



NORTH BIRMINGHAM ACADEMY

CHARGING POLICY

All students are entitled to full access to the compulsory school curriculum, regardless of parents' capacity to pay. No student will be disadvantaged due to financial hardship (parents may contact the finance officer for further details). Therefore, no charge is normally made for any educational activity which takes place during school hours.

However, there are some exceptions:

- Contributions towards the cost of materials/equipment for practical subjects where the student wishes to own the finished product;
- The option to purchase certain revision texts. (A deposit may sometimes be requested and returned when the text is handed back).

Charges can be levied for optional activities out of Academy hours, for board and lodging on residential visits and for entering more than one examination in a particular subject.

It is acceptable to request voluntary payments towards the cost of running an activity during the school day. While these payments are not compulsory, if the level of payments does not cover the cost, the visit or activity may have to be cancelled.

Parents will be asked to pay for examination fees where a pupil fails to complete the examination requirements, e.g. incomplete coursework, frequent absence or truancy from school or failure to sit an examination.

Parents will be asked to pay for the replacement of damaged or lost equipment, including books, where this is caused by the pupil's misbehaviour or negligence.

Approved by NBA Governors on:

Date of Next Review:.....

Lead Manager: