B pencils 1 x Pencil sharpener 2 x Erasers (soft white block) 1 x Ruler – Non-Metal 1 x A3 Lever Arch Art Folder or A3 Display Folder with Plastic Sleeves 20 x A3 Plastic Sleeves only if purchasing A3 Lever Arch Folder 1 x Black Fineliner 0.4mm 1 x Roll Masking Tape – Any Size 1 x A4 Visual Arts Diary
ICT 7-12:	Set of headphones (not wireless)
Home Economics 8-12:	Plastic Food storage container
Physical Education 8-12:	Hat - bucket style preferred, Collared polo shirt - house colours OR Interschool polo shirt, Specialist Sports Shirt (Volleyball Only), Tracksuit pants and shorts (Navy No Logos), Running shoes.
Outdoor Education 9-12:	Hat - bucket style preferred, Collared polo shirt - house colours OR Interschool polo shirt, Walking Shoes, Backpack, Cycling Helmet, Water Bottle, Swimwear (Appropriate bathers: no revealing bikinis or male brief type speedos).
YEAR 8-12:	Laptop as per Merredin College BYOD Plan

BYOD Program

BYOD (Bring your Own Device) refers to students bringing a personally owned device to school for the purpose of learning.

- Device is to be no older than 4 years old
- Screen Size should be no bigger than 15 Inches
- Devices must have keyboard capabilities
- Devices must support 5GHZ Dual Band 802.11a/b/ g/n wireless
- Battery Life of the device must last the day (no recharge available)
- All required software or applications must be preloaded
- **BYOD Use agreement must be signed**
- **Students must abide by the School Electronic Device Policy**
- **Merredin College does not take responsibility for any loss or damage and encourages parents to consider device insurance.**

Laptops will need to meet specific requirements to be connected to the school network.

Laptops in BYOD program must be Windows based. (No Apple Macs)

- 11-inch Display
- Intel Core i3-1115G4 Processor
- 8GB RAM
- 128GB SSD
- 720p HD Camera
- Wi-Fi Access
- Bluetooth
- USB, HDMI, Headphone and Microphone ports
- Windows 10 Pro National Academic Operating System
- Microsoft Office 365 – Available free from the Department of Education
- Google Chrome

JB Hifi and Winthrop Australia offer several devices that meet these requirements; however, you can purchase from any supplier or use a pre-owned device.

More Information is available in the Merredin College BYOD Plan 2024.

Financial Assistance

The Secondary Assistance Scheme (SAS) is available to secondary students whose parents hold Centrelink Family Health Care or Pension Concession Cards or Veterans Affairs Pension Concession Cards. SAS includes a Clothing Allowance (\$115.00 paid to school or parent) and Educational Program Allowance (\$235.00 paid directly to the school).

If you think you are eligible for the Secondary Assistance Scheme, please apply at the front office before the end of Term 1.

Students in Receipt of ABSTUDY are eligible for the ABSTUDY Supplement Allowance.

A Youth Allowance is available for eligible students through Centrelink when they turn 16 in Year 11.

Endorsed by the Merredin College Board 21 November 2023.