

# **Green Point Christian College**

# **External Providers Fee Schedule**

# FEES FOR STUDYING COURSES OFFERED EXTERNALLY

#### CONTEXT

From time to time our students (Years 9-12) will desire to study a subject that, due to low demand or specific resource requirements, is not able to be offered as a part of the standard timetable. It may still be possible to study in the desired area through one of the following options. Enrolling in an external course will attract an additional fee (see below).

#### A) TAFE DELIVERED VET COURSES (TVET) AND OTHER PRIVATE PROVIDER VET COURSES

Students who wish to include a TVET course as part of their senior studies will be given the option to enrol in a course delivered by the relevant campus of TAFE NSW. Some of the possible options are listed below.

VET – TAFE DELIVERED	VET – TAFE DIGITAL (online)
Animal Studies	Accounts Administration
Automotive	Animal Studies
Beauty Services (Make-up)	Design Fundamentals
Electrotechnology	Early Childhood Education and Care
Engineering	Events
Hairdressing	Tourism
Plumbing	Information and Digital Technology
Tourism	3

Other Institutions also provide VET courses e.g. Whitehouse Institute of Design, Academy of Interactive Entertainment. Students may also apply to access courses by various Private Providers.

### B) BOARD DEVELOPED and BOARD ENDORSED COURSES AVAILABLE BY DISTANCE EDUCATION

Students who wish to include a Distance Education course as part of their senior studies will be given the option to apply for courses offered via several external providers, including NSW School of Languages, Camden Haven High School, Sydney Distance Education High School and TAFE Digital.

#### **FEE CALCULATION**

#### A) TAFE DELIVERED VET COURSES (TVET) AND OTHER PRIVATE PROVIDER VET COURSES

Students who wish to include a TVET course as part of their senior studies will be required to cover the cost of this course. Costs vary but are in the order of \$3,000 per year.

Each TVET course typically attracts a subsidy from the Association of Independent Schools (AIS). Only students in Year 11 and 12 are subsidised by AIS and each student can access the AIS subsidy for only *one* course per year. The AIS subsidy applies only for VET courses accessed via the External VET Portal. Other external VET courses do not receive an AIS subsidy. The amount of this grant is expected to be 58% of the course enrolment cost. The College subsidises 50% of the remaining net charge up to a cap of \$850 per 2 units per year after application of the AIS subsidy. The net figure is charged to the school fee account upon enrolment in the subject, with an adjustment made later in the year, if required.

In addition, the AIS charge a Work Placement administration fee for VET courses that have a mandatory Work Placement. Generally, the fee is charged for each work placement that occurs during a course e.g. a 2 unit course may have one Work Placement each year. In the past, the Work Placement fee has been \$165 per work placement.

#### B) COURSES AVAILABLE BY DISTANCE EDUCATION

Students who wish to include a Distance Education course as a part of their senior studies will be required to cover the cost of the course. Costs vary per course but are in the order of \$800 per year. Each course attracts a subsidy (50% for Years 9-10 students and 75% for Years 11-12 students) from the College, which is applied at



the time of billing. Early un-enrolments from a course do not attract this subsidy and if the student does not complete the course the initial subsidy applied will be reversed and the full fee billed to the account.

#### **GENERAL PRINCIPLES**

The following principles will apply for all courses delivered by an external provider:

- (a) Fees and subsidies will be added to the family fee account after acceptance of an enrolment application for an externally provided course. This allows the payment of these charges to be spread out over the year.

  Note that the AIS subsidy only applies for VET courses applied for via the External VET (eVET) Portal.
- (b) If a student fails to satisfactorily complete a course due to lack of application, poor attendance or leaving the school, the College will often receive an account from the provider for this student. Depending on the time of the year that the withdrawal or failure occurs, such a student may not be eligible for the AIS subsidy. In such an instance, parents will be responsible for the whole net cost of the course. The school will not contribute towards the cost of the course in this instance and so the parents will be billed the outstanding amount when the actual course cost is known.

Any student who has committed to a TVET or Private Provider course and then leaves the course or the College after the provider's billing cut-off date, will be billed for the entire net cost of the course.