St Thomas More College



2023 Fee and Levy Information

School Fees will increase in 2023. This increase will be announced before the end of September 2022 and will be below the current rate of inflation.

In line with Brisbane Catholic Education policy there will be a new fee structure in 2023. There will be tuition fees payable for the 3^{rd} and 4^{th} student in a family group of 20% of the single fee tuition fee. In 2024 the tuition fee payable for the 3^{rd} student will increase to 40% of the single tuition fee. The second student in a family group will stay the same at 66% of the single child tuition fee.

2022 Fee and Levy Information

	Description	Per Term	Per Year
Per Student Fees and Levies	Single Child Tuition Fee	\$560.50	\$2,242
	Family Tuition Fee	\$929.00	\$3,716
	Seniors Surcharge	\$56.00	\$224
	General Purpose Levy	\$432.50	\$1,730
	STMC Bus	\$183.00	\$732
Per Family Levies	Capital Levy	\$178.75	\$715
	P&F Levy	\$66.50	\$266

Additional details on Levies and Charges

- The **General-Purpose Levy** is charged to fund the costs of the majority of student activities, camps, retreats, laptop computers, materials, services, and resources provided. The Science and Geography camps are an additional cost for relevant students.
- The **Senior Surcharge** is charged for students in grades 11 & 12.
- The College-subsidised Algester, Rochedale and Forest Lake/Inala/Darra **Bus Services** are charged per student per term. No casual travellers are permitted.

Payment of Fees

College Fee Statements are issued at the beginning of each term. Parents are asked to pay the fee account within <u>14</u> <u>days</u> of issue. An 'Annual Fees - Ready Reckoner' is available to assist with budget planning each year. Preferred method of payment:

Direct Debit from bank account or credit card - forms available on Parent Portal or by emailing finance@stmc.qld.edu.au

Other methods:

BPAY - Details at top of fee statement

Bank Transfer - Details at bottom of fee statement

EFTPOS - Phone or pay over counter at Finance Office

Cash/Cheque - At Finance Office

Centrelink - Payment through Centrelink can be set up by the Finance Office

Early Payment Discount

The College offers a 5% discount if the annual fees and levies are paid in full by the end of February each year. Please contact the College's Finance Office if intending to pay the annual account in full. This discount does not apply to the P&F Levy, Music Tuition, and the Bus Service.

Payment Difficulties

If you are experiencing difficulties paying your account on time, please contact the Fee Administrator at the College for a confidential discussion as there are several options available to assist families.

Overdue Accounts

Parents who have unpaid invoices at the due date will be sent a statement with a reminder message. All outstanding statements, at this time, are followed up with parents by our Fee Administrator. Where accounts remain outstanding and a payment plan has not been mutually agreed, the College may instigate other activities to recover the outstanding amount. It is unreasonable and unjust to other families to ignore fee statements or to fail to contact the College to discuss outstanding accounts.

Parish Discount Sharing Agreement

St Thomas More College & St Stephen's School, Algester/Our Lady of Lourdes, Sunnybank/Our Lady of Fatima School, Acacia Ridge

To be eligible to apply for the discount families must satisfy the following criteria:

- Have a student at both STMC and one of the above schools who have completed one full year of study at each school
- Have up-to-date account balances at both schools
- Not be on a concession at either school

The discount is applied for at the beginning of the academic year and relates to the year just finished. It will be applied against fees in Term 1. Forms need to be obtained from the Finance Offices at both schools. The discount is 50% of the relevant year's capital levy.

Students Exiting Mid-Term

A minimum of four weeks' notice of intention to leave the College is required in writing prior to the last day of attendance. A credit will be applied against the fee account for the remaining weeks of the term that the student is not in attendance. If notice has not been given, then the equivalent of four weeks will be applied against the fee account.

Further Information

If you require further information, please feel welcome to contact the College Finance Officer or College Business Manager on 3323 4600 between 8am and 4pm or by email at finance@stmc.qld.edu.au.