

QASMT School Fees 2024

At the Queensland Academy for Science Mathematics and Technology (QASMT), we offer an exceptional educational environment and provide extensive opportunities for all students. The education at QASMT is provided through an international curriculum, the International Baccalaureate (IB), and focusses on a holistic education. Our environment is STEM and enrichment focussed, providing opportunities beyond the standard normally experienced at a secondary school.

The fee structure at QASMT is comprised of three categories, the IB fees and two categories of user pays fees; General Fees covering the costs of whole school programs determined by year level, and Optional Fees for a number of additional activities students may choose to participate in. School fees are invoiced to families at QASMT to support the delivery of education for students. Payment of the IB and General Fees is essential to the operation of the school.

An overview of fees and associated information is provided below, and a detailed schedule of fees is included.

International Baccalaureate Fees

Fees for the IB curriculum, offered through the Queensland Academies, are used to facilitate the costs associated with the IB Organisation charges and conditions. These fees are mandatory and must be paid by the due date for ongoing enrolment in the IB programmes.

General Fees

General fees are determined annually and include four categories considered integral to the education offered at QASMT:

- Student experience school diary, yearbook, whole school enrichment activities, Positive Education activities, co-curricular activities program (all students are expected to engage in an interest activity in our CCA Program), competitions and school refectory
- IT experience BYOD support and a large range of applications including the QASMT Digital Library, ManageBac, Education Perfect, etc.
- STEM experience resources and programs delivered over and above what the Government provides to state schools
- *Year level activities programs and camps specific to each year level operate on a cost recovery basis

*Please note some year level activities such as camps, are not invoiced with the school fees, and you will receive a separate invoice. Both invoices will be issued on the same day.

Optional Fees

Optional activities (e.g. music, sports, robotics, debating, learning success programs), excursions, year level celebrations, study tours and fundraising activities are offered to students to enhance the educational experience at the school. Costs of these activities will be communicated to parents and caregivers, and you will be directed to make payment when consent for attendance is provided. These are not mandatory.

Charges for these activities are based on a cost recovery basis and are determined by expenses incurred for the activity and the number of participants. Parents/caregivers are informed of these fees prior to students participating in the activity to allow them to make an informed decision. These fees are required to be paid before the start of any activity.

Textbook and Resource Allowance

QASMT does not operate a textbook hire scheme, nor student resource scheme. Parents or caregivers will need to purchase the textbooks and stationery resources required. The textbook and stationery list for each year level are available on the Sequel Books website below. Whilst the lists are published through this site, parents and guardians are welcome to purchase these materials through a provider of their choice.



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Sequel Books: <u>www.sequelbooks.com/RL-QLD-Academy-for-Science-Mathematics-and-Technology</u>

The Queensland Government provides a Textbook and Resource Allowance (TRA) to parents and caregivers of eligible students to offset the costs of textbook and resources purchased. The allowance is paid directly to the school, and the school then pays the allowance to its eligible families on behalf of the Department of Education. The TRA varies annually and the <u>2024 allowance</u> will be advised as soon as possible.

The TRA for 2023 was:

- \$146.00 for Year 7 to 10 students
- \$317.00 for Year 11 and 12 students

Most students are eligible to receive the TRA once per year for six years (or for the duration of their enrolment at QASMT). Students are not eligible if they are enrolled as a full-fee paying international student or temporary visa holder, or are enrolled after the first Friday in August.

Parents/caregivers will have the value of the TRA credited on their academy fees invoice.

Invoices

Academy fees are invoiced and emailed to parents and caregivers in January each year. Fees can be paid for the whole year or over three instalments. The full payment of fees is required by 1 September 2024.

Academy fees due dates:

- A. Full amount paid by 1 September; OR
- B. Three instalments due:
 - 1. 1st instalment, 1 March
 - 2. 2nd instalment, 1 June
 - 3. 3rd instalment, 1 September

Fees for additional subject specific excursions and optional activities will be paid on parental consent for these activities, or by the provided due date.

Payments

The following payment options are available at QASMT: BPoint, BPay, QParents, Qkr!, or in person at Student Services Counter, A Block. QASMT is unable to take payments over the phone.

If you are experiencing financial difficulties, please contact our Business Manager (Corporate Services) in Term 1 to set up a Payment Plan. A Payment Plan allows you to pay fees gradually and we will work with families to develop a mutually suitable plan. By contacting us early, you can ensure your child's optional activities are managed responsibly.

Non-payment of levies and fees

IB and General Fees apply to all QASMT students. It is essential that fees are paid by their due date so that resources can be provided to maintain the standard of education provided. QASMT ensures that all school activities are resourced well, and to a high standard. This cannot happen without your support.

Non-payment of fees may result in debt recovery action in accordance with the Department's Debt Management procedure, and the QASMT Debt Collection Process. In such cases, the Principal may withdraw the student's participation in the user pays scheme or withhold the provision of items identified and exclude the student from optional, non-curricular activities and/or initiate debt recovery action.



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2024 Schedule of Fees	Year levels	Annual Fee
International Baccalaureate Fees		
Middle Years Programme	7 – 9	\$ 1,027.20
Diploma Programme	10 – 12	\$ 2,571.24
General Fees		+)-
Student Experience		
School publications, printing credit and printed reference materials	7 – 9 10 – 12	\$ 70.00 \$ 85.00
Whole school enrichment activities, co-curricular activities program (all students are expected to engage in our CCA Program), Positive Education, leadership and wellbeing activities and affiliation fees	7 – 9 10 – 12	\$ 95.50 \$ 115.50
Competitions completed by the whole school including ICAS*, Australian National Chemistry Quiz, Australian Mathematics Competition * <i>ICAS is not offered in year 11 & 12</i>	7 – 10 11 – 12	\$ 70.00 \$ 25.00
School services (including Refectory and school transport)	7 – 12	\$ 70.00
IT Experience		
BYOD support and applications including the QASMT Digital Library, Accelerus, Daymap, Turnitin, educational software, etc	7 – 12	\$ 295.00
STEM Experience		
Industry level equipment, specialist STEM areas (Science Research Laboratories, Makerspace, Technology, Robotics & VR Labs)	7 – 12	\$ 250.00
Year Level Activities		1
Year 7 – Camp, Author in Residence, Abbey Museum visit, Wellbeing Days	7	\$ 405.00
Year 8 – Field Trip, Wellbeing Days	8	\$ 70.00
Year 9 – Camp, UQ Engagement Day, Wellbeing Days	9	\$ 635.00
Year 10 – First Aid, UQ Experience Science Day	10	\$ 95.00
Year 11 – Leadership Development Days	11	\$ 170.00
Year 12 – Conference, Careers Breakfast, Inner Core Celebrations	12	\$ 315.00
Optional Activity Fees		
Music Program	-	-
Annual fees include ensemble membership, sheet music, QASMT Music Folder, performance opportunities, workshops, masterclasses and competitions (Instrumental Music lessons are available on an optional basis and are free of charge)	7 – 12	\$ 250.00
Sports Program	1	
Term fees includes coach and referee costs, equipment, uniforms, laundering and administration costs	7 – 12	\$ 75.00/term
Robotics Program	1	1
Semester fees include technical equipment, materials, coaching and competitions <i>(unless otherwise specified)</i>	7 – 12	\$ 110.00/term
Debating Program	7 40	• • • • • • • • • •
Term fees include affiliation and competition fees and coaching	7 – 12	\$ 55.00/term
Learning Success Program (provided by QASMT Alumni)	0 40	¢ 400 00/4
Learning Enhancement (support sessions in core subject areas, fee is per subject)	8 – 10	\$ 120.00/term
Study Support (support sessions in core subject areas, fee is per subject)	11 – 12	\$ 120.00/term
Excursions and Year Level Celebrations		
Costs of these activities will be communicated to parents and caregivers and you will be directed to make payment when consent for attendance is provided		
Co-curricular and Other Optional Activities		
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payment when consent for attendance is provided		

If you have any questions regarding school fees, please contact our accounts team at <u>StudentAccounts@qasmt.eq.edu.au</u>.