

NURIOOTPA HIGH SCHOOL

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2025 SCHOOL INFORMATION

The following information and forms are available on the Nuriootpa High School website http://www.nurihs.sa.edu.au on the School Information page (from home page click on School Information in the top menu)

- · Payment by Instalment form
- School Card information
- Stationery list
- BYOD Bring Your Own Device Information

If you don't have access to the internet at home, computers are available in public libraries or you can contact the Finance Office and forms can be posted or emailed to you.

MATERIALS AND SERVICES CHARGE 2025

The 2025 Materials and Services Charge is \$510 per student as set by the Governing Council. The school community was polled in November 2025 and the majority supported that the full \$510 per student is payable and legally recoverable unless parents/caregivers are eligible for school card. The \$200 Government rebate reduces the amount to \$310.

Full payment is due by Friday 14 February 2025 unless you intend to pay by instalments.

DEPARTMENT FOR EDUCATION GOVERNMENT REBATE FOR 2024

A \$200 rebate (discount) from the Government is available for parents, carers and independent students who are required to pay the 2025 M&S Charge. The Department for Education have advised that the \$200 rebate and any remaining credits from 2024 <u>must</u> be applied to the 2025 M&S charges. The Finance Office will apply the 2025 and any 2024 remaining credits and you will only need to pay the statement balance. Statements will be posted at the end of January.

MATERIALS AND SERVICES CHARGES PAYMENT OPTIONS

Option 1: Pay in Full

Pay in full by due date Friday 14 February, 2025 by cash, cheque, Eftpos at the Finance Office, credit card over the
phone or deposit via the school bank account BSB (105-055) Account number 233809740 using your family code or
invoice number as the reference.

Option 2: Payment by Instalment

Payment by Instalment form is available on NHS website http://www.nurihs.sa.edu.au on the School Information page with 3 set instalment dates by credit card, cash, cheque or deposit via the school bank account BSB (105-055) Account number 233809740 using your family code or invoice number as the reference. The completed form can be emailed to dl.0788.finance@schools.sa.edu.au, posted or returned to the Finance Office by Friday 14 February, 2025.

Individual payment plans can be negotiated so please contact the Finance Office to arrange. Ph. 85622022 extension 5

The Finance Office will be open during the January 2025 school holidays on:

Tuesday 21 January 9:00 am to 3:00 pm Wednesday 22 January 9:00 am to 3:00 pm Thursday 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

SCHOOL CARD ASSISTANCE 2024

School Card covers \$396 of the Materials & Services Charge. The additional \$114 of Material & Services fee will be waived if School Card is approved. Families must apply for School Card annually and lodge an application at the school where the student attends.

School Card information is available on NHS website http://www.nurihs.sa.edu.au under School Information, Finance Information. School Card forms and eligibly criteria are on the following link: www.sa.gov.au/topics/education-and-learning/financial-help-scholarships-and-grants/school-card-scheme

The Form A School Card form is based solely on the number of dependent children and income for the last financial year. School Card Form A (when available) will be on the NHS website http://www.nurihs.sa.edu.au where you can apply online or print a hardcopy. The completed form can be emailed to dl.0788.finance@schools.sa.edu.au , posted or returned to the Finance Office. This should be done as soon possible at the start of the year.

Form A is based solely on the number of dependent children and income for the last financial year. This may not be the correct form for you as there are other ways that you may meet the requirements to be eligible for school card assistance such as hardship, change of circumstance, self-employed, foster children and independent youth allowance. The NHS website has the link to access forms (via the SA GOV website) required to apply for assistance under these circumstances or contact the Finance Office and the relevant form can be sent to you. If you consider that you may be eligible for School Card please complete the form that best meets your circumstance and return it to the Finance Office as early as possible after the commencement of the 2025 school year. If you are unsure of your eligibility and require further assistance please contact the Finance Office. If you are found to be ineligible for School Card then you are liable to pay the Materials & Services Charge of \$510 (less the \$200 Government rebate).

DEBT RECOVERY POLICY

The school's Governing Council expects the Materials and Services Charges will be paid in full by 14 **February 2025** unless families have applied for School Card or have arranged to pay by instalment. If an application for School Card has not been made or there is no instalment plan in place, any outstanding debts will be forwarded to the Department for Education for debt collection by the Attorney General's Department.

OTHER CHARGES

Subject Costs

Some subjects do have costs in addition to the Materials & Services Charge. These costs are outlined in the Curriculum Guide 2025 subject descriptions. This guide is on the Nuriootpa High School web page under Programs. Invoices will be sent home as these costs occur. If you have an enquiry about the subject or the cost please contact the subject co-ordinator.

Music Program

All students who study Music from year 9 onwards must either be learning an instrument through a recognised teacher outside of school or enrol in the school's instrumental program at the beginning of the year. Instrumental music programs for flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, trombone, guitar, bass guitar, drums and voice are available at school. Piano and keyboard lessons are offered through a private provider here at school and as such a fee is charged directly by the teacher.

Musical Instrument Hire

The cost of hiring a musical instrument will depend on the instrument. Nuriootpa High School will use an external hire provider such as Size Music and the fees are set by the company. Families are responsible for the full hire amount. Instruments are issued to the student after hire fees have been paid. Drums, guitar, piano/keyboard and bass guitar are not hired but students require access to these instruments at home to practice.

Students participating in Instrumental Music lessons will be required to participate in concerts and ensembles which can include choir, concert band, year level ensembles, guitar ensembles, woodwind ensembles or percussion ensemble.

For further information please contact the Arts Coordinator or Music faculty.

VFT

VET stands for Vocational Education and Training. VET is education and training that gives students skills for work, particularly in the trades and industry. In other words, VET is education and training that gives students skills and knowledge for work. It is the kind of education offered by TAFE colleges and a range of other registered training organisations. Students have the opportunity to undertake VET as part of the South Australian Certificate of Education (SACE).

There is a cost to the parent and this will be advised when the student is enrolled in the program.

Any inquiries can be directed to the Assistant Principal SACE/VET/Years 11 & 12 on 8562 2022.

CALCULATORS

It is a requirement that all mathematics students have their own calculators. The use of a calculator on Mobile phones is not allowed as they do not have the required functionality.

Scientific Calculators

The following Mathematics courses require students to have their own Scientific calculator.

- All Year 8, 9 and 10 students
- Year 11 Essential Mathematics students

Note: Year 10 Mathematics A (second semester) students may wish to purchase their own **Graphics Calculator**. These will be required for Stage 1 and 2 General Mathematics, Mathematical Methods and Specialist Mathematics. Please see below for more information.

Students can order a new **Scientific calculator** online through Abacus Calculators, see the Scientific Calculator order form on the school website, under the School Information page. Their current new price is \$30.00 (GST inclusive), with the optional extra of protective padded case at \$6.00 (GST Inclusive) and extended five year warranty. There is no profit for the school. Calculators will be delivered to the school for the start of the school year.

Graphics Calculators

The following Mathematics courses require students to have their own Graphics calculator.

- Year 11 General Mathematics (Students studying a full year with the intention of doing Stage 2 General Mathematics)
- All Year 11 Mathematical Methods/Specialist Mathematics
- All Year 12 Mathematics students

The schools preferred **Graphics calculator** models (SACE approved) are as follows:

- Casio Fx-CG50 AU (Latest model)
- Casio Fx-CG20 AU
- Casio Fx-9860G AU Plus

Please be aware that older models do not have the same functionality or processing power.

Students can order a new **Scientific or Graphic Calculators** online through Abacus Calculators; see the Graphics Calculator order form on the school website, under the School Information page. Their current new price is \$266.00 (GST inclusive), including a padded case and extended two year warranty. There is no profit for the school. Calculators will be delivered to the school for the start of the school year.

If you intend to source your Graphics calculator elsewhere please ensure it is one of the above mentioned models. Please be aware that some other models are NOT approved by the SACE board and cannot be used for tests and exams.

DONATIONS

The Pastoral Care Worker is available to support students with confidential discussions. This service operates entirely from grants and community donations and the contribution to this school is highly valued by the staff and students.

We also encourage parents to make a contribution to our school **Building Fund** which enables us to improve facilities for our students. Donations to the Building Fund over \$2 are tax deductible.

If you wish to make a donation to the Pastoral Care Worker service or Building Fund, please contact the Finance Office.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Nuriootpa High School has a strong tradition with students wearing our uniform and we use a consultative approach through our Student Representative Council to source styles that students wish to wear. Our comprehensive range caters to individual student choice and students, parents and staff support the uniform policy. The Uniform Shop is located in Student Support.

During the January 2025 school holidays the Uniform Shop will operate from the Resource Centre on the following days:

Tuesday 21 January 9:00 am to 6:00 pm Wednesday 22 January 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm Thursday 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Term 1, Week 1 Opening Hours:

Tuesday 28 January 8:30 am to 9:30 am

Term 1, Week 2 onwards:

Thursday 8.30 am to 11.00 am 1:00 pm to 3:45 pm

1.00 pm to 3.45 pm

Order forms and price list are also available on the school's website http://www.nurihs.sa.edu.au or via Spriggy

Place your Uniform orders online with Spriggy Schools, this makes ordering more convenient for both families and the Uniform Shop.

Steps to get started:

- Go to <u>www.spriggyschools.com.au</u> to register and to find links to download the Spriggy Schools app. You can also find
 the app in your relevant device app store by searching for 'Spriggy Schools'. Alternatively you can just use their website
 to place orders
- Add a profile for each of your students, making sure you select Nuriootpa High School and your student's year level.
- · Start placing uniform orders

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Student Stationery Requirements

The list of recommended stationery required for students in each year level is available at the NHS website. Prepared year level packs and individual items are available for purchase from newsagents in Angaston, Nuriootpa, Tanunda and also Office National, Nuriootpa.

Student ID Cards

All students will be provided with a Student ID card as a part of the Materials and Services Charge. The ID card has the student's photograph, school identity number, name and date of birth on it. This card is required as proof of age and student status for subsidies outside the school. The ID card should be used to borrow text books and books from the Resource Centre.

Year Book

Order forms and cost will be available during the year.

Newsletter

The newsletter is available on the Nuriootpa High School website http://www.nurihs.sa.edu.au

Bus

Enquiries about bus transport for 2025 contact Julie Flatman in Student Support on 85622022 Ext 4 or email Julie.Flatman486@schools.sa.edu.au

STUDENT SUPPORT OFFICE

Enrolment/Personal Information Updates

To ensure the accuracy of our records and the safety of our students, it is important that we have up to date contact information for each of our students; this includes address details, phone numbers, email addresses, custody information and emergency contacts. If any of these details have changed recently, please contact us dl.0788.admin@schools.sa.edu.au or phone 8562 2022 extension 6.

Students with Medical Conditions

It is essential that we are provided with an accurate and up to date Health Care Plan for any student with a mild, serious and/or potentially life threatening medical condition. If this applies to your student, please contact Student Support dl.0788.admin@schools.sa.edu.au or phone 8562 2022 extension 1 (year 7 to 8 student absences) extension 2 (year 9 to 10 student absences) extension 3 (year 11 to 12 student absences) and we can forward a blank copy of the necessary Health Care Plan/s for your Doctor or Medical Specialist to complete. Please email or bring the completed forms to Student Support, whichever is easiest.

CANTEEN - ONLINE ORDERING WITH SPRIGGY SCHOOLS

Place your canteen orders online with Spriggy Schools, this makes lunch orders more convenient for both families and the canteen.

Steps to get started:

- Go to <u>www.spriggyschools.com.au</u> to register and to find links to download the Spriggy Schools app. You can also find
 the app in your relevant device app store by searching for 'Spriggy Schools'. Alternatively you can just use their website
 to place orders
- Add a profile for each of your students, making sure you select Nuriootpa High School and your student's year level.
- Start placing lunch orders

If you have any questions please contact Spriggy Schools via their website or the Live Chat on the app.

- Students can avoid the queue by ordering recess and/or lunch online. A pre-ordered collection point is available at door Number 1 at the Canteen
- Students are still able to pre-order lunch at the Canteen at door Number 3 in the morning and can purchase food at the Canteen at recess and lunch
- Spriggy help there is a FAQ for parents on the Spriggy Schools website and Live Chat is available on the app
- · Spriggy funds are via your Debit or Credit Card
- Cost for Spriggy on-line order is .29 cents per order. This will be added to the order once placed

TERM DATES FOR 2025

 Term 1
 28 January
 11 April

 Term 2
 28 April
 4 July

Term 3 21 July - 26 September Term 4 13 October - 12 December

Brent Bloffwitch Principal

Ann-Marie Ward Business Manager