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Dear Parents and Carers,

At Annandale Christian College our mission is to provide quality Christ-centered education. By investing in diverse learning opportunities and resources, we empower students to fulfill their God-given purpose and cultivate lifelong learning. Our goal is to equip each graduate for success in the world by developing a deep understanding of the Christian worldview, promoting well-being, and exposing students to a wide variety of learning experiences.

Of course, there are costs associated with providing the quality education you seek for your child(ren). It continues to be a priority of the TCEA Board and the College Executive to maintain school fees at an affordable level, to ensure Christ-centered education is available for those who genuinely seek it. As good stewards we also have an obligation to ensure the College remains well-resourced and long lasting. To support these priorities, in 2024 there will be a 4% increase in school fees for most year levels and a reduction in the sibling discounts of 1% for both the second and third sibling. School fees for the fourth sibling will remain free.

A simpler fee structure and streamlined method of paying fees will be introduced in 2024. Please refer to the attached 2024 Fee Schedule for the details of the simplified school fee structure.

We understand the financial challenges families have faced in recent times and we appreciate the impact that school fees can have on household budgets. As a result, we have done our best to limit the school fee increase for 2024. To further support families, we have removed subject levies for most subjects, and we continue to offer a 5% discount for upfront payment of fees.

School fee payment plans via our new payment portal (FACTS TM) will also be available early in 2024. This portal will allow families to manage payment methods, frequency of payments and quickly and easily check statement balances. A FACTS TM flier is attached for your information.

Thank you for partnering with us as we provide quality Christ-centered education to your child(ren).

If you have any questions, please contact the College on 07 4725 2082 or finance@acc.qld.edu.au.

Yours sincerely,

Andrew Jones

Principal

Lindsay Ward

Chair of TCEA Ltd Board



# 2024 FEE SCHEDULE – Kindy to Year 12

### Tuition Fees (Annual)

Year Level	1 <sup>st</sup> Sibling Tuition Fee	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sibling Discounted Tuition Fee	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sibling Discounted Tuition Fee	4 <sup>th</sup> & Subsequent Sibling(s) Discounted Tuition Fee	
Kindy – 5 days/fortnight *	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Kindy – 10 days/fortnight *	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	
* Balance payable after Qld Govt Kindy Funding of \$4,000 is applied.					
Prep	\$2,996	\$1,977	\$1,678	\$0	
1	\$3,582	\$2,364	\$2,006	\$0	
2	\$3,582	\$2,364	\$2,006	\$0	
3	\$4,702	\$3,103	\$2,633	\$0	
4	\$4,702	\$3,103	\$2,633	\$0	
5	\$4,702	\$3,103	\$2,633	\$0	
6	\$4,702	\$3,103	\$2,633	\$0	
7	\$5,989	\$3,953	\$3,354	\$0	
8	\$5,989	\$3,953	\$3,354	\$0	
9	\$5,989	\$3,953	\$3,354	\$0	
10	\$5,989	\$3,953	\$3,354	\$0	
11	\$5,989	\$3,953	\$3,354	\$0	
12	\$5,989	\$3,953	\$3,354	\$0	
Per Family – Resources Levy (replaces existing Building Fund Levy)	\$ 586				

To calculate your family's fee combination, refer to the "2024 School Fee Calculator" on the website.

# Subject Levies (subject to change)

School Levy	Per Year/Student
Aquatic Practices	\$300
Cert III in Aviation (Remote Pilot)	TBA
Cert II & III in Sport & Recreation	\$300
Laptop Levy (students currently in the laptop program only)	\$500

There may be additional costs if your student is not eligible for VETiS funding. Refer to the Secondary 'A Guide to Subject Choices – Years 11&12 - 2024' Handbook for further details and information regarding VETiS funding.



#### **Available Discounts**

**Sibling Discounts** – Apply to children in the same family. 2<sup>nd</sup> Sibling 34%, 3<sup>rd</sup> Sibling 44%, 4<sup>th</sup> and Subsequent Sibling(s) 100%.

**Upfront payment** – 5% Discount on Tuition Fees (excl. subject levies), when fees and levies are paid in full by COB Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2024.

NB: Discounts do not apply to Kindy.

**Fee Support** – is available to low-income families upon application. Re-application is required each year. Contact <a href="mailto:finance@acc.gld.edu.au">finance@acc.gld.edu.au</a> for an application form or further information.

**Pastor Discount** – Available upon application for all full-time lead pastors & ministers of a recognised local church. Contact <a href="mailto:finance@acc.qld.edu.au">finance@acc.qld.edu.au</a> for an application form or further information.

#### Tuition Fee Inclusions/Exclusions:

Tuition fees include all costs incurred in the tuition of students, subject resources, general co-curricular sport, student accident insurance and one Yearbook per family. Camps and excursions are also subsidised. In addition, Primary fees include all stationery and resources and swimming lessons (where applicable). Secondary fees include textbook hire, locker hire, student diaries and BYOD IT support for Years 10-12.

Camps, Uniforms and Secondary Student Stationery are not included in Tuition Fees. Camp costs vary and will be advised in due course. Uniforms are available for purchase from the School Locker. The Secondary Student Stationery list will be emailed to parents/carers in the new year.

Charges apply for lost or damaged textbooks and/or library books.

# **Optional Extras**

Instrumental Music	Per Year	Per Term
15 min. individual lesson	\$691	\$172.75
30 min. individual lesson	\$1,223	\$305.75
45 min. individual lesson	\$1,791	\$447.75
60 min. individual lesson	\$2,373	\$593.25
30 min. shared lesson	\$691	\$172.75

Contact enquiries@acc.qld.edu.au for an Instrumental Music application form.



## **Payments**

Parents/Carers are reminded that they are contractually bound to pay all fees and levies by the due date. Annual fees and levies are charged at the beginning of each year.

All payments are to be made via the FACTS TM payment portal. Families can pay upfront or select weekly, fortnightly, monthly, or quarterly payment options to suit their circumstances. An invitation to the portal will be sent early in 2024.

Camps and extracurricular activities will be invoiced on an ad hoc basis.

Failure to settle accounts on time may result in additional charges and/or debt recovery action. Parents/Carers experiencing difficulty in payment of fees should contact the Finance Officer via <a href="mailto:finance@acc.qld.edu.au">finance@acc.qld.edu.au</a> as soon as possible.

Notice of Withdrawal of a student is required in writing, one full term in advance. Contact <a href="mailto:enquiries@acc.qld.edu.au">enquiries@acc.qld.edu.au</a> to provide notice. Failure to provide adequate notice may result in a charge of one term's tuition fees. We encourage you to provide notification of possible withdrawal of students, and this will be counted as notice should the student be withdrawn.