

## **Alexander Road High School**

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## Payment of School Fees:

School fees are payable in advance and are due on the first day of the school year. The following terms of payment are offered by the School:

- Payment in full before 5 February (5% discount offered).
- Debit order over 11 months from 25 January to 25 November or 1 February to 1 December.
- Monthly payments by internet transfer, bank deposit, cash, cheque or credit card from 1 February to 1 December.

Failure to comply with the above payment terms by the 5 th of any given month constitutes a default on your part resulting in the full outstanding amount of the annual debt becoming due and payable.

Any indulgence granted by the School to the parent(s) / legal guardian(s) in the payment of school fees, shall not be construed as a waiver of any rights of the school which it may have or as an estoppal against the enforcement of any such rights. If accounts are not settled within seven (7) days of the due date the school reserves the right to proceed with legal action for the recovery of the full outstanding amount as per the National Credit Act read with the South African Schools' Act.

It is agreed by the parent(s) / legal guardian(s) that a certificate issued and signed by the Chairperson of the Governing Body specifying the amount owed by the parent(s) / legal guardian(s) and stating that such amount is due and payable by the parent(s) / legal guardian(s) to the school, shall be prima facie proof of the amount and that same is due, owing and payable for purposes of obtaining provisional sentence or summary judgement against the parent(s) / legal guardian(s).

In the instance where the parent(s)' / legal guardian(s)' account is handed over to the school's attorneys for collection, the parent(s) / legal guardian(s) shall be liable for payment as between Attorney and own Client for all the school's legal costs, including collection commission calculated in accordance with the rules of the Law Society of the Cape of Good Hope, so as to give the school a full indemnity in respect of such costs incurred in collection of the outstanding school fees.

The parent(s) / legal guardian(s) shall make all payments at the attorneys' offices in settlement of the default school fees handed over. All payments made by the parent(s) / legal guardian(s) in terms of the default amount handed over for collection, shall be appropriated firstly in satisfaction of all legal costs and interest and secondly in reduction of the capital amount due. In circumstances of genuine hardship resulting from either changed employment circumstances and the like, the parents must complete the school's official school fee subsidies application form and motivate why alternative arrangements for the payment of school fees need to be considered. This approach must be made prior to any default and parents must be prepared for an exhaustive investigation, supplied by documentary proof, into their financial circumstances and lifestyle.

School fee subsidies may be granted according to the Amendment of Section 41 of Act 84 of 1996 published in Government Gazette 29311 of 18 October 2006 as amended in Government Gazette 29392 of 17 November 2006.