

The Association of Independent Schools of Western Australia (AISWA) Welcomes Funding Arrangements for Independent Schools

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The Association of Independent Schools of Western Australia (AISWA) welcomes the agreement with the Australian Government on the phased introduction of a new model for calculating government funding for non-government schools that creates a foundation for a fair, reasonable and enduring resolution of the funding issue.

Ms Gould, Executive Director of AISWA, welcomed the government's support for parental choice. "There is of course much more detailed work to be done on complex technical issues before the new model can be fully implemented in a phased process over ten years," she said.

AISWA and other representatives of Independent schools will continue to work closely with Department officials on this work.

About AISWA

The Association of Independent Schools of Western Australia (AISWA) is the peak body representing Independent Schools in Western Australia. It supports 155 member schools which enrol more than 70,000 students, accounting for over 16% of Western Australian school enrolments.

Independent Schools provide for students of all abilities and all social and ethnic backgrounds. They offer a choice of quality schooling for a wide range of communities, including some of Western Australia's most remote and disadvantaged Indigenous communities, communities in regional towns and diverse communities in Perth.

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