



GERALDTON
SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Year 11
Contributions and
Associated Costs
2026



2026 Compulsory Charges

Dear Parents and Caregivers

We hope to improve awareness of the school's compulsory charges structure by including relevant information on the following pages.

Geraldton Senior High School is committed to keeping costs to a minimum whilst maintaining an interesting and engaging curriculum that provides equitable access to all students. All costs outlined in this booklet are approved by the school's Finance Committee and Board in accordance with the School Education Act 1999. This booklet also outlines the assistance available to parents and caregivers and the eligibility requirements that enable you to access assistance.

All parents and caregivers will receive a statement of charges for each child enrolled at Geraldton Senior High School. Schools rely heavily on parents and caregivers meeting their commitment in respect to these charges. Our capacity to continue to provide students with the consumables that enable us to present a quality curriculum is directly affected by your commitment to meeting these payments. Some optional courses have a higher charge based on the cost of consumables for that course.

Those who are unable to meet these costs by the end of Term 1 2026 are encouraged to contact the Finance Officer on 9965 8407 to enter into an agreed payment plan.

Thank you for your ongoing support in the education of your child at Geraldton Senior High School.

Karena Shearing

Principal



How Paying Course Charges Affects the School

Financial support provided by parents and caregivers has always played a significant role in enhancing a schools' capacity to add value to students' learning experiences. The continuing partnership between schools and parents and caregivers is vital in ensuring that all students receive a level of education that meets all Western Australian Certificate of Education requirements. Given that students are able to choose courses that will offer learning outcomes related to future local employment and/or further educational prospects, it is considered fair and equitable that all parents and caregivers pay for these courses. Similarly, it is generally considered unfair that some families could be expected to pay for the consumable components of courses for other students. This is different to Years 7 to 10 as students undertake compulsory studies in core subjects.

This school believes all parents and caregivers should pay compulsory charges that will cover the expenses resulting from their child's selection of courses and we are committed to maintaining an even-handed and reasonable approach to serving that ideal.

Voluntary approved requests are optional payments to contribute to specific funds and projects at the school including bus supplement, technology, chaplaincy program, library and Parents & Citizens Association.

In Year 11 all subject charges are compulsory and must be paid in full by Thursday 02 April 2026 or alternatively, you have entered into an agreed payment plan with the school. Students who participate in various elective courses may be charged for additional materials specifically used for special projects.

FINANCIAL HARDSHIP

Parents and caregivers who are experiencing financial difficulty may elect to pay the balance in instalments. Please contact our Finance Officer on 9965 8407 to discuss payment options. To check if you are eligible for the Secondary Assistance Scheme, please refer to Page 4 of this booklet.

Paying parents and caregivers expect NOT to subsidise non-paying parents and caregivers. The school is required to actively pursue the collection of compulsory charges and will do so. This is strongly supported by the School Board. Where there is an outstanding charge, the school will take steps to recover the compulsory charges due.

TAX INVOICE AND STATEMENT SUMMARY

This is your statement that details the compulsory charges associated with your child's proposed learning program and timetable. However, due to changes in student timetable selections, there may be adjustments to individual student costs throughout the course of the year. In light of this, please be aware that account balances may fluctuate.

\$70.00 Voluntary Approved Request

VOLUNTARY APPROVED REQUESTS

Requests for voluntary assistance from all year levels contribute to the school's ability to provide Chaplains for students and families; replace the school bus for use by all students during excursions, increase the availability of technology in classrooms, and better equip the P&C to minimize the need for additional fundraising.

Set out below is an explanation of the voluntary approved requests which appear on your child's statement of charges.

Technology - \$25.00	All students use computers, printers, scanners, digital cameras and the internet as tools to assist their learning across the curriculum. The school also purchases a wide range of software packages to meet the individual learning needs and interest of our students. The contribution assists with ongoing costs associated with this technology.
Bus Supplement - \$15.00	The school has three buses which are used to transport students to school excursions, camps and sporting events. This significantly reduces costs as hire buses are not usually required.
P&C Contributions - \$10.00	The P&C Contributions were set up to avoid the need for all families to participate in fundraising activities. Funds raised for the P&C are spent directly on projects that stakeholders feel are important and for the benefit of your children.
Chaplaincy Program - \$10.00	Students and families may be met with unexpected life challenges and situations. Our Chaplaincy Program enables the school to employ qualified staff to be available to both families and students to listen and guide, for mediation and referral to external agencies (where required).
Library - \$10.00	The school continues to replace resources in the library which support the learning of all students.



Accepted Methods of Payment

Payments can be made at the school administration between 8.30am and 3:30pm during school terms excluding public holidays by:

- ✓ Cash
- ✓ Cheque
- ✓ EFTPOS
- ✓ Credit Card – in person, by phone or by payment plan authority
- ✓ Direct Deposit

Account Name: Geraldton Senior High School
BSB No: 633 000
Account No: 165 575 135
Reference: Student's full name or Student ID number

2026 Secondary Assistance Scheme

Applications close **Thursday 02 April 2026**

Do you hold a Centrelink concession/health care card?

Financial assistance is available for holders of the following cards:

- Centrelink Health Care Card (**MUST** state student's name)
- Centrelink Pensioner Concession Card
- Veterans' Affairs Pensioner Card

The allowance consists of two components:

- \$235 Educational Program Allowance paid directly to the school
- \$115 Clothing Allowance paid directly to the parent/caregiver or paid to the school

Please apply in person at the school's administration where you must present your card to be able to complete your application – this is a mandatory requirement.

Please Note: Health Care & Pension cards must be current at the time of application.

- Applications commencing Monday **02 February 2026**
- Applications closing Thursday **02 April 2026**

Schedule of Charges

COURSE CHARGES

Compulsory charges apply to extra cost optional courses, where additional consumables are provided to students. This will be charged as a project fee eg. Woodwork project. Please note that the school does not make a profit from these charges as they are either passed on to external providers or used to purchase materials consumed by students.

Additional charges for optional extra activities which address broad learning outcomes may be offered to students (eg. social events, excursions, camps and competition entry fees). It is not possible to determine the actual cost of such future activities at this stage, therefore, the school provides parents and caregivers with an estimated maximum cost to enable them to budget for the year ahead. This information is provided with this booklet for your convenience.

When an activity is planned and the student chooses to participate, parents and caregivers will be notified of the final cost (which will not exceed the estimated maximum previously stated in this document. These activities are not compulsory, and students are not disadvantaged by not participating.

KEY POINTS

Fee Type	Year Level	What you are paying for
Course Charges (Compulsory)	Years 11 and 12	Resources for your child to use in the classroom such as the ability to do multiple experiments in Science, cook something a little different in Home Economics and everyone gets a little more material to use in Jewellery and other Technologies courses. Each course has a particular charge related to it as outlined on the following pages.
Voluntary Requests	All year levels	This payment helps the school make Chaplains available to students and families, replace the bus for all students to use in excursions, make more technology available in classrooms and better equip the P&C to avoid extra fundraising.
Optional Extra Activities and Project Fees	All year levels	<p>During the year, students may be invited to participate in additional excursions or may be inspired to build something large or use more elaborate materials. These are optional but must be paid for in order to participate.</p> <p>Students may be offered the opportunity to travel Intrastate, Interstate or Internationally for school camps. Participation by students is optional. *\$2000.00 to \$3500.00</p>

Learning Area	Course of Study	Code	Cost Description	Cost
*Associated estimated costs				
ENGLISH / EALD	English as additional language - General	F/GEELD	Course Cost	\$ 35.00
	General	GEENG / S	Course Cost	\$40.00
	ATAR	AEENG	Course Cost	\$40.00
HEALTH & PHYSICAL EDUCATION	Outdoor Education - General	GEOED	Course Cost Camp/Excursion Total	\$100.00 *\$70.00 \$170.00
	Physical Education - General	GEPES	Course Cost	\$60.00
	Health Education - General	GEHEA	Course Cost	\$60.00
	Health Education Studies - ATAR	AEHEA	Course Cost	\$80.00
	Certificate II Sport and Recreation	C2SR-A	Course Cost Provide First Aid (HLTAID011) Total	\$80.00 *\$50.00 \$120.00
HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES	Modern History ATAR	AEHIM	Course Cost	\$50.00
	HASS In Action	GEHAS	Course Cost	\$40.00
MATHEMATICS	Essential - General	GEMAE	Course Cost	\$35.00
	Applications - ATAR	AEMAA	Course Cost	\$35.00
	Methods - ATAR	AEMAM	Course Cost	\$50.00
	Specialist - ATAR	AEMAS	Course Cost	\$50.00

Learning Area	Course of Study	Code	Cost Description	Cost
*Associated estimated costs				
ARTS	Design Graphics	GEDESG	Course Cost	\$95.00
	Visual Arts - General	GEVAR	Course Cost	\$130.00
SCIENCE	Human Biology - General	GEHBY	Course Cost	\$65.00
	Human Biology - ATAR	AEHBY	Course Cost Step up Human Biology (Study Guide & Exam Revision) Total	\$65.00 \$40.00 \$105.00
	Physics - ATAR	AEPHY	* See SIDE Booklist Course Cost * Step up Physics (Study Guide & Exam Revision) Total	* \$60.00 \$40.00 \$100.00
	Chemistry - ATAR	AECHE	Course Cost Step up Chemistry (Study Guide & Exam Revision) Total	\$70.00 \$40.00 \$110.00
	Marine and Maritime - General	GEMMS	Course Cost	\$115.00
LIGHT- HOUSE	ASDAN Module 1	ASDAN1	Course Cost	\$80.00
	ASDAN Module 2	ASDAN2	Course Cost	\$80.00
	Total			\$160.00
SKILLING THROUGH ENTERPRISE PROGRAM - STEP	English - General	GEENG S	Course Cost	\$40.00
	Mathematics - General	GEMAE S	Course Cost	\$35.00
	Career and Enterprise	G2CAE S	Course Cost	\$30.00
	Workplace Learning	ADWPL S	Course Cost	\$100.00
	Building and Construction - General	GEBCN S	Course Cost	\$150.00
	White Card		Course Cost Per participating student	\$65.00

Learning Area	Course of Study	Code	Cost Description	Cost	
*Associated estimated costs					
TECHNOLOGIES	BUSINESS & COMPUTING	Certificate II Work Place Skills	C2WSA	Course Cost	\$55.00
	HOME ECONOMICS	Food Science and Hospitality - General	GEFST	Course Cost	\$95.00
		Fashion & Textiles	GEMDTT	Course Cost	\$60.00
TECHNOLOGIES	DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY	Automotive Engineering and Technology - General	GEAET	Course Cost	\$95.00
		Building and Construction - General	GEBCN	Course Cost	\$95.00
		Metal Work - General	GEMDTM	Course Cost	\$110.00
		Jewellery - General	GEMDTMJ	Course Cost	\$150.00
		Wood Work - General	GEMDTW	Course Cost	\$150.00
VET		White Card Training		Cost per participating student	*\$65.00
		Workplace Learning	ADWPL	Course Cost	\$100.00
		Career and Employability	G2CEM	Course Cost	\$ 30.00
WARLUGURRA WALGAMANYULU		English as additional language - General	GEELD W	Course Cost	\$ 35.00
		Mathematics Foundation	FEMAT W	Course Cost	\$ 35.00
		Food Science - General	GEFST	Course Cost	\$ 95.00
		Outdoor Education - General	GEOED	Course Cost Camp/Excursion Total	 \$100.00 *\$70.00 \$170.00
		Certificate II – Skills for Work	C2SWW-A	Course Cost	\$60.00

Learning Area	Course of Study	Code	Cost Description	Cost
*Associated estimated costs				
GIGAMAN GAWALA	English as additional language - Foundation	FEELD G	Course Cost	\$35.00
	Mathematics Foundation	FEMAT G	Course Cost	\$35.00
	Physical Education - General	GEPEs	Course Cost	\$60.00
	Career and Enterprise - Foundation	FECAE	Course Cost	\$50.00
OPTIONAL EXTRAS	Your child may be invited to participate in a camp, excursion, competition and/or require additional items for a special project.			*\$5.00 to \$900.00
	In 2026, students may be offered the opportunity to travel intrastate, interstate or internationally for school camps. Participation by students is optional.			**\$2000 to \$5000.00
	Events		Cost per participating student - Rewards/Events	*\$5.00 to \$250.00
	Leavers Jacket		Total Uniforms (Only)	*\$130.00
	Instrumental Music Instrument Hire		Cost per participating student	\$125.00
	School Combined Band Shirt		Cost per participating student	*\$100.00

Notes :



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