

## ALEXANDER ROAD HIGH SCHOOL

## **BUDGET AND SCHOOL FEES 2021**

In accordance with the regulations as laid down in the South African Schools' Act of 1996, a meeting of parents was held in the Jeff Ilsley Auditorium on Wednesday evening 04 November 2020. At this meeting the proposed budget for 2021 was accepted and an adjustment to the current school fee of 2,2% was also accepted. Compulsory School Fees for 2021 in terms of Section 39 of the South African Schools Act, will therefore be as follows:

## R33 245,00 PER ANNUM PER CHILD

Please note the following resolutions are in place:

- **<u>Resolution 1</u>**. We, the parents of Alexander Road High School, resolve to be a fee-paying school. School fees will be determined for 2021 and charged by the school.
- **Resolution 2:** We, the parents of Alexander Road High School, approve the budget for 2021, as tabled, which reflects the estimated trends of non-payment and of the exemptions likely to be granted to parents in terms of applicable legislations.
- **Resolution 3:** We, the parents of Alexander Road High School agree to apply the criteria for total, partial or conditional exemption of parents who are unable to pay compulsory school fees as specified in the Regulations for the Exemption of Parents from the Payment of School Fees, 2005, as amended.
- **Resolution 4:** We, the parents of Alexander Road High School, authorise the SGB to make payments to state employed members of staff in terms of Section 38A of the South African Schools Act and approve the sum allocated towards Section 38A payments as reflected in the budget tabled.

**Resolution 5:** We, the parents of Alexander Road High School, agree that the fees for 2021 will be R33 245 per learner.

## VERY IMPORTANT:

- School Fees are **PAYABLE IN ADVANCE** and are due on the first day of the school year 2021.
- The following **<u>TERMS OF PAYMENT</u>** are offered by the school:
  - **2.1 Payment in full** by 5 February with a 5 % discount (i.e. R31 583,00)
  - 2.2 Debit Order over 11 months of R3 022,00 per month per child from:
    - 25 January to 25 November **OR** 1 February to 1 December
  - **2.3 Monthly payments** by Internet transfer, bank deposit or cash, cheque or credit card, **1 February to 1 December**, i.e. 11 months at R3 022,00 per month per child.
- Both parents, irrespective of their marital status and/or personal arrangements, are liable in law for their child's school fees.
- Applications for reduction in school fees, completed by both parents, must be received by the school on the
  official Alex form before the end of February. Applications received after the end of February will NOT be
  considered unless personal circumstances, properly motivated, have changed drastically beyond your control.
  Parents who applied for a reduction in 2020 must re-apply for 2021. Reductions in school fees do NOT include
  arrear payments and are granted from the date of receipt of the application. For new applications for admission a
  reduction in school fees will only be considered if the completed checklist form attached to the application form
  indicated that the intention is to apply for such a reduction, or if personal circumstances have changed drastically
  beyond your control since completing the checklist form.
- Kindly note further that this letter serves as a notice in terms of Section 41(5)(a) of the South African Schools Act 84 of 1996. You are accordingly requested to take note of the following:
   That unless exempted, you are liable for the payment of the annual school fees as detailed in this circular letter and that the payment of school fees is compulsory. You are furthermore entitled to apply for a reduction, alternatively exemption of school fees, in which event you are to indicate your intention to apply and whether you require assistance with such application. Applicants must be prepared for an exhaustive investigation, supported by documentary proof, into their financial circumstances and lifestyle.
- We are aware that the current economic climate is particularly demanding, but timeous payment of school fees must be your priority for there is nothing more important than your child receiving the quality education you desire from our school. It is unfair that the majority of parents who make personal sacrifices, in order to meet their school fee payments, *"carry"* those who simply do not pay.
- Should fees not be paid timeously the school has the right to list you with a relevant credit bureau as a slow payer.
- The accounts of parents who default on payment will, without exception, be handed over to our attorneys for collection. Judgment could be taken against either or both parents, for the principal debt with costs, which would result in your being blacklisted.
- It may be of great assistance for you to start paying your 2021 fees immediately. Some parents find that this helps alleviate some pressure off their budget next year.
- A credit card facility is available. All Visa, Master & Debit Cards are welcome, but the 5% discount is <u>NOT</u> offered with this method of payment.
- School fees do **NOT** include costs for instrument hire, tours, tournaments and long distance travel.