

# **Queensland Academy** for Science Mathematics and Technology

# **Inspiring Great Minds**

#### **QASMT SCHOOL FEES 2025**

At the Queensland Academy for Science Mathematics and Technology (QASMT), we offer an exceptional educational environment and provide extensive opportunities for all students. 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 focused, providing opportunities beyond the standard normally experienced at a secondary school.

The fee structure at QASMT is comprised of three categories, the IB fees, Student Resource Scheme and User Pays. These fees cover 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, SRS and User Pays are 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.

### Student Resource Scheme Fees and User Pay Fees

Please see attached detailed Fee Schedule for a breakdown of our Student Resource Scheme Fees and User Pays Fees.

### **Optional Fees**

Optional activities (eq. 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. 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 Campion Education website. Whilst the lists are published through this site, parents and guardians are welcome to purchase these materials through a provider of their choice.

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.









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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 allowance for 2025 is

- \$160.00 for Year 7 to 10 students
- \$348.00 for Year 11 to 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 mailed 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 31 July 2025.

Academy fees due dates:

- A. Fully amount paid by 31 July; OR
- B. Three instalments due:

1st instalment 28 February 2025

2<sup>nd</sup> instalment 30 April 2025

3rd instalment 31 July 2025

### **Payments**

The following payment options are available at QASMT: BPoint, BPay, QParents, Qkr!, or in person at the 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 are applicable to all QASMT students. Timely payment of these fees is essential to maintain the quality of educational services and resources. Failure to pay by the due date may result in debt recovery actions, such as removal from the User Pays scheme, exclusion from optional activities, or initiation of debt recovery according to the Department's Debt Management procedure and QASMT's **Debt Collection Process.** 

Your cooperation in ensuring fees are paid on time is greatly appreciated and helps us continue delivering high-quality education and resources to all students.







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# **2025 FEE SCHEDULE**

Specialised Education Programs	Year Level	Annual Fee		
Middle Years Program	S			
Diploma Program	10-12	\$2,571.24		
Student Resource Scheme				
School Yearbook	7-12	\$ 30.00		
Student Diary	7-12	\$ 25.00		
Printed Reference Material to complement and/or substitute for	7-12	\$ 40.00		
textbooks				
Consumables including general laboratory, design and art materials	7-12	\$ 180.00		
Administration Fee to administer Student Resource Scheme	7-12	\$ 10.00		
TOTAL		\$ 285.00		
User Pays (Whole School)				
Required software used to enhance learning resources	7-12	\$ 125.00		
Reprographics eg. classroom materials and workbooks	7-12	\$ 35.00		
Commercial activities – refectory supplies	7-12	\$ 65.00		
Bus Transport (school owned) to non curricular activities	7-12	\$ 20.00		
Affiliation Fees eg. sports and other programs	7-12	\$ 15.00		
Cultural Events, Excellence and Engagement Programs and Activities	7-12	\$ 95.00		
TOTAL		\$ 355.00		
Year Level Fees (User Pays)				
Year 7				
Camp	7	\$ 360.00		
Author in Residence (External Provider)	7	\$ 20.00		
Abbey Museum Excursion	7	\$ 30.00		
Wellbeing Activities (External Provider)	7	\$ 75.00		
Education Perfect (curriculum learning platform)	7	\$ 54.00		
TOTAL		\$ 539.00		
Year 8				
Wellbeing Activities (External Provider)	8	\$ 75.00		
Diagnostic Testing	8	\$ 15.00		
Education Perfect (curriculum learning platform)	8	\$ 79.00		
TOTAL		\$ 169.00		
Year 9				
Camp	9	\$ 430.00		
UQ Engagement Day	9	\$ 25.00		
Wellbeing Activities (External Provider)	9	\$ 75.00		
Education Perfect (curriculum learning platform)	9	\$ 54.00		
TOTAL		\$ 584.00		
Year 10				
First Aid Certificate (External Provider)	10	\$ 80.00		
UQ Experience Day	10	\$ 25.00		
Diagnostic Testing 10		\$ 15.00		
Education Perfect (curriculum learning platform) 10		\$ 27.00		
Vocational Training Supplies	10	\$ 75.00		
TOTAL		\$ 222.00		

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Year 11		
Leadership Development Day (External Provider)	11	\$ 170.00
Education Perfect (curriculum learning platform)	11	\$ 37.00
Specialist requirements to IB (eg. Internal Assessments and Extended	11	\$ 125.00
Essay materials) TOTAL		\$ 332.00
Year 12		\$ 332.00
Conference (including Movieworld)	12	\$ 255.00
Inner Core Celebrations – Extended Essay	12	\$ 10.00
Education Perfect (curriculum learning platform)	12	\$ 37.00
Specialist requirements to IB (eg. Internal Assessments and Extended	12	\$ 125.00
Essay materials)		
TOTAL		\$ 427.00

# **2025 OPTIONAL PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES FEE SCHEDULE**

Music Program	Year Level	Fee
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		
Term fees includes coaching and referee costs, equipment and uniforms	7-12	\$ 75.00
Robotics Program		
Semester fees include technical equipment, materials, coaching and competitions	7-12	\$ 220.00
Debating Program		
Term fees include affiliation, competitions and coaching	7-12	\$ 55.00
Learning Success Program		
Term fees for Learning Enhancement (support sessions in core subject areas, fee is per subject)	8-10	\$ 126.00
Term fees for Study Support (support sessions in core subject areas, fee is per subject)	11-12	\$ 126.00
Excursions and Celebrations		
Costs of these activities will be communicated to parents and caregivers and you will be made to direct payment and provide consent		







# Student Resource Scheme - Participation Agreement Form

#### The Student Resource Scheme

The Student Resource Scheme (SRS) is a user-charging scheme operated by schools to provide parents with a mechanism to access individual student resources that are not funded by the government.

Government funding for schools does not extend to individual student resources and equipment for their personal use or consumption. Supply of these items, such as textbooks and personal laptops/iPads, is the responsibility of the parent.

The objective of the scheme is to provide parents a convenient and cost-effective alternative to individual supply of resources for their students. Participation in the SRS is optional, and no obligation is placed on a parent to participate.

Terms and conditions for participating in the scheme are provided on the reverse side of the form. Information is also provided on the Textbook and Resource Allowance (TRA) where applicable.

This Participation Agreement Form applies for the duration of a student's enrolment at the school, however parents who are participating in the scheme can choose to opt out from the SRS in future years by completing a new Participation Agreement Form. Any new Participation Agreement Form submitted annually and received by the school will supersede the previous form lodged.

Parents pay the annual participation fee in accordance with the selected payment arrangement. If a student joins the school mid-year, a pro-rata participation fee may apply.

Parents not participating in the scheme must provide their student with all items that would otherwise be provided by the scheme as detailed in the information provided by the school. Parents can choose to join the SRS in future years by completing a new Participation Agreement Form.

To assist schools in managing and administering the scheme, parents are requested to complete the Participation section of this form and return it to the school.

If parents have not completed and returned the form before the due date indicated by the school in the SRS Annual Parent Information documents, the school will take the view that the parent does not wish to participate.

For further information please see the 'parents and carers' site for general information on School fees and charges.

### **Payment**

On agreeing to participate in the SRS, a parent agrees to pay the participation fee as advised and invoiced by the school. For families experiencing financial hardship, please contact the school as soon as possible to discuss options available.

#### **Participation**

☐ YES	the scheme the selected	rticipate in the Student Resource Scheme. I have read and understand the Terms and Conditions of (see reverse) and agree to abide by them and to pay the annual participation fee in accordance with a payment arrangement. I understand that I can opt out of participation in the SRS in any year by a new Participation Agreement Form.
□ NO	I have read the terms and conditions and I do not wish to participate in the Student Resource School understand I must provide my child with all items and resources that would otherwise be provided by the as detailed in the information provided by the school. I understand that I can choose to join the SRS in years by completing a new Participation Agreement Form.	
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School Name	Queensland Academy for Science Mathematics and Technology	
Form Return Date		
Student Name		
Year Level		
Parent Name		
Parent Signature		
Date		

#### **Privacy Statement**

The Department of Education collects the information you complete on the Participation Agreement Form in order to administer the Student Resource Scheme (SRS). The information will only be accessed by school employees administering the SRS. However, if required, some of this information may be shared with departmental employees for the purpose of debt recovery. Your information will not be given to any other person or agency unless you have given permission or the Department of Education is authorised or required by law to make the disclosure.



## **Terms and Conditions**

#### Definition

 Reference to a "parent" is in accordance with the definition in the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006 and refers equally to an independent student.

#### Purpose of the SRS

- In accordance with the Act, the cost of providing instruction, administration and facilities for the education of students enrolled at state schools who are Australian citizens or permanent residents, or children of Australian citizens or permanent residents, is met by the State.
- Parents are directly responsible for providing textbooks and other personal resources for their children while attending school.
- The SRS enables a parent to enter into an agreement with the school to provide the resources required for their child to engage with the curriculum for a specified annual participation fee.

#### Participation in the SRS

- Participation in the SRS is optional and parents are under no obligation to participate.
- The school will provide parents with a list of resources supplied by the SRS to enable parents to assess the cost effectiveness of participation.
- Parents indicate whether or not they wish to participate in the SRS by completing this Participation Agreement Form.
- Parents must complete and sign the Participation Agreement Form and return it to the school by the advertised date.
- This agreement is for the duration of the student's enrolment at the school, unless a new Participation Agreement Form is completed.
- 10. Parents are given the option annually to choose whether to participate in the SRS or not by completing this form.
- 11. Where a parent signs up to participate in the SRS they are agreeing to pay the annual participation fee for the items provided by the SRS.
- 12. Payment of the participation fee implies acceptance of the SRS including the Terms and Conditions irrespective of whether or not the signed form has been returned.
- 13. Where a student starts at the school during the school year, the parent may be entitled to pay a pro-rata participation fee to participate based on a 40-week school year.
- 14. Where a participation fee has been paid and a student leaves the school during the year, the school must determine if the parent is eligible for a pro-rata refund. This will also take into account any pro-rata of the Textbook and Resource Allowance (TRA) (see Additional Information regarding TRA eligibility) and any outstanding SRS debts (including any debts from damaged or non-returned items). Where the cost of outstanding debts is higher than the calculated refund, the parent is liable to pay this balance of funds.

### Non-Participation in the SRS

- 15. Parents who choose not to participate in the SRS are responsible for providing their student with all items that would otherwise be provided by the SRS to enable their student to engage with the curriculum.
- 16. The school will provide non-participating parents with a list of resources the parents are required to supply for their child.
- 17. All items included in the SRS must be able to be independently sourced, purchased and supplied by parents who choose not to participate in the SRS.
- 18. As the SRS operates for the benefit of participating parents and is funded from participation fees, SRS resources will not be issued to students whose parents choose not to participate in the SRS.

#### The Resources

- 19. SRS funds received by the school will only be expended on student resources outlined in the school's SRS and will not be expended on other items or used to raise funds for other purposes.
- 20. In return for payment of the participation fee, the SRS will provide the participating student with the entire package of resources for the specified participation fee. It is not available in parts unless specifically provided for by the school in the fee structure.
- 21. The resources, as determined and advised by the school may be:
  - · retained by the student and used at their discretion; or

- used/consumed by the student in the classroom; or
- hired to the student for their personal use for a specified period of time
- 22. All SRS resources hired to a student for their temporary use remain the property of the school. The resources must be returned by the agreed date or if the student leaves the school.
- Parents are responsible for ensuring that any hired SRS resources provided for their child's temporary use are kept in good condition.
- 24. The school administration office must be notified immediately of the loss or damage to any hired item.
- Where a hired item is lost, not returned, or damaged, parents will be responsible for payment to the school of the value of the item or its repair.
- 26. The replacement cost of any resource may be up to the maximum value (subject to depreciation where appropriate) of the acquisition cost to the school.
- 27. Parents may be responsible for supplying their child with other resources not specified in the SRS as advised by the school.

#### **Payment Arrangements**

- Payment of the participation fee may be made in whole, as per a nominated payment plan, or for another amount as approved by a Principal.
- 29. Payment of the participation fee must be made as per the payment methods nominated by the school.
- Any concessions relating to the participation fee will be at the discretion of the Principal.

#### **Debt Management**

31. Payment of the participation fee is a requirement for continued participation in the SRS.

Non-payment of the participation fee by designated payment date(s) may result in debt recovery action in accordance with the Department's Debt Management Procedure https://ppr.qed.qld.gov.au/pp/debt-management-procedure

### Parents' Experiencing Financial Hardship

- 32. Parents experiencing financial hardship who are currently participating in or wish to participate in the SRS should contact the school to discuss options.
- Principals may vary payment options, negotiate alternative arrangements and/or waive all or part of the participation fee for parents experiencing financial hardship.
- 34. The onus of proof of financial hardship is on the parent.
- 35. The school may require annual proof of continuing financial hardship.
- 36. All discussions will be held in the strictest confidence.

## **Additional Information**

#### Textbook and Resource Allowance (TRA)

- The Queensland Government provides financial assistance to parents
  of students in Years 7 to 12, to offset the costs of textbooks and other
  resources. Assistance is provided in the form of a TRA which is paid
  through the school. Refer to the department's website for current
  TRA rates <a href="https://education.qld.gov.au/about-us/budgets-funding-grants/grants/parents-and-students/textbook-resource-allowance">https://education.qld.gov.au/about-us/budgets-funding-grants/parents-and-students/textbook-resource-allowance</a>.
- The TRA is used to offset the fees associated with participation in the SRS.
- Parents not participating in the SRS will receive the TRA as either a credit to the student's account or as a direct payment from the school.
- Parents not participating in the SRS should contact the school directly if they do not automatically receive the payment.

