

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS, CHARGES & COSTS 2026

Information Booklet

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Welcome Letter

Welcome to Hedland Senior High School

Hedland Senior High School has established a reputation for providing a supportive learning environment, providing quality teaching in a wide range of engaging and interesting subjects and courses.

The small voluntary contributions for Year 7 to 10 of **\$235.00** that we seek from you will open doors for your child to most of our courses.

Please be advised that all Year 11 and 12 *Subject Charges* at Hedland Senior High School are charged and therefore **payment is compulsory**. *Extra Cost Optional Components* and *Other Optional Costs* will also incur additional charges where **payment is compulsory**. The school relies very heavily on the payment of these charges to enable our additional courses/programs to be adequately funded. Your support with regards to prompt payment is greatly appreciated.

We understand the costs of schooling can be a burden for many families, particularly at the beginning of each year. We offer a range of payment strategies to assist families in meeting their commitments. The impact of parents not paying these charges is that we may be forced to adjust courses to fit within the constraints of a reduced budget.

This year we are offering a 10% discount on your children's contribution and charges if they are paid in full by the 31 March 2026. This discount will only apply for payments paid in full.

To allow for planning/budgeting it would be appreciated if all Voluntary Contributions and Charges could be paid in full by the end of Term 1 2026. Payments not received by this date may result in your child being moved to a lower cost subject or being removed from the specialist program. If this is not possible, we request that you enter a payment plan ideally paying via a Direct Debit Agreement with the School. To discuss entering a payment plan please contact the Manager Corporate Services, Karen Ballantyne, on Tel: **08 9158 1900**. This booklet also contains information regarding the Secondary Assistance Scheme 2026, which you may be eligible to go towards school expenses.

Our new school uniforms will be available for purchase online through our Uniform Supplier's website – Nell Gray (Uniform Concepts)

All students commencing year 7 in 2026 will be expected to purchase the new uniform ready for day one of school in 2026 and a full sizing kit is available at the Administration Office.

If you require any further information or have any queries that are not answered in this booklet, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards,

Mike Ciccotosto
Principal

Payments from parents for contributions and charges are used towards the cost of providing an educational program that meets the requirements of the Curriculum Framework. Non-payment of contributions and charges can result in the school being unable to deliver the educational programs efficiently and effectively. The costs are detailed on your child's Charges and Voluntary Contributions invoice/statement. The school also offers a range of payment options to assist parents (please see Methods of Payment).

Voluntary Contributions

A payment requested from parents towards the cost of materials, services and facilities used by Years 7-10 students in the educational program. The contributions collected from parents/guardians are used towards providing materials, services and facilities directly used or consumed by students, including hire of textbooks or the provision of text material.

Approved Voluntary Requests

To assist in meeting the cost of other services offered to students, the school requests parents to contribute to:

- Student Facilities –
 - Technology – used to assist the school in the management and upgrading of the school's IT systems and for the purchase of software programs to assist with the delivery of the curriculum program, including an application portal that securely shares attendance, class, pastoral care and result information with parents.
 - Facilities – used in maintenance, upgrading and enhancing existing school facilities and will contribute to any new building projects in the school grounds.
- Library – this cost is used towards the resourcing and updating of library materials for all students and is a valuable resource in assisting your child with their educational programs.
- Contributions for P&C – comprised of voluntary members who make a vital contribution to the school. Monies the P&C collect through fundraising activities and levies are donated to the school for activities and much needed equipment and resources.
- Youth Services – provides a valuable service to the students and their families by encouraging, motivating and inspiring young people to be the best they can be.

Payment of these costs is encouraged and appreciated.

Charges

All charges are compulsory and apply to high-cost options (called extra cost optional components) in Years 7-10 that are alternative to parts of the program covered by the contribution. Students can opt to participate in courses and activities. These include:

- Optional courses in Years 7-10 which have a high cost associated with their provision.
- Optional activities in any course for which there is a high cost associated with their provision (for example excursions, camps, visiting performers or displays). This category includes options within a course of study where higher cost materials may be chosen; and

- Other optional school-based activities which address broad learning outcomes and for which there is a high cost (for example school social events, such as year 12 dinner or school ball, or excursions). Participation in these components is voluntary, but a charge is payable and compulsory if the student opts to participate. The charge associated with the provision of these activities, services or facilities covers the cost of providing the service or running the activity.
- All subject costs for Year 11 and 12 are charges and payment is **compulsory**. Parents/Guardians who hold a concession card may be eligible for financial subsidy for the charges through the Secondary Assistance Scheme. (Please refer to the section in this booklet for more information)
- All Upper School Year 11 & 12 charges, all Extra Cost Optional Components and Other Charges, are all the compulsory part of the contributions and charges. If fees have not been paid by the end of Term 1, or if no payment plan has been put in place and commenced, your child may be at risk of being moved to a lower cost option subject, and/or being removed from their specialist program.
- The Specialist Arts program incurs a compulsory charge for children who participate in this program. There are limited spaces available for this program, so it is important to ensure fees are paid promptly to secure your child's place. If fees have not been paid by the end of Term 1, or if no payment plan has been put in place and commenced, your child will be removed from their relevant program.

Other Additional Costs

These are services or facilities which students might choose to use. Schools make provision for these on a cost-recovery basis. Examples include

- Year 12 End of Year Dinner
- School Diary Replacement
- Year 11/12 Ball
- Year 9/10 Canberra/Sydney Tour
- Country Week
- Year 12 Presentation of Sashes

These costs are regarded as extra cost optional charges and are payable if students participate in them or use them.

Personal Items

These are personal items that students need to own, and these include stationary items, calculators, workbooks etc. The list is detailed and provided in this booklet. These can be purchased from any supplier. Hedland SHS put together a 'Tool Kit for Success' which comprises of a calculator, pencil case, pencil, pen, ruler, a two-ring binder, lined paper and a notebook. This can be purchased from Administration for \$30.00.

**Administration Office Hours: 7.30am – 3.30pm Monday to Friday during school terms
excluding public holidays**



Payment Options Available

EFTPOS: The school has EFTPOS facilities at reception.

CASH

BANK TRANSFER: Payments can be made to the school via direct bank transfer.

BSB: 066-543

A/C Number: 1002 5636

Name: Hedland Senior High School

Reference: Student Name

CREDIT CARD: Credit card payments can be made either by phone or in person via the EFTPOS Machine.

Parents are reminded that full payment of all compulsory charges is due by the end of Term 1 2026, unless other payment methods have been arranged with the Manager Corporate Services.

Please note that the school may undertake a debt collector for any compulsory charges not paid.

If you have any queries concerning any of these methods of payment please contact the Manager Corporate Services, Karen Ballantyne, on Tel: (08) 9158 1900



School Uniforms – Compulsory

Our new school uniforms are available for purchase online through our Uniform Supplier's website – Nell Gray (Uniform Concepts). <https://www.nellgray.com.au/Schools/Hedland-Senior-High-School>

All students commencing year 7 in 2026 will be expected to purchase the new uniform ready for day one of school in 2026.

Uniforms will be available for pre order online.

A full sizing kit is available at the HSHS Administration office to try on before you order.

All students are required to wear school uniform, which assists in the development of pride in oneself and one's school.

The compulsory uniform consists of a polo shirt and shorts. There will also be a selection of other non-compulsory clothing options available to purchase. Students must also wear enclosed shoes. Students are not to wear their own clothing to school unless prior permission has been granted by the principal.

An extra shirt is also required for physical education. Students can wear their own sports top from home.

SmartRider Cards/Student ID Cards

Trans Hedland requires students to have a SmartRider Card, which enables them to tag on and off the bus for a discount school fare. This includes the student ID on the reverse of the card.

Students receive their first Smart Rider Card free of charge, and they are valid for the entire five years at HSHS.

Replacement cards may be ordered for \$5.00 if the original card is lost or damaged. Payment is made at the administration office, and a new card will be ordered. Cards typically arrive within one week of the order being placed.

The card production is outsourced to a company in Perth, and the company will need to access information about your child from the school database. This includes name, address and date of birth. If you do not wish your child to be issued with an ID card, please advise the School on Tel:

(08) 9158 1900

Students will require to use their SmartRider card to sign in and out on our kiosk system in Administration and Student Support when arriving late to school and leaving early.



Activity/Additional Costs 2026

Learning Area	Item	Cost
Health and Physical Education	Interschool Athletics – Hedland	\$50.00
	Country Week 2026 – Perth	\$2,000.00
	Interschool Swimming Carnival – Karratha	\$150.00
	Year 7-10 Lightning Carnival – Karratha	\$150.00
	Newman Cup	\$150.00
	Broome Football & Netball Carnival	\$250.00
HASS	Year 9/10 Canberra/Sydney Tour	\$4000.00
The Arts	Arts Away Camp	\$3500.00
	YoHFest	\$100.00
	Specialist Arts Program (SAP)	\$200.00
	YoHFest Finals	\$2,000.00
	Upper School Photography Excursion	\$80.00
	SAP Bonding Camp	\$500.00
	Pilbara Music Festival	\$60.00
	Matt Dann Show	\$100.00
	Karratha SHS Performance Show	\$100.00
	Y7-10 Drama Live Theatre Performance	\$15.00
	WAGSMS – WA Government Schools Music Society	\$2,000.00
STEM	Y7-10 STEM Camp Perth	\$1,500.00
	Drone Pilot Licence	\$750.00
Science	Year 7-10 Scitech Incursion	\$10.00
	Chemistry Mining Excursion	\$25.00
	GTMMMS Skipper's Ticket	\$400.00
	Biology & Human Biology Camp Perth	\$1,800.00
Big Picture Learning	GATEWAY Camp Year 11	\$1,800.00
	Business visits – 10 visits per term	\$20.00 each
	GATEWAY Camp Year 10	\$1,800.00

	Roebourne/Karratha Advisory Building Camp Year 8/9	\$400.00
Mathematics	Maths Camp Karratha	\$200.00
School Ball Year 11/12		\$180.00
Year 12 Sash's		\$25.00
Year 12 End of Year Dinner		\$100.00

These items are additional cost items, which are compulsory charges to enable participation. Where students wish to participate in any of the above camps/incursions/excursions, payment will be requested during the school year when costs and participation by students are confirmed. Full payment must be received by no later than two weeks prior to the departure date of the trip.

TAFE PPE Requirements VET 2026

Area	Item	Cost
Trade Training Centre & NRT	Steel Capped boots	
Trade Training Centre & NRT	Navy Cotton Cargo trouser mid weight x 5	
Trade Training Centre & NRT	Cotton Drill light weight Kooflow vented shirt w/tape x 5	
WPL in mining industries	Steel Capped boots	
WPL in mining industries	Navy Cotton Cargo trouser mid weight x 3	
WPL in mining industries	Cotton Drill light weight Kooflow vented shirt w/tape x 3	
WPL in construction industries	White Card	\$135.00
SBT's on childcare	Working With Children Check card	\$ 87.00
Cert II Kitchen Operations	Stell capped boots, Chef pants and top	
Cert III Health Services Assistant	First Aid	\$180.00
Marine	Maritime Task Book	\$ 20.00
PLEASE NOTE: All items can be purchased from the supplier of your choice.		

Stationery List Years 7 – 9

English, Maths, Science, Humanities & Social Science, Health & Physical Education, The Arts and Technologies BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) is strongly recommended to access student work via Compass	
Item	Quantity
Exercise Book A4 per subject 96 pages	10
Display folder with plastic sleeves A4 per subject	5 approx
Mathematics Grid Book (5mm or 10mm)	1
Eraser	1
Glue Stick	1
Highlighters pack of 6	1
Medium Blue Pens	5
Medium Red Pens	5
Medium Black Pens	5
Pencil Case	1
2B Pencils	3
HB Pencils	3
Pencil Sharpener	1
Coloured Pencils pack of 12	1
30cm Plastic Ruler	1
Scissors	1
16 GB Computer Thumb Drive/USB	1
Calculator Casio Scientific FX-82AU Plus II (Maths & Science)	1
Protractor	
Technology	
USB 8G thumb drive (all Digital Tech classes)	1
Safety Glasses (D & T subjects)	1
A5 Notebook (Home Economics)	1
The Arts	
A4 Visual Diary – non lined paper (Visual Arts)	1
A3 document wallet clear (Visual Art)	1
Exercise A4 Book (Dance)	1
Exercise Book A4 (Media)	1
Music Book A4 (Music)	1
Document Wallet A4 (Music)	1
English	
Clear Plastic Document Wallet A4	1
PLEASE NOTE: All items can be purchased from the supplier of your choice	

Stationery List Years 10 – 12

English, Maths, Science, Humanities & Social Science, Health & Physical Education, The Arts and Technologies	
BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) is strongly recommended to access student work via Compass	
Item	Quantity
Exercise Book A4 per subject 96 pages	10
Display folder with plastic sleeves A4	5
Mathematics Grid Book (5mm or 10mm)	1
Eraser	1
Glue Stick	1
Highlighters 6 pack	1
Medium Blue Pens	5
Medium Red Pens	5
Pencil Case	1
2B Pencils	3
HB Pencils	3
Pencil Sharpener	1
Coloured Pencils pack of 12	1
30cm Plastic Ruler	1
Scissors	1
16GB Computer Thumb Drive/USB	1
Casio Classpad II fx-CP400 (ATAR only)	1
The Arts	
A4 Visual Diary – non-lined paper (Visual Art)	1
A3 display folder (Visual Art)	1
SD Card (Photography)	1
Exercise Book A4 (Media)	1
Technology and Enterprise	
Safety Glasses (D & T subjects)	1
Lever Arch File (Food Science & Technology)	1
File Dividers Packet (Food Science & Technology)	1
A4 Exercise Book – hole punched	1
8 GB Thumb Drive – All computing classes	1
A5 Notebook – Year 10 Home Economics	
English	
Clear Plastic Document Wallet A4	1
PLEASE NOTE: All items can be purchased from the supplier of your choice	

Financial Assistance

Secondary Assistance Scheme:

The Secondary Assistance Scheme is available to secondary students – compulsory and post-compulsory – whose parents hold a Centrelink Family Health Care of Pensioner Concession Card or Veterans' Affairs Pensioner Concession Cards (blue card only). Eligible Concession Card holders are entitled to \$235 Secondary Assistance and \$115 Clothing Allowance. This can be used towards your Contributions and Charges, the purchase of school uniforms, or can be paid directly to your bank account to be used at your discretion for the above.

Applications for this scheme are completed through the school. The closing date to apply is Thursday 4 April 2026. Parents must apply in person to the school and have their concession card with them. Please bring following completed application form to have it witnessed at the school.



Abstudy

This grant is available to Aboriginal full-time students. To be eligible for this allowance the school or parent must have received the School Fee Allowance from Centrelink as part of the Student's Abstudy School Fees Allowance. Applications and inquiries should be made direct to Centrelink. A copy of the Abstudy supplementary allowance application follows but must be witnessed at the school.