

Rotary Residential College Inc.

Providing Quality Accommodation for Country High School Students

Cost of Boarding 2011

Accommodation Fee:

Our boarding service includes accommodation, meals, and some recreation and activity costs. The full cost to parents of our boarding service is **\$11,500** per student. While boarding fees are GST free, boarders do have to pay GST on the cost of food processed into meals. This amount is \$150 and is included in the above fee.

Enrolment Fee, Payment Options, and Schedule:

On application or re-enrolment a fee of \$1000 is payable. If the child is enrolled successfully the Application Fee amount is deducted from the "Cost of Boarding". *Please note that \$500 is non-refundable if we offer the student a room and the application is withdrawn. Should the enrolment application be unsuccessful, the application fee will be refunded in full, upon written request.*

Payment Schedule for students **not** entitled to AIC and BAHA (Government Subsidy)

Application:	Enrolment of new, and re-enrolment of returning students	\$ 1,000
1 st December 2010:	1 st scheduled payment of fees is due	\$ 4,700
1 st March 2011:	2 nd scheduled payment of fees is due	\$ 3,500
1 st June 2011:	3 rd scheduled payment of fees is due	\$ 2,300
Total		\$11,500

Payment Schedule for students that **are** entitled to AIC (Basic) and BAHA (Government Subsidy)

Application:	Enrolment of new, and re-enrolment of returning students	\$ 1,000
1 st December 2010:	Additional "top up" amount due	\$ 1,430

Centrelink/Abstudy will make payments to the College usually at the end of January, Mid April, Mid July, and Mid October. BAHA will be paid in November.

Payments to the College can be made:

- By cash or cheque in person: Please see the Manager.
- Post: By cheque or Money Order: 85 Kent Street East Victoria Park 6101.
- Direct Credit: Bendigo Bank, Name of: Rotary Residential College, [BSB 633-000 Account number 125 130 666](#). Please use a suitable reference e.g. Student name.

Additional Costs:

The students are required to purchase a College Jumper, which is a 'hoodie'. The student's name / nickname will be embroidered on the back. The current cost is **\$60.00**. Payment can be made with the enrolment fee (preferred), the first scheduled payment, or during the Orientation Day Presentation. Existing students may purchase a new / replacement hoodie at any time.

- *Please note that additional sundry costs are associated with boarding students at the College such as toiletries and pocket money.*
- *School and uniform fees should be paid directly to the school where the student is enrolled.*

Financial Assistance and Discounts:

RRC welcomes all siblings from families and offers discounts for sisters and brothers attending the College at the same time. A family reduction of **\$200.00** is available on accommodation fees for the second and each subsequent sibling. The reduction is deducted from the "Application Fee" reducing it from **\$1,000** to **\$800**.

Rotary Residential College does not offer discounts for 'advanced payment of fees in full'.

Some students may be entitled to substantial financial assistance through the *Assistance for Isolated Children (AIC)*, *Boarding Away from Home Allowance (BAHA)*, *ABSTUDY*, or *Youth Allowance* schemes. In some cases the Rotary Residential College fee can be greatly reduced or fully paid by these allowances. Contact Centrelink on 13 23 18 or visit www.centrelink.gov.au for more details.

Students living in 'Defined Remote Areas' may also be entitled to subsidised travel between home and school. Seek assistance from the Department of Planning and Infrastructure for further details.

All Government Allowances are to be paid direct to the College.

Parental Financial Obligations:

Parents must understand that they are entering into a legally binding financial contract with Rotary Residential College for an ANNUAL boarding duration. Accommodation fees are payable on the dates specified above unless the full fee is paid in advance, or the student is entitled to Centrelink financial assistance, or alternative arrangements have been made with the Manager.

The Manager may; (a) decline to accept a student to commence a new term or, (b) expel the student at any time unless fees are received by the due or agreed date. Parents/Guardians will be liable for interest, fees, and legal costs involved in the collection of outstanding fees.

Fees cover the student whilst attending full time schooling and exams but outside these times the Boarder becomes the Parents responsibility.

Notice of Withdrawal:

- If a student is to be withdrawn from the College two full boarding terms notice in writing is required. The accommodation fees for the current term and the following two full terms will be charged.
- "Notices of Withdrawal" whereby the student will cease boarding at the end of term 3 will not be accepted and the full year's fee is payable.
- In the event of the withdrawal of a student at Rotary Residential College's instigation during the school year, accommodation fees for the current and the following two terms will be charged.

Note: Depending on the timing of the student withdrawal, it is possible for a debt to arise with Centrelink and with the College. Although Centrelink funds are paid to the College the student/parent/guardian are legally responsible for the claims and any debts that can arise with Centrelink.