



BARNES SCHOOL & JUNIOR COLLEGE, DEVLALI
CIRCULAR NO 13 / 2020-2021

Saturday, 19th September 2020

Dear Parents,

This is to inform you that classes for Grades 9 to 12 will continue online, till further notice, since only approximately 25 parents, out of our 360 students, gave their consent for attending classes physically for Grades 9 to 12.

We further draw your attention that we have not declared / levied any **late fee or penalty** for non-payment of fee and by default extension was granted. However, such an extension cannot arbitrarily continue for long and hence students / parents whose fees remain unpaid are reminded to pay the same on time.

We gratefully thank all parents who have already cleared the fees till the second quarter.

Please note that the discount of **50% of one month's Tuition Fee** being offered on payment of the **entire year's fee paid at one time** will cease after **Wednesday, 30th September 2020**.

I am glad to inform you that in an effort to make the process of payment of fees more convenient, we have tied up with the State Bank of India to introduce "**State Bank Collect**", an online fee collection portal that provides the following benefits to parents:

1. No need to visit the school or bank
2. No need to carry cash, cheque or Demand Draft
3. More payment options
 - State Bank of India's internet banking platform
 - State Bank ATM cum Debit Card
 - Debit Cards of other banks
 - Credit Cards of State Bank of India and other banks
 - Internet Banking of other banks
 - Through SBI branches (using challan)
4. Low transaction cost
5. Fees can be deposited anytime
6. Receipts can be printed anytime

Regular and frequent meetings with parents to provide a **patient hearing** to their complaints / grievances have been offered by the school, along with rational support and appropriate responses to mitigate the uncertainties.

We have reached out to each and every student through various emails during the lockdown, totaling to **more than 10 circulars**.

In order to overcome the challenges thrown by the global pandemic, Barnes School & Junior College took a host of initiatives, such as swift changeover to **online / digital classes**, using various online platforms, including the suite of Google Classroom, Google Meet and Zoom. The same is being used effectively for our ongoing online assessments.

We humbly request parents to continue your support as it is a **moral responsibility** of our school to take care of all our teaching and non-teaching staff.

Barnes School & Junior College has been making timely / scheduled payments, registration fees for students, as well as making the annual maintenance charges, applicable taxes and constantly upgrading in digital teaching and learning.

Almost all **operational** and **capital expenditure** has remained **constant** the only expense to save on in our school is typically electricity, which is absolutely meager in proportion.

I am happy to inform you that Barnes School & Junior College charges the **lowest fee** among all competitive schools for a similar nature.

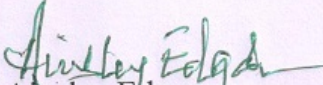
In consideration of the above-mentioned facts and circumstances, we are in **no position** to **reduce fees**, or provide any discount.

Please remember when you chose Barnes School & Junior College as the appropriate school for your child / children, you must have considered our **legacy** of value based education and committed best academic delivery. We want to assure you – you made a wise choice. We are still the same. We need to take our **relationship of trust** to the next level, which is subject to testing in this pandemic.

We hope all of the recipients will appreciate the **genuine spirit**, tone and tenure of this circular and support us.

Thank you.

Sincerely,


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Principal

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