

Our Plan for NSW Public Education



2025 mid-year report card



2025 Progress so far

Secured a landmark agreement to fully fund all NSW public schools to 100% of the Schooling Resource Standard by 2034 - delivering the largest investment in public education in the state's history.	✓
Dedicated a school development day to training staff in high potential and gifted education (HPGE), supporting the rollout of HPGE programs in every public school.	✓
Developed a one-page overview of Student Planning and Pathway Processes with teachers and support staff.	✓
Released updated advice and optional templates for student reports, helping schools to provide clear, consistent information to parents and carers on student progress.	✓
Overhauled the mandatory training program and introduced a 1-hour annual competency check.	✓
Streamlined screening of visitors, contractors and volunteers with the new Digital Declaration process.	✓
Continued to support more schools with additional support staff to reduce workload.	✓
Expanded priority recruitment and introduced a new support model to enhance and strengthen recruitment support for all principals.	✓
Delivered training sessions for over 1,200 School Administrative and Support Staff.	✓
Awarded construction contracts for almost 90 new public preschools.	✓
Established 65 new full-time equivalent School Counselling Service positions to improve student wellbeing.	✓
Connected 29,000 students, including 40% from rural and remote schools, with a central bank of over 775 employers through the Regional Industry Educational Partnerships program.	✓
Delivered new and upgraded schools, opening Melonba Public School 6 months ahead of schedule and constructing the temporary Box Hill Public School in just 45 days.	✓



Working towards in Terms 3 and 4

Continue focus on workload reduction initiatives.
Increase the number of on-the-ground Workplace Health and Safety Advisors.
Strengthen connections between initial teacher education students, faculties and the department.
Process scheduled pay increases for teachers (in October) and support staff (in July) under the newly negotiated Awards.
Continue the rollout of 100 new public preschools.
Continue the Year 1 Number Screening Check trial.
Provide additional training, tools, and leadership support as part of the Phonics Support Program.
Release updated What Works Best resources to support teachers and leaders with evidence-based strategies.
Commence a trial of the new Access Request system that helps schools apply for specialist support for students with disability - reducing admin and strengthening partnerships with parents and carers.
Begin construction of more than 30 new and upgraded schools.