



LAURISTON GIRLS' SCHOOL

2027 Fees Schedule and Business Notice

Overseas Students

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All fees and charges are in Australian Dollars (AUD) and are payable only in AUD. Tuition Fees are set annually by School Council. Lauriston Girls' School collects fees in accordance with the Education Services for Overseas Students (ESOS) legislation. This document should be read with your Offer of Place, signed Acceptance of Offer and the related policies listed in Section 8.

1 2027 Fees at a glance

Annual Tuition Fees

Year level	Per annum
Year 5 to Year 6	\$56,640
Year 7 to Year 8	\$66,600
Year 9 Howqua Tuition Fee	\$68,500
Year 9 Howqua Residential and Activities Charge (HRAC)	\$37,100
Year 10 to Year 12	\$70,400

Additional charges

Charge	Amount
IB Diploma Programme, Year 11	\$3,450 per annum
IB Diploma Programme, Year 12	\$1,950 per annum
Lauriston Learning Device Program (LLDP): Years 5 and 7, new Year 6 and 8 students, and existing Year 6 and 8 students who opt in	\$520 per annum, charged in Term 4 of the previous year
Howqua charter bus travel (Year 9)	\$500 per annum (incl GST)
Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC), arranged by families	Approx. from \$580 per year

Application and Admission Fees

Fee	Amount	When payable
Application Fee (non-refundable*)	\$500	With each Application for Admission
Admission Fee (non-refundable*)	\$1,250 per student	With the signed Acceptance of Offer
First 12 months of Tuition Fees	See Annual Tuition Fees	In the year prior to entry

*Non-refundable except where a refund is required under the ESOS Act (see Section 6).

Other Account charges

Late payment fee	\$200 per account, plus a further \$200 if unpaid one month later
Failed payment charge	\$60 per failed payment per failed payment for each cheque, direct debit or other payment that fails.
Holding Fee (approved extended absence)	10% of the Tuition Fee for each term of absence
LLDP damage / loss fee	\$65 damage / \$500 loss, per incident

2 Billing and payment dates

Tuition Fees are paid in advance. **Upon acceptance of a place, payment for the first 12 months is required in the year prior to entry, subject to the ESOS limit below.** Under the ESOS Act, the School will not require more than 50% of the student's total course tuition fees before the course commences; families may choose to pay more. Invoices are issued twice a year:

Invoice	Issued	Payment due
Semester 1	October each year	In full, 30 days from date of issue
Semester 2	March each year	In full, 30 days from date of issue

Invoices are available on Schoolbox and are not sent by post. For Year 12 students, the final tuition account (Semester 2) is issued in March and is due 30 days after the invoice date. Payment must be made in AUD. Students may not commence a term if fees are outstanding.

3 How to pay

No credit cards for school fees. From 1 October 2026, Lauriston no longer accepts credit card payments for school fees invoices and charges applied to your invoice, in response to Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA) changes affecting credit card surcharge arrangements. This does not apply to school-related charges not billed to your school fees invoice, including some co-curricular registrations, optional tours and deposits, through 2027.

We understand this may present challenges for international families. Please contact the Business Office to discuss flexible options.

Method	Details
BPAY (preferred)	From your cheque or savings account via telephone or internet banking. Biller code 18085 ; use the reference number on the front of your school account.
Electronic and international transfer	Payment details are provided on each invoice. For international transfers, contact the Finance Officer, Accounts Receivable on +61 3 9864 7555 or accounts@lauriston.vic.edu.au .
Cash	Not accepted.

Please email a copy of your transaction receipt whenever a payment is made to accounts@lauriston.vic.edu.au, so we can allocate it correctly. A **\$60 Failed Payment Charge** applies to each cheque, direct debit or other payment that fails.

4 Terms of payment

Late payment

Liability for fees and charges does not arise until an account is issued. Accounts are issued approximately one month before the due date. If the amount payable remains unpaid at 5:00pm on the due date, **a charge of \$200 per account** is added to defray administrative expenses. If still in default at 5:00pm one month later (the final date), **a further \$200 per account** is charged. The period from issue of the account to the final date will not exceed 62 days.

If payment remains outstanding beyond the School's payment terms, the account will be referred to a third-party collection agency, and any associated costs will be added to the account.

Outstanding fees

Students may not commence a new term while any fees due and payable remain outstanding. Where Year 12 students have outstanding fees at the due date for the final account issued in March, their enrolment may be encumbered, resulting in:

- loss of access to teaching support during the end-of-year VCE/IB exam preparation period, including participation in and marking of exams and assessments;
- loss of access to Lauriston Girls' School computer systems, including internet, intranet and Schoolbox; and
- loss of access to library borrowing and other library services.

Interim billing

The School will issue an Interim Account where significant other charges are incurred. This is most likely to occur in December.

Consumer credit and payment arrangements

Tuition Fees and other charges are invoiced in advance and are payable in accordance with these Terms of Payment. The School does not ordinarily provide credit within the meaning of the National Consumer Credit Protection Act 2009 (Cth). Payment obligations arise upon the issue of an invoice and are not subject to interest or finance charges.

Any payment arrangement approved by the School (including instalment or deferred payment arrangements):

- is offered at the School's discretion;
- does not constitute the provision of consumer credit for the purposes of the National Consumer Credit Protection Act 2009 (Cth), unless expressly agreed otherwise; and
- must be complied with strictly in accordance with its agreed terms.

Parents/guardians who require external financing to meet school fee obligations should make their own arrangements with an independent financial institution or licensed credit provider.

Nothing in this Fees Schedule limits the School's rights to:

- require payment of fees in advance;
- suspend or restrict access to services or activities where accounts are overdue; or
- take reasonable steps to recover outstanding amounts, including referral to a third-party collection agency in accordance with applicable laws.

All fee arrangements and collection practices are administered in accordance with applicable legislation, including the Australian Consumer Law.

Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Most educational courses are GST free. Some items are taxable, including food at camps, transport to and from school, and certain recreational events or activities such as the Year 12 Graduation Dinner. The Year 9 HRAC is exempt from GST.

5 Enrolment fees and conditions

Application Fee

A non-refundable* \$500 Application Fee is payable for each Application for Admission. A student's place is confirmed upon successful completion of an enrolment interview with the Principal or delegate and receipt of the signed Acceptance of Offer together with the fees below.

Acceptance of Offer

To accept an Offer of Place, **both parents/guardians must sign the Acceptance of Offer** (if there is only one signatory, documentation may be requested to confirm this) and return it to the School by the due date in the Offer of Place, together with:

1. a non-refundable* Admission Fee of \$1,250 per student. The Admission Fee is separate to, and is not applied against, Tuition Fees;

2. Tuition Fees for the student's first 12 months (see Section 1). Any change in fees before the student commences will be added to the next fee account after commencement; and
3. a copy of the Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC) policy certificate, valid for the full duration of the student visa.

Once all documents and fees are received, the School will issue a Confirmation of Enrolment (eCoE), which is required to begin the online student visa application. **It is the responsibility of the student and family to apply for and renew visas.**

Signatories to the Acceptance of Offer are **jointly and severally responsible** for all fees and charges payable as a result of enrolling a student at Lauriston Girls' School.

*Non-refundable except where a refund is required under the ESOS Act (see Section 6).

Tuition Fees

School Council sets Tuition Fees annually, taking into account the School's annual budget, including future operational and capital requirements. The School publishes a Fees Schedule each year.

Deferred enrolment

Overseas students may defer their confirmed entry year and year level only for compassionate or compelling circumstances, as deferral may affect the Student Visa. Requests must be made in writing to the Principal with one full term's notice. The Head of Enrolments will place the application on the waitlist for the requested year level and entry year, where it will be considered in order of receipt with all other applications for that year level and entry year. There is no guarantee that a place will be offered.

Withdrawal (cancellation of enrolment)

A full term's notice in writing must be received by the Principal before a student is withdrawn or her enrolment cancelled, including a student who has accepted a place but not yet started at the School.

Extended absence (leave of absence)

An overseas student may defer or temporarily suspend enrolment only on compassionate or compelling grounds, and any extended absence may affect the Student Visa. The Principal must be notified in writing of any planned extended absence of one term or less. Leave is granted at the Principal's discretion, only on compassionate or compelling grounds, and only if all fees, charges and other amounts owing to the School are paid in full.

A non-refundable **Holding Fee of 10% of the Tuition Fee** applies for each term of absence to retain the student's place. Failure to pay a Holding Fee may lead to cancellation of the enrolment and will affect the Student Visa.

6 Refunds (ESOS)

Standard 3 of the National Code of Practice for Providers of Education and Training to Overseas Students 2018 (the National Code) requires the School to have processes for claiming a refund of tuition or non-tuition fees paid by overseas students. Refunds are calculated in accordance with the Education Services for Overseas Students (Calculation of Refund) Specification 2014 (the Specification).

Situation	Refund
Student default: the student is refused a visa, withdraws, does not start on the agreed date, or the Offer of Place becomes invalid (ESOS Act, Division 2, Subdivision B)	The student must apply for a refund in writing. The School will pay any refund owing within four weeks of receiving the written claim.
Registered provider default (ESOS Act, section 46A)	The School will give written notice of the default to affected students and pay all refunds owing within 14 days after the default day.

The amount of any refund, and any amount the School may retain, is calculated in accordance with the ESOS Act and the Specification, and will not exceed what that legislation permits. Any outstanding amounts owing to the School are settled or deducted before a refund is paid, and refunds are paid to the original payer. Full details are in the Overseas Student Course Refund Policy.

Order of precedence. If anything in this Fees Schedule, or in any other School document, is inconsistent with the ESOS Act, the National Code or the Specification, the legislation prevails to the extent of the inconsistency. Nothing in this Fees Schedule limits any right a student or family has under the ESOS Act or the Australian Consumer Law.

7 Other charges

Accommodation and health cover

- **Accommodation:** Lauriston is a day school and does not provide boarding. Lauriston does not enrol students requiring homestay arrangements.
- **Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC):** the Australian Government requires full fee-paying overseas students to hold health cover, paid in advance for the length of the student visa, to obtain a visa. Families must arrange their own OSHC (approximately from \$700 per year at the time of writing) and provide a copy of the certificate to Admissions.

Year 9 Howqua Residential and Activities Charge (HRAC)

The HRAC covers food, board, laundry and outdoor activities, together with the additional staffing and resources required to operate the residential campus. It is payable in advance.

- Parents of Year 7 students may elect to prepay the HRAC via payment options offered at the end of Term 2 of Year 7. For new students in Year 8 or 9, the HRAC is due in line with the usual billing dates.
- Outdoor activities and expeditions such as canoeing and skiing (up to four days of downhill skiing) are covered by the Annual Tuition Fee and the HRAC. In a good ski season, approximately \$200 per day applies to downhill skiing beyond four days, added to your school account.
- Charter bus travel to and from the Howqua campus is a fixed \$500 (incl GST) per year, charged in advance in two equal instalments in October and April.

Devices

Lauriston runs a One-to-One technology program, and students in Year 5 and above must have access to a device that meets curriculum requirements. The Lauriston Learning Device Program (LLDP) is being phased in for Years 5 to 8.

Year level in 2027	Program
Year 5 and Year 7	LLDP
Year 6 and Year 8 (new students)	LLDP
Year 6 and Year 8 (existing students)	Existing arrangements, unless opted into the LLDP by 30 October 2026
Years 10, 11 and 12	Existing Lauriston Device Portal (LDP) or bring your own device (BYOD)

- **LLDP:** students receive a school-managed Apple MacBook Neo, configured and supported by Lauriston IT. The Device Access fee of \$520 per year includes all required licensing (including filtering software), support, and protection against accidental damage and loss, with a **\$65 damage fee and \$500 loss fee per incident**.
- **Existing arrangements:** existing Year 6 and 8 students who do not opt in continue to use their Apple MacBook Air or MacBook Pro. Years 10 to 12 may choose a MacBook or a Windows pen-enabled device through the portal or BYOD.

Devices that are purchased through the portal are delivered to Lauriston IT and configured with required applications, basic security software and network settings. The IT Service Desk provides basic technical support (such as network and login issues) and arranges third-party repairs at the family's cost. Parents are responsible for costs of accidental breakage or loss, including deciding whether to obtain Accidental Breakage Insurance.

Other charges

Books and materials	Fees and charges, including booklists and materials requirements, are issued to all families in Term 1.
Camps	Year level camps are charged to your school account. Optional camps and activities are advised in advance and charged separately.
Co-curricular programs	Optional activities and fees are set out in the Co-Curricular Handbook. Places are first come, first served, and students must be officially enrolled via the handbook process. Students cannot participate while Tuition Fees are outstanding. To withdraw, written cancellation must be submitted to the Business Office (accounts@lauriston.vic.edu.au) at least four weeks before the end of term; otherwise your school account will be charged four weeks' fees.
Printing	A \$100 printing credit per student is included in Tuition Fees. Usage beyond this is notified to parents and charged to your school account.
Uniforms	Available from Bob Stewart, online and at their Malvern store. Second-hand items are available at Lauriston Parents' Association pop-up shops held periodically on site.

8 Accounts, insurance and contacts

Your account

Families must advise the School of any change to contact details, family circumstances or other relevant particulars. View your account and update your details by logging into Schoolbox and selecting **My Details**.

Flexischools: Lauriston Café is cashless for all students. On entry, register for a Flexischools account at www.flexischools.com.au and link it to your child's student number and class.

Insurance

The School carries limited insurance for student accidents. It is not intended to replace private health cover; contact the Business Office for full policy details. Loss of equipment or personal belongings is not covered. The School does not carry insurance for non-payment of fees resulting from the death or disablement of a parent.

Use of personal information

Information provided to the School is treated in accordance with the School's Privacy Policy (see Related policies), and may be provided to relevant Commonwealth and State Government agencies.

Related policies

This Fees Schedule should be read with the School's current policies, published at lauriston.vic.edu.au/policies-guidelines.

Contacts

Enquiry	Contact
Overseas student enrolments	Admissions: admissions@lauriston.vic.edu.au
Fees, payments and accounts	Business Office: accounts@lauriston.vic.edu.au +61 3 9864 7555
Schoolbox login and technical issues	IT Helpdesk: helpdesk@lauriston.vic.edu.au +61 3 9864 7511



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