

SCHEDULE OF FEES, CHARGES AND LEVIES

Annual Fees and Levies for 2025						
2025 Year Level	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12
College Tuition Fees	\$5,500	\$5,850	\$5,850	\$6,250	\$6,250	\$6,250
ICT Levy	\$450	\$450	\$450	\$450	\$450	\$450
Capital Levy per family	\$550					

Note: These fees and charges are subject to annual review and may increase each year.

Tuition Fees

Tuition fees are a global fee that covers all standard curriculum subjects, excursions and camps. For some extra-curricular, optional subjects or activities, additional fees may be incurred.

It is charged on a per student basis with discounted rates applicable to families who have more than one child attending the College at the same time.

Items not included in Tuition fees are:

- Compulsory College uniform and resources required on the booklist
- Specific subject levies for VET course materials
- Students' photocopy and printing costs
- Private Music tuition and instrument hire
- Library charges – late fees and replacement costs
- Non-curriculum excursions/activities
- SACCSS sport socks and mouthguard
- Laptop repairs

Student Device Program

In 2025, the College is continuing with a "Supplied Digital Device" Program for students in all year levels. The cost of these devices will be charged to parents in three equal annual instalments, referred to as the ICT Levy at the start of each school year. At the end of Year 9 and Year 12 respectively, if the family fees account is paid, ownership of these devices will pass to the families.

This approach to digital devices supports our robust learning and teaching program by ensuring equal access to technology in terms of quality and reliability of the device. By spreading the purchase expense over three years, we are assisting families with the upfront cost of this compulsory student resource, which we know is important in the current financial environment.

Capital Levy

This levy is compulsory and is charged per family to cover the normal operational costs associated with the upkeep and general maintenance of existing buildings and grounds on our two campuses.

Sibling Discounts

For families with more than one student enrolled at Thomas Carr College in the school year, where the siblings live at the same main home address, the following discount will be applied during the billing process:

Family of 2 Students	Discount of \$1,125 per family
Family of 3 Students	Discount of \$1,685 per family
Family of 4 or more Students	Discount of \$5,620 per family

VET Fees

Thomas Carr College is committed to ensuring that students have a choice of pathways into further education and employment. The College provides onsite and offsite the VCE Vocational Pathway of study.

For students in Year 10, VCE and VCE VM in 2025, VET ancillary fees and materials charges will be payable by parents for individual students; these fees vary depending on the stream of study undertaken and the RTO chosen. As the VET subject is a part of the student's learning program, Thomas Carr College will subsidise the VET tuition fee.

Parents are required to submit the VET Intention/Agreement form in August for any student electing to take up a VET subject in the following year.

If a student exits from the VET course after the TAFE withdrawal deadline in February, the parents will be required to pay the full, unsubsidised cost of the VET course fees plus ancillary charges.

Billing Procedure and Early Settlement Discount

Thomas Carr College will invoice the full year's Tuition Fees, ICT Levy and Capital Levy in January of the school year. Parents will receive a statement showing their current fee account balance. All fee accounts are due and payable at the conclusion of Term 3, unless on a College Approved Payment Plan.

Fee accounts that are paid in full by the end of Term 1 each year will attract a discount of \$370 per student. This discount will not apply for debts outstanding for retrospective periods.

Payment Options

The College offers a range of payment options to enable parents to meet their fee obligation, as follows:

Option 1 - Pay in full before the end of Term 1, Friday 4 April 2025, with early payment discount

- Personally, at the College Front Office by cash, cheque or EFTPOS (Amex not accepted)
- Over the phone by credit card
- Internet banking using BPay

Option 2 – Pay in full before the end of Term 3, being Friday 19 September 2025

- Personally, at the College Front Office by cash, cheque or EFTPOS (Amex not accepted)
- Over the phone by credit card
- Internet banking using BPay

Note: If you choose this option, it is a requirement that you are making payments throughout the year to ensure that the total amount is paid by the due date. It is unacceptable to make a lump sum payment at the end of Term 3

Option 3 - Approved Payment Plan (for weekly, fortnightly or monthly instalments) paid in full by 30 November 2025

- Scheduled Automatic Payment – set amount transferred from your nominated bank or credit card account; or
- Centrepay Deduction – agreed amount transferred from your fortnightly Centrelink benefits.

Note: Scheduled Automatic Payments will be processed from February to November each year. The instalment amount will be calculated and set by the Fees Management Officer, to clear the parent's fee account in full by the end of each November.

Parents not on an existing payment plan, who intend to enter a new payment plan must advise as soon as practicable, by completing the relevant payment plan form. The payment plan will be ongoing for the duration of their children's enrolment at the College unless a family chooses to opt out. More information about payment options can be found on the College website, or by contacting the Business Office on 8734 2444 Monday – Friday 8:00am – 4:00pm or email fees@thomascarr.vic.edu.au

If you have a scheduled payment arrangement in place, it is imperative that you contact the College immediately that you are aware there will be insufficient funds in your nominated account to meet the next scheduled instalment. Please also notify us of new bank account or credit card details including revised card expiry dates, 48 hours ahead of the scheduled payment. The College retains the right to pass any bank fees incurred for voided payments onto the debtor.

Government Allowance – CSEF

Some fee payers may be entitled to assistance in the form of the government "Camps Sport Excursion Funding" (CSEF) allowance of \$225. There are specific eligibility criteria for CSEF, please [Click here](#) for more information including an application form. Families that submit valid CSEF forms may receive additional school fee concessions, application forms must be submitted in February each year.

Fee Collection and Family Assistance

We understand that circumstances can and do change. If your family is experiencing financial hardship anytime during the year, it is imperative that you contact the Finance Officer on 8734 2427 without delay. This will give us an opportunity to discuss the situation in more detail and provide support or assistance where necessary.

Families that fail to communicate with the College in respect of non-payment of fees will have their account referred to our external Debt Collection Agency. The continued enrolment of the respective student/s may also be impacted. This will be at the discretion of the Principal.