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Understanding Your Child's Account - Year 11 & 12

At Joseph Banks Secondary College, we value the support and partnership of our families in providing the very best educational opportunities for our students. We recognise that school accounts can sometimes be complex to navigate, particularly when they contain a combination of Contributions, Charges and optional items.

To assist families in understanding how their child's account is structured, we have prepared the following guide. This information explains the different types of charges that may appear on your account, which items are compulsory, which are voluntary, and how these contributions support the learning, wellbeing and opportunities available to students at the College.

Each year, all Contributions and Charges are carefully developed in consultation with Learning Area leaders and approved by the Finance Committee and endorsed by the College Board. Our aim is to ensure that students have access to high-quality resources, engaging learning experiences and contemporary facilities, while maintaining an affordable and transparent fee structure for families.

The examples provided below are intended as a guide only and are designed to help families better understand the information they may see on their child's account.

Example only

Subject/Other Items:
These are the subjects your child is undertaking at School and are compulsory charges

Subject/Other Items		Compulsory Charges	Total
GEBME - Business Management and Ent. General 11		$ 42.00	$ 42.00
GEENG - English General 11		$ 30.00	$ 30.00
GEGEO - Geography General 11		$ 32.00	$ 32.00
GEHBY - Human Biology General 11		$ 38.00	$ 38.00
GEHEA - Health Studies General 11		$ 50.00	$ 50.00
GEMAE - Mathematics: Essentials General 11		$ 56.00	$ 56.00
Total for Compulsory Charges		$ 248.00	$ 248.00
Voluntary Approved Requests			
Compass	$ 15.00		
First Aid	$ 10.00		
College Bus Replacement	$ 10.00		
P&C Contribution	$ 20.00		
Total for Voluntary Approved Requests			$ 55.00
TOTAL PAYABLE	Includes GST of **$ 0.00**		**$ 303.00**

Voluntary Approved Requests:
The school does not receive funding for these services and relies on the non-compulsory parent contributions. To assist in meeting the costs of services offered to students, the school requests that parents to contribute to:

- Compass – Supports parents access to Compass so you can be a part of your child's educational learning process
- First Aid – Contributions go towards keeping a fully functional First Aid post that is equipped with high-quality resources and qualified staff.
- College Bus Replacement – These contributions go towards the College bus and keeping transport costs to families lower for excursions and camps.
- P&C Contribution– The P&C is comprised of voluntary members who make a vital contribution to the school, in addition to operating the school canteen. Monies the P&C collect through fundraising activities and contributions are donated to the school for activities and much needed equipment and resources.

Payment of these costs is encouraged and appreciated.