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Education revolution begins



Prime Minister Kevin Rudd

Make the grade or else, PM warns schools

PM tells schools... "We're importing ideas from countries that are being outperformed by many other developed countries..."

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Rank us 'just isn't fair'

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Drug Strategy



Leading the way in water conservation and sustainability



Literacy - Where parents do make the world of difference

Education Evolution...

Your Association



SAASSO's Role

The South Australian Association of State School Organisations is the peak training, support and advisory body for state school Governing Councils.

SAASSO's Clients

Our clients are the affiliated schools and Governing Councils and pre-school management committees. SAASSO represents more than 90 per cent of state primary and secondary schools.

SAASSO's Purpose

Our purpose is to support Governing Councils acquit their roles & responsibilities, to improve and enhance student well-being and achievement.

SAASSO's Services

Professional Development for Councillors:

The governance of a school is a demanding task, with numerous responsibilities. SAASSO provides a range of training courses, specifically designed to address the skill set required by Governing Councils.

- Governance – School & Pre-School
- School Budget – School & Pre-School
- Out of School Hours Care
- Canteen
- Meeting Procedures
- Aboriginal Participation
- Principal Selection Panel

Advisory Service:

Governing Councils are required to adhere to the Education Act, a constitution and the DECS Administrative Instructions & Guidelines. Pre-schools are bound by the Children's Services Act. The amount of information and legislation can be overwhelming. SAASSO provides, to its Affiliates:

- a repository of useful and required information on the SAASSO website
- up to date information, data and research via School Post
- a telephone advisory service for specific queries.

Representation:

Despite the recent advancements in local governance of schools, there is still much to be achieved. Through its staff and volunteer board, SAASSO represents Governing Councils on dozens of committees, boards and research bodies to further enhance the quality of education and student well-being in South Australia.

Mediation & Lobbying:

As an independent, not for profit association, SAASSO can work for and on behalf of education and individual Governing Councils in issues with DECS, The Minister and the Federal Government, ensuring that the voice of parents and the needs of local communities are heard.

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