



GERALDTON
SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL



Year 12 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 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 12 all subject charges are compulsory and must be paid in full by Thursday 02 April 2026 or alternately, you have entered into an agreed payment plan with the School.

Students that 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.

VOLUNTARY APPROVED REQUESTS

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

\$ 70.00 Voluntary Approved Request

VOLUNARY 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 pit 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	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. 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

Learning Area	Course of Study	Code	Cost Description	Cost
*Associated estimated costs				
ENGLISH / EALD	Foundation	F/GTELD	Course Cost	\$35.00
	General	GTENG	Course Cost	\$40.00
	ATAR	ATENG	Course Cost	\$40.00
HEALTH & PHYSICAL EDUCATION	Outdoor Education - General	GTOED	Course Cost Camp/Excursion Total	\$100.00 *\$70.00 \$170.00
	Physical Education - General	GTPES	Course Cost	\$60.00
	Health Education - General	GTHEA	Course Cost	\$60.00
	Health Education - ATAR	ATHEA	Course Cost	\$80.00
	Certificate II Sport and Recreation	C2SR-B	Course Cost Provide First Aid (HLTAID011) Total	\$80.00 *\$50.00 \$120.00
HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES	Modern History - ATAR	GTHIM	Course Cost	\$70.00
	HASS In Action	GTHAS	Course Cost	\$40.00
MATHEMATICS	Essential - General	GTMAE	Course Cost	\$35.00
	Applications - ATAR	ATMAA	Course Cost	\$35.00
	Methods - ATAR	ATMAM	Course Cost	\$50.00
	Specialist - ATAR	ATMAS	Course Cost	\$50.00

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*Associated estimated costs				
ARTS	Design Graphics	GTDESG	Course Cost	\$95.00
	Visual Arts - General	GTVAR	Course Cost	\$130.00
SCIENCE	Human Biology – General	GTHBY	Course Cost	\$65.00
	Human Biology - ATAR	ATHBY	Course Cost Step up Human Biology (Study Guide & Exam Revision) Total	\$65.00 \$40.00 \$105.00
	Physics - ATAR	ATPHY	Course Cost Step up Physics (Study Guide & Exam Revision) Total	\$65.00 \$40.00 \$105.00
	Chemistry - ATAR	ATCHE	Course Cost Step up Chemistry (Study Guide & Exam Revision) Total	\$70.00 \$40.00 \$110.00
	Marine and Maritime Science – General	GTMMS	Course Cost Total	\$145.00
LIGHT-HOUSE	ASDAN Module 3	ASDAN3	Course Cost	\$80.00
	ASDAN Module 4	ASDAN4	Course Cost Total	\$80.00 \$160.00
GIGAMAN GAWALA	English as additional language – Foundation	FTELD	Course Cost	\$35.00
	Mathematics Foundation	FTMAT	Course Cost	\$35.00
	Physical Education - General	GTPES	Course Cost	\$60.00
	Career and Enterprise - Foundation	GTCAE	Course Cost	\$50.00

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*Associated estimated costs					
TECHNOLOGIES	BUSINESS AND COMPUTING	Certificate II Work Place Skills	C2WSB	Course Cost	\$60.00
	HOME ECONOMICS	Food Science and Technology - General	GTFST	Course Cost	\$95.00
	DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY	Automotive Engineering and Technology - General	GTAET	Course Cost	\$95.00
		Building and Construction - General	GTBCN	Course Cost	\$95.00
		Materials Design and Technology: Metals - General	GTMDTM	Course Cost	\$110.00
		Materials, Design and Technology: Metals (Jewellery) - General	GTMDTMJ	Course Cost	\$150.00
Materials Design and Technology: Wood - General	GTMDTW	Course Cost	\$150.00		
VET	White Card Training		Cost per participating student	*\$65.00	
	Workplace Learning	ADWPL	Course Cost	\$100.00	
WARLUGURRA WALGAMANYULU	English as additional language - General	GTELD W	Course Cost	\$ 35.00	
	Mathematics Foundation	FTMAT W	Course Cost	\$ 35.00	
	Food Science	GTFST	Course Cost	\$ 95.00	
	Outdoor Education - General	GTOED	Course Cost Camp/Excursion	\$100.00 *\$70.00 Total \$170.00	
	Certificate II – Skills for Work	C2SWW-B	Course Cost	\$ 60.00	

Learning Area	Course of Study	Code	Cost Description	Cost
*Associated estimated costs				
UNIREADY	Fundamentals of Academic Writing (PCURAW)	UNIREADY	Course Cost	\$200.00
	Introduction to Humanities (PCURH)			
	Introduction to Health Sciences (PCURCH)			
	Foundation of Communications (PCURCM)			
OPTIONAL EXTRAS	Your child may be invited to participate in a camp, excursion, competition, extracurricular activity 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
	School Ball		Cost per participating student	*\$100.00
	Year Book		Cost per participating student	*\$20.00
	Leavers Jacket		Total Uniform (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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