## ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC COLLEGE

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Dear Parents and Carers

## 2025 PRIORITIES AND FEE SCHEDULE

As we approach the end of the year, I'd like to share some updates about our priorities and the fee structure for 2025.

This year, St Joseph's Catholic College, together with all Catholic Schools Broken Bay (CSBB) schools, has continued to focus on delivering high-quality Catholic education. Three key areas we've been working on include:

- Strengthening our Catholic culture to foster learning, positive relationships, and student well-being.
- Providing consistent excellence in how the curriculum is taught across all year
  levels.
- Supporting our teachers with expert coaching and collaborative planning to enhance their impact in the classroom.

We have continued to prioritise collaborative coaching time for our staff which provides an opportunity each week to review teaching, learning and the progress of students with a School Leader. This initiative, along with the enhanced support being provided to staff in each of our classrooms, is helping each student achieve their best.

To manage these investments to enhance learning while keeping education affordable, we've worked hard to improve efficiency and limit fee increases. For 2025, the education fee increase will be 5.5% ensuring a balance between affordability and quality.

To ensure we are able to keep increases to the Education fee as low as possible for all families while maintaining a breadth of subject offerings, we will be introducing fees specific to resource intensive subjects, or where the College may provide access to specific resources parents/carers would otherwise be required to purchase. These fees will be billed at the commencement of the 2025 school year, for students enrolled in a particular grade or elective as outlined in the 2025 Schedule of Fees.

In order to keep the education fee as low as possible, costs for optional extra-curricular activities/programs will be charged on a user pays basis.

We remain deeply committed to ensuring no family misses out on a Catholic education due to financial difficulties. Sibling discounts will continue in 2025, providing families with extra support:

Number of Education Fees billed to an	Discount to the Education Fee
account	
1	0%
2	25%
3	55%
4+	100%

Please note that sibling **discounts apply only to children enrolled in CSBB systemic schools**, based on the number of Education Fees billed to a parent's account. Sibling Discounts do not apply to children attending non-systemic Catholic schools.

Where parents or carers have multiple accounts with CSBB, sibling discounts may not be automatically applied to the invoice. Once invoices are received early in February 2025, any queries should be directed to the School Fee Liaison Team.

Attached is the 2025 fee schedule for St Joseph's Catholic College. If you are experiencing financial hardship, we offer several fee support options. Please reach out to the School Fees Liaison Team via email (<a href="mailto:schoolfees@dbb.org.au">schoolfees@dbb.org.au</a>) or phone 7256 2888 for confidential support.

Thank you for your ongoing support and partnership in your child's education. We wish you and your family a restful break and every blessing for Christmas.

Yours sincerely,

Carolina Murdoch

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## St Joseph's Catholic College Schedule of Fees 2025

The 2025 fee structure for the first child enrolled at St Joseph's Catholic College is outlined below:

Description	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12
Education Fee	\$5,924	\$5,924	\$6,017	\$6,017	\$6,052	\$6,070
Resource Fee	\$150	\$150	\$150	\$150	\$115	\$115
Camps	\$410	\$450	\$635	\$600	\$395	
First Aid Course				\$80		

Supplementary Fes (applied to specific elective courses)

Description	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12
Geography Camp			\$210	\$210
Visual Art	\$100	\$100	\$100	
Timber	\$100	\$100	\$100	
Food Technology	\$150	\$150	\$150	
Hospitality			\$150	\$150
PASS	\$100	\$100		
Marine Studies	\$90	\$90		

Any other extracurricular charge other than those listed above are to be paid via our alternative payment platform (EFTPOS, Qkr, or CompassPay). This may include band, instrument hire, dance and costs associated with representative sport etc.