



Saint Mark's Coptic Orthodox College

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Dear Parents

PROPOSED COLLEGE FEES FOR 2010

St Mark's College has completed its 14th year of service to our Coptic and local communities. This year the College has continued to improve its facilities and its delivery of educational programs and raised the quality of service, a quality that is exceptional for a low fee paying school. St Mark's College competes with private schools with fees five times those our parents pay! We have been blessed with outstanding results in both Junior and Senior School, as well as the School Certificate and Higher School Certificates results. I am sure you all know that the HSC results this year were outstanding and above state average.

This has all been achieved through your support of the College and through the Grace of the Lord, in His wisdom, providing us with well qualified and exceptionally dedicated teachers and support staff. All this places St Mark's College amongst the top independent and selective schools in the state, even though we are restricted by our modest tuition fees.

St Mark's is a school with limited funds and resources, but has achieved so much through everyone's goodwill, love and commitment for its continuing operation. We look forward to your continued support by your prompt payment of the school fees. Accordingly, the Board has approved an increase in fees for 2010 as set out in the table below. To assist families with more than one child the generous discounts have been maintained, as shown below:

1. First Child (full fee paying)
2. Second Child (20% discount on fees only)
3. Third Child (35% discount on fees only)
4. Fourth Child onwards (Exempt from fees, only pay for activities)

N.B. No discount applies to Kindergarten children.



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	Fees	Activities	Total
KG	\$800	\$255	\$1,055
1	\$1,595	\$280	\$1,875
2	\$1,630	\$280	\$1,910
3	\$1,730	\$510	\$2,240
4	\$1,800	\$460	\$2,260
5	\$1,830	\$860	\$2,690
6	\$1,925	\$810	\$2,735
7	\$2,100	\$1,045	\$3,145
8	\$2,225	\$915	\$3,140
9	\$2,400	\$760	\$3,160
10	\$2,480	\$785	\$3,265
11	\$2,860	\$760	\$3,620
12	\$2,935	\$685	\$3,620

Parents will still have the option of either paying in three instalments or in full, which attracts a generous discount.

Part A: General Payment Schedule

Please note that fees will continue to be payable by the second Friday in the first **three** terms of the 2010 year.

Instalment 1 Payment Date: Tuition Fee & Activities Levy: Friday, 12th February, 2010, Term 1.

Instalment 2 Payment Date: Tuition Fee & Activities Levy: Friday, 29th April, 2010, Term 2.

Instalment 3 Payment Date: Tuition Fee & Activities Levy: Friday, 30th July, 2010, Term 3.

Part B: Early or Late Payment Schedule to Receive Discounts or Interest Penalty

Please note that a discount applies to the Tuition Fee only and the penalty applies to the Full Fee, including Activities Levy.

- **10% discount (Tuition Fee only) for full payment (including Tuition and Activities Fees) by Cash, by Friday, 12th February, 2010.**
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- **8% discount (Tuition Fee only) for full payment (including Tuition and Activities Fees) by Credit Card/EFTPOS, by Friday, 12th February, 2010.**
- **Outstanding balances on all school fees will be referred to our debt collector and incur a 10% collection fee.**



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Building Fund Levy is only \$225 annually for one child or \$300 per family. (No increase for the fifth consecutive year.) This can be paid in three instalments or as a lump sum payment. In order to receive a tax deduction it is best paid before 30th June each year. St Mark's is heavily dependent upon the building fund contribution from parents to maintain the grounds and buildings and to embark upon future building projects. We thank all the parents for making their yearly contribution to this fund so that our future generations can enjoy a full comprehensive education.



Our College has been a great blessing for our children and our community. Through the hard work and commitment of parents and staff, we are building a system that is truly unique, as many people outside the Coptic Community have often remarked. We plead to all parents to please continue to support our College by making their payments on time. We all want to provide our children with the best quality education that is possible and we can only do this with sufficient funds.

Yours faithfully

Janet Stewart
Head of College.