

**SCHOOL NO. 4401 - KATANDRA WEST**

Policy Statement: RESOURCES

950 - PARENT PAYMENT

Responsibility: Principal, School Council

This Policy was last ratified by School Council in 2012.

**1. PURPOSE:**

To provide a diverse range of high quality learning opportunities for all students by using locally raised funds. The locally raised funds add significantly to the school's ability to provide a diverse and high quality curriculum.

**2. GUIDELINES:**

- 2.1 School Council seeks to supplement Department of Education and Early Childhood Development resources with a variety of locally raised funds, which are termed Parent Payment.
- 2.2 The Resources Committee, after consulting with others, will make a recommendation to School Council regarding the proposed Parent Payment for the following year.
- 2.3 The purpose and amount charged for Parent Payment will be decided by School Council, and communicated to Parents as part of the school's Newsletter at the end of each year.
- 2.4 The provision of student Reports cannot be conditional upon the payment of Parent Payment.
- 2.5 Where a Parent pays Parent Payment for a specific purpose, the school may not use the funds for any other purpose without the consent of Parents.
- 2.6 The school portion of each eligible Parent's Education Maintenance Allowance can be used to pay for Parent Payment that Parents are normally expected to pay.
- 2.7 As with all parent Payments to the school, School Council will provide opportunities for all parents experiencing financial difficulties to enter into alternative and confidential payment arrangements with the Principal to pay Parent Payment.
- 2.8 In addition to Parent Payment, School Council may also seek voluntary contributions.
- 2.9 Any refund due (eg. if child did not go on Camp after payment has been made) will come in the form of a cheque.
- 2.10 The Principal, in consultation with School Council, may vary this Policy if necessary.