

# TULLY STATE HIGH SCHOOL

### **Student Resource Scheme Annual Parent Information Letter**

Dear Parents/Guardians.

This letter contains important information about the **2025 Student Resource Scheme (SRS)** including how the scheme operates and the annual participation fee.

The Queensland Government supports students' education by providing funding for:

- Instruction, e.g., teachers
- Facilities, e.g., buildings, amenities, furniture
- Administration, e.g., staffing and resources to administer the operations of the school.

Funding does not extend to individual student resources such as textbooks, equipment for personal use, and items used/consumed by the student in the classroom. Supply of these items is the responsibility of parents.

To provide parents with a cost-effective alternative to purchasing textbooks and/or resources elsewhere, Tully State High School operates an SRS for 2025.

The scheme ensures that students have the resources required for them to engage with the curriculum for their education, and saves parents time and money in sourcing the prescribed materials elsewhere. Savings are gained through the school's bulk purchasing practices and hiring arrangements. The scheme is not used to raise funds for other purposes, and revenue collected through the scheme is applied only to the resources and operation of the scheme.

The scheme's operation, resource inclusions and participation fees were approved by the school's P&C Association at the meeting held on 15 August, 2024.

#### SRS Participation

The objective of the scheme is to provide a convenient and cost-effective way for students to access the educational resources. Participation in the SRS is optional, and no obligation is placed on a parent to participate. Participation is for the duration of your child's enrolment at the school.

If a parent has opted out of the scheme the parent is required to provide the educational resources list in the SRS for their child by the start of the school year. This information is available upon request to the school and on the schools' website.

## **Payment Fee and Methods**

The 2025 SRS fee is: Years 7 – 8 \$220 and Years 9 – 12 \$240. Tully SHS will:

- Issue 1<sup>st</sup> Invoice Friday 28 February 2025
- Statements will be issued every month
- Full payment is expected by end of Term 2 (unless a payment plan is in place)
- No payment or payment plan, students will be limited in activities

SRS payments can be made by QParent/BPOINT, BPAY, EFTPOS (Credit/Debit Card), Cheque, Cash, Centrepay.

Payment may be made through the QParents portal using a credit card. Payment will be directed from the QParents portal to BPOINT where relevant outstanding invoice information may be selected.

When paying by BPOINT, please use the Customer Reference Number (CRN) and invoice number printed on the invoice received from the school. If unsure of the CRN, please contact the school.

Centrepay Deductions are available to pay the SRS fees. Use Centrepay to make regular deductions from your Centrelink payment. Centrepay is a voluntary and easy payment option available to Centrelink customers. Please contact the Office to arrange Centrepay.

# Financial Hardship

Parents experiencing financial hardship who are currently participating or wish to participate in the SRS should contact the Principal to discuss available options in confidence.

#### Contact us

For all queries regarding the SRS and its inclusions please make contact with the Business Manager or refer to the school website.

Regards Emmy Sommerfeld, Business Manager

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