

# PUBLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL EDUCATION IN WESTERN AUSTRALIA

## High Quality, Engaging and Purposeful

The Western Australian Secondary School Executives Association (WASSEA) is the professional association reflecting the voice of Western Australian public secondary school leaders at a local, state and national level. Through its role as a peak advisory body to the Western Australian Minister for Education and the Department of Education, WASSEA promotes the profession, advocates for public schools, shares knowledge and empowers its current and future school leaders.

The following declaration represents the combined perspective, experience and collaborative wisdom of public secondary school leaders, across the diversity of our Western Australian schools. These leaders have come together to progress this statement with the collective intent of promoting public secondary school education as the first choice for all Western Australian families.

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## DECLARATION

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN SECONDARY SCHOOL EXECUTIVES ASSOCIATION

*From the Voice of Western Australian  
Public Secondary School Leaders*

Our schools provide access to quality school leaders, teachers and support staff which ensure our diverse classrooms have the necessary expertise to make a difference to each and every student.

Our schools provide a comprehensive education offering breadth and depth of contemporary and ever emerging curricula.

Our schools are locally placed, working in partnership with the communities they serve and reflect.

Our schools promote equity guided by the principles of fairness and inclusion. Neither a student's personal or social circumstances, nor their special needs or location, will be obstacles to achieving their potential.

Our schools reflect Australian values by promoting an appreciation and understanding of difference and diversity within our communities.

All families are welcome, regardless of faith, culture or socio-economic background.

Delivering Quality and Future-focused  
Public Secondary School Education in  
Western Australia

## QUALITY SYSTEM

Our school system is led by high-quality, visionary and innovative school leaders who, in partnership with a highly capable workforce, deliver high-quality teaching and learning to all students, in all communities, across Western Australia.

Our schools are the cornerstone of the local community. We recognise and value our dynamic role in preparing students for a future which is constantly changing, not clearly defined, and yet is directly influenced by globalisation.

Through promoting and endorsing the teaching profession we will ensure ongoing confidence in the public education system.

## QUALITY LEADERSHIP

Our schools have leaders who are empowered to lead their schools and the public education system. We accept the responsibility of making decisions about education that reflect and are responsive to the needs of the community. We build and share expertise, we focus on health and wellbeing, we advocate and advise for the betterment of our public education system.

Through developing the leadership capacity, both within and between schools, we will ensure the sustainability of quality leadership.

## QUALITY CONNECTIONS

Our schools operate effectively within the complexity of a range of contexts. We build partnerships and networks between schools and community agencies to improve student opportunities and outcomes.

We engage with our communities to realise outcomes relevant to individual students and support an inclusive environment in which all students have access to a quality education.

Through supporting a strong, strategic, flexible and responsive culture we promote an ethos of mutual trust across our communities and schools.

