



Department of Education and
Early Childhood Development

2013-14 PAEC Presentation

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2013-14 Budget Context

Government's Vision for Education: *Towards Victoria as a Learning Community (TVLC)*

TVLC outlines the Government's plan to improve Victorian students' outcomes in line with the global top tier



Autonomy

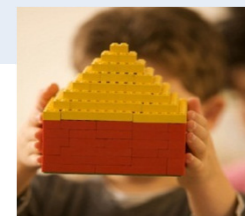
- providing schools with the flexibility to make locally informed decisions

Professional Trust

- valuing the leaders and teachers who will drive the third wave

Accountability and Support

- addressing lagging performance in a targeted and timely way



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Government's Vision for Education: *New Directions*

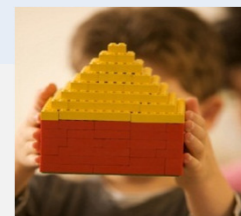
The Government's *New Directions for School Leadership and the Teaching Profession* position paper outlines three key actions to improve the quality of teaching in Victoria:

Attract great
people into
teaching

Create a high
performance
profession

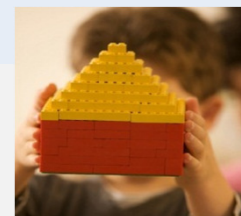
Provide strong
direction and
support

"The greatest force for realising our goal of moving into the global top tier is the quality of teaching in Victoria's schools."



Overhauling the education bureaucracy to reduce the burden on all Victorian government schools:

- ✓ Regional offices now acting as support agencies for schools
- ✓ Greater autonomy to Principals over the management of Student Support Services, ensuring services are timely and responsive to school needs
- ✓ Control over school networks returned to Principals
- ✓ Principals and school councils given greater control over capital works management



Total additional investment in the Education portfolio since 2011-12:

<i>Output funding</i>	\$944 million
<i>Asset funding (TEI)</i>	\$611 million

Delivered Election Commitments:

- ✓ Expansion of Primary Welfare Officers
- ✓ Increased funding for students with special needs
- ✓ Critical school capital projects funded
- ✓ Investment in Maths, Science, and Languages programs



Challenges for Education

Key challenges for Education facing the 2013-14 State Budget:

Flat-lining Performance

- Victorian students' performance has flat-lined in recent years, and is below other top tier jurisdictions performance

Commonwealth Uncertainty

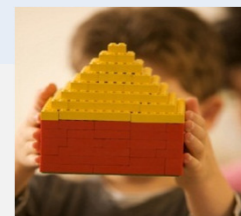
- As funding comes to an end, proposed initiatives lack financial detail, making their impact on Victoria uncertain

Growth

- Population boom is hitting schools now
- Increases in the cohort of students with a disability

Asset Management

- Maintenance backlog of \$420 million and high demand for capital investment



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School Education in 2013-14

*The 2013-14 Budget will deliver more than **\$338 million** over five years for school education and will support the first tranche of reforms outlined in TVLC*

\$59.8 million
for initiatives to
move Victoria
into the global
top tier

\$71.4 million in
support for
students with
additional
needs

\$203 million
for the School
Capital Program



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Top Tier: Lifting School Performance

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"Victorian Principals will review each other's performance and hold each other to account for outcomes as part of major reforms to the school accountability process"

**\$15.7
million is
allocated
to:**

Improve the quality of candidates for principalship through a course to prepare high-potential principals for their first appointment

Build the capacity of leaders to improve teaching quality and student achievement through one-on-one and team coaching

Initiate the move towards peer-led accountability arrangements, supporting schools to learn from the best local examples of educational practice



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Top Tier: China Immersion Program

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"A stronger partnership model, allowing students to access different subjects across different school and non-school providers"



\$17.1 million over five years will develop Chinese language proficiency and strengthen personal connections between Victoria and China.



Up to 1500 year 9 students will have the opportunity to study in China.



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Support for Students with Additional Needs

Building on the additional \$181.3 million provided for students with disabilities since 2011-12, funding in the 2013-14 Budget provides:



\$38.1 million to support over 1,170 children by 2015 through the Program for Students with Disabilities



\$12.7 million to support 7,900 students through the Students with Disabilities Transport Program



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Providing Effective Support for Vulnerable Students

***\$20.6 million** over four years to support employment of approximately 70 Student Support Service Officers (SSS)*

Delivering the Government's 2010 election commitment -
From 1 July 2012, the SSS program underwent significant reform to:

- Increase autonomy for Principals
- Improve the program's alignment with the Strategic Plan
- Improve transparency of funding



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Managing our school asset base: School Capital Pipeline

TVLC

A school capital works pipeline will be developed, providing much needed certainty to government school building works

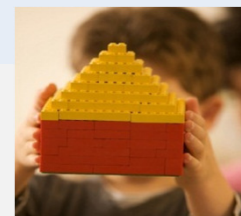
Audit identified:

\$420 million
maintenance backlog

Our response:

570 buildings at 250
schools will share in
\$51.5 million.

A school capital
pipeline will provide
greater funding
certainty for schools,
leading to a more
efficient asset
management process



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School Capital Program

Total of \$611 million invested in school assets since 2011-12

The 2013-14 School Capital Program will deliver:

The final tranche of school capital election commitments

Funding for new schools and land acquisitions in Melbourne's growth areas

Other high priority capital works

Election
Commitments

21 schools sharing over \$102 million to complete the final tranche of school capital election commitments, including:

Phoenix (P-12) Community College- **\$8.0m**

Golden Square Primary School - **\$6.5m**

Sandringham College - **\$6.0m**

Emerald Secondary College - **\$6.0m**

Rosebud Primary School- **\$2.8m**



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New schools/Growth

*This year's school capital envelope delivers **\$79.6 million** for new schools and land acquisitions.*

Funding for new schools to ensure Victoria will meet projected demand, including:

- Doreen Secondary College (Stage 1) - **\$11.5m**
- Officer Secondary College (Stage 1) - **\$11.5m**
- Melton North West Primary School - **\$11.5m**
- Truganina P-9 (Stage 1) - **\$10.0m**
- Wyndham Vale South Primary School **11.5m**

Land acquisitions to secure sites for future Victorian schools:

- South Melbourne Proposed PS
- Cranbourne South West Proposed PS
- Connewarre School Precinct – Special School
- Sale Specialist School



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Investing where it matters

\$8.75 billion for school education in 2013-14

New Directions and Towards Victoria as a Learning Community



- Effective curriculum
- Better teaching and learning
- Improved assessment
- Quality reporting and feedback



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Summary

*The 2013-14
Budget contributes:*

