

Student Wellbeing Boost

FEDERATION FUNDING AGREEMENT – EDUCATION AND SKILLS

Table 1: Formalities and operation of schedule	
Parties	Commonwealth New South Wales Victoria Queensland Western Australia South Australia Tasmania Northern Territory Australian Capital Territory
Duration	This Schedule expires on the later of 30 June 2024, or completion of the initiative, including final performance reporting.
Purpose	This Schedule will support schools to respond to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and successive lockdowns on the mental health and wellbeing of their students through the delivery of additional one-off funding for extra mental health and wellbeing resources and initiatives under the <i>Student Wellbeing Boost</i> commitment (Boost).
Estimated financial contributions	<p>The Commonwealth will provide a total financial contribution to the States of \$192 million in respect of this Schedule.</p> <p>The Commonwealth's contribution to each State for the Boost is the amount in Table 1 and is based on approximately \$20,000 multiplied by the number of government and non-government schools with a unique Australian Government Education ID number (AGEID) with one or more students enrolled in 2022 in that State.</p>

	Table 1		
	(\$ million)	2022-23	Total
	Total National Partnership Payments	192.0	192.0
	- New South Wales	62.2	62.2
	- Victoria	45.6	45.6
	- Queensland	35.8	35.8
	- Western Australia	22.3	22.3
	- South Australia	14.2	14.2
	- Tasmania	5.2	5.2
	- the Northern Territory	4.0	4.0
	- the Australian Capital Territory	2.7	2.7
Additional terms	<i>Role of the Commonwealth</i>		
	<p>1. In addition to Clause 19 of the FFA (Role of the Commonwealth), the Commonwealth will be responsible for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) facilitating information sharing with the States to support the delivery of the Boost; and b) allowing States to use up to one per cent (1%) of total Boost school funding for the administration of the Boost. <p><i>Role of the States and Territories</i></p> <p>2. In addition to Clause 20 of the FFA (Role of the States and Territories), States will be responsible for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) determining a methodology for allocating the Boost, by engaging with the Catholic education commission and the association of independent schools in that State, which: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. allocates a minimum of \$2,000 to every school in that State with a unique Australian Government Education Identification number (AGEID) and operating in Term 1, 2023; and ii. Considers post-COVID-19 pandemic mental health and wellbeing needs of students of each eligible school, such as a school's size, location and student demographics. b) distributing the allocated amounts to the approved authorities and approved system authorities of eligible schools in the State by 30 June 2023 and advising each approved authority and approved system authority: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. of the breakdown, by each eligible school, of its funding allocation; ii. that the minimum amount of \$2,000 is to be distributed by that approved authority or approved 		

	<p>system authority to its eligible school(s), and that the full amount of the allocated amounts to that approved authority or approved system authority must be distributed to that approved authority's or approved system authority's eligible school(s);</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">iii. that funding must be spent in accordance with 2.d), andiv. that every school receiving the funds will have the discretion to determine the best way to use these funds to support the wellbeing of the students of that school. <p>c) allocating at least 99 per cent (99%) of the Boost to eligible schools in accordance with 2.a) and distributing those funds to the approved authorities and approved system authorities of those schools in accordance with 2.b);</p> <p>d) putting in place appropriate processes to ensure that Boost is only used for mental health and wellbeing activities, which may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">i. extra school mental health professionals, such as psychologists and school counsellors;ii. camps, excursions, sporting and social activities that improve students' wellbeing; andiii. proven student wellbeing, student engagement and mental health initiatives, <p>and</p> <p>e) putting in place appropriate processes to ensure that the Boost is spent, or committed to be spent:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">i. by 31 March 2024, andii. only on matters at 2.d) above that would not be provided in the absence of the Boost, or that are in addition to such matters that would be provided in the absence of the Boost. <p><i>Reporting Arrangements</i></p> <p>3. The States will provide reports to the Commonwealth during the operation of this Schedule in accordance with Table 2:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) the methodology for allocating Boost to schools, that States have engaged with the Catholic education commission and the association of independent schools in that State on;b) the amount of funding allocated to each school of each approved authority and approved system authority in accordance with the agreed methodology;
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	<p>c) confirmation that the requirements set out in Item 2.b), 2.c), 2.d) and 2.e) of this Schedule were met; and</p> <p>d) at least three (3) examples of how the Boost has supported the wellbeing of a school community.</p> <p>4. Reporting provided to the Commonwealth under Item 3 may be published and used by the Commonwealth in any review of the Boost.</p> <p><i>Interpretation</i></p> <p>5. For the purpose of this Schedule:</p> <p>a) “approved authority” and “approved system authority” have the meanings given by the <i>Australian Education Act 2013</i>.</p>
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Table 2: Performance requirements, reporting and payment summary

Output	Performance milestones	Report due	Payment
Preparation for the delivery of the Boost in 2023	Signature of this Schedule	On signature	In full on signature of this schedule in accordance with Table 1
Methodology	Provision of reporting in accordance with Item.3.a) in this Schedule	01/05/2023	
Allocation of funds	Distributing the allocated amount to the approved authorities and approved system authorities of every eligible school in the State by 30 June 2023 and advising approved authorities and approved system authorities of the allocation to each of its eligible schools in accordance with Item 2 of this Schedule	30/06/2023	
Delivery of the Boost	Provision of reporting in accordance with Item 3.b) in this Schedule	31/12/2023	n/a
Final reporting	Provision of reporting in accordance with Item 3.c) and 3.d) in this Schedule	30/06/2024	n/a

The Parties have confirmed their commitment to this schedule as follows:

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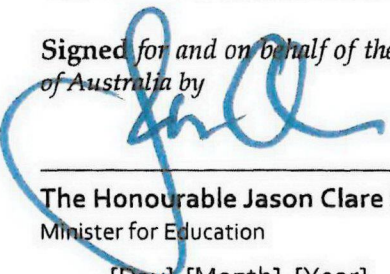
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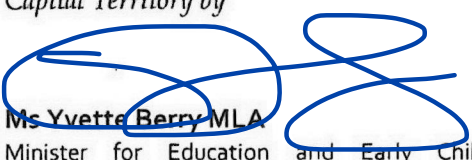
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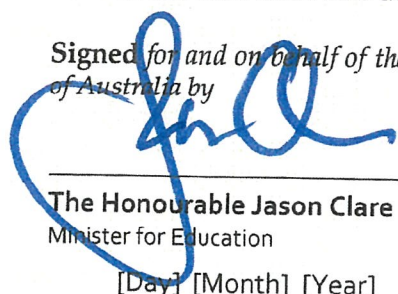
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