



SIMON'S TOWN SCHOOL
LAWHILL MARITIME CENTRE
Investing in a future maritime generation since 1995



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BURSARY FEES - 2024

The Lawhill Maritime Centre wishes to thank you for interest in helping us **invest in a future maritime generation**. Your support will make it possible for us to build on our track record of successfully preparing young people for future careers in the maritime and related industries.

If not familiar with our programme, please do take a moment to visit our website and Facebook pages, as well as our Youtube channel <https://www.youtube.com/@lawhillmaritimecentre1995/videos>. The channel includes a short video about our programme: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Bbe6zOu_xUM.

Although we are part of a Government School, the STS Lawhill Maritime Centre receives *no direct Government* funding and is currently entirely reliant on the industry and individual donors to support its operation and maintain the high standards associated with our programme (this, despite facing increasing costs for food, utilities, fibre, transport, medical care etc)

FYLL BOARDING AND TUITION FEES

To adequately accommodate the educational, welfare and safety needs of the young people placed in our care, **our bursary fee for 2024 will be R95000 per student, per annum**. As a comparison, the combined **2023** tuition and boarding fees of other Government subsidised schools in Cape Town is over R120 000 per annum.

This fee covers:

- Providing 24-hour care and supervision to boarding students for approximately 200 school days per year.
- Tuition (school fees for maximum subjects) as well as full boarding costs (which includes all accommodation costs and three nutritious meals 7 days a week)
- Salaries covering the costs of specialist maritime educators, a small team of support staff as well as the administrative services provided by Simon's Town School's Bursar
- Ad-hoc costs associated with our maritime extra-mural programme which comprises swimming, rowing, diving, motorboating, sailing as well as coding and robotics. These costs are in addition to those covered by the various programme sponsors. (Please see our YouTube Channel for video on our different extra-mural programmes).
- Weekly Mathematics and Physical Science Extra Lessons which are essential to bringing many of our learners up to standard and ensuring that they comply with the academic entrance requirements of tertiary institutions.
- Student access to computers, printers and high speed fibre as well as the professional maintenance of these
- Transporting students to industry outings and events as well as doctors, dentists and other specialists – and more!

The bursary fee **excludes** transportation (bus tickets and shuttle costs) four times a year for learners returning home for the holidays. This cost is *only applicable to those who live within two or more hours of our hostel* and, if incurred, are invoiced separately to the bursary fee.

Kindly note – we welcome additional financial contributions to supplement our STUDENT SUPPORT budget which is used to cover unexpected emergency medical costs (as many families do not have medical aid) well as Mental Health support costs. It is not always possible to budget adequately for these as we do not know how many students will require these essential services.

Thank you once again for your support and interest in our programme.

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