

# **Student Resource Scheme**

## Frequently Asked Questions

Indooroopilly State High School for many years has operated a Student Resource Scheme that is supported by the school community and endorsed by our P and C Association. Our scheme has offered a cost effective alternative to purchasing resources elsewhere, through reduced prices gained from the school's bulk purchasing practices.

As a result, the scheme has been able to provide outstanding resources to all students to enhance student learning outcomes. The scheme ensures that students have consistent resources for their education and saves parents time and money.

All revenue collected through the scheme is applied directly to the operation and provision of student resources. The scheme does not raise funds for any other purpose. It is a requirement of the Department of Education that the Participation Agreement Form is completed and signed via QParents. This should be done irrespective of whether or not you wish to join the scheme, as indicated by ticking either the "Yes" or "No" box on the form.

Please note that no resources will be issued to students without the return of this form.

Parents are now able to participate in the scheme for the duration of their student's enrolment at our school, saving the need to return the Participation Agreement Form each year. You are able to opt out in any year by advising our Administration Office before the invoice due date.

#### How do I participate in the Scheme?

Parents/Carers wishing to take advantage of the services outlined and agreeing to the conditions therein should complete the Student Resource Scheme Participation Agreement form via QParents.

Payment of the participation fee implies acceptance of the SRS including the Terms and Conditions.

#### How do I pay?

An invoice will be emailed to you. Payment can be made using BPoint at any time. Your reference details for BPoint are on your invoice. Payment can also be made using QParents. To minimise the impact of the SRS costs, Parents/Carers are able to negotiate an instalment plan so that payments can be spread across the year. Please contact either our Business Manager or Accounts Officer, to discuss.

#### Non-Participation

Parents/Carers who do not wish to participate in the scheme should complete and tick the non participation on the Agreement form via QParents. A list of the text books to purchase and resource costs is provided on the Non Participation in The Student Resource Scheme documents.

#### Textbook and Resource Allowance (TRA) Government Contribution

The Department of Education provides assistance to parents / carers of secondary school age students attending state and approved non-state schools to contribute towards the cost of textbooks and learning resources. This assistance is provided to the school once a year in the form of a Textbook and Resources Allowance (TRA). The school retains this allowance to offset the costs to parents.

#### Eligibility criteria for the Textbook and Resource Allowance

The following students are eligible:

- Students attending approved schools in Years 7 to 12
- Students in ungraded secondary school programs and who are at least 13 years of age on 1 January
- Students who are at least 13 years

of age on 1 January and attending state special schools and non-state special schools holding funding approval (15 years for senior secondary rate)

- Students undertaking courses in Australian Agricultural College campuses in Queensland equating to and in lieu of Years 11 to 12.
  The following students are NOT eligible:
- Students enrolled as full fee paying overseas students (FFOS)
- Students enrolled in a Centre for Continuing Secondary Education (CCSE)
- Students undertaking part time distance education from a non-state school accredited for distance education
- Students enrolled AFTER the first Friday in August.

### Non Payment of Fees

Fees apply to all students and it is essential that they are paid so that resources can be provided to students for their learning programs. Indooroopilly SHS ensures that student learning is well resourced and to a high standard. This cannot happen without your support. Students with outstanding fees may be ineligible to participate in non-curriculum school activities. So please set up a payment plan if required.