



# The School to Work Program

## Secondary Education

**Over 149,000 students in our public schools each year are being supported by the School to Work Program.**

The School to Work Program forms part of the NSW government commitment to provide quality current careers advice that support students to make a successful transition from school to post school education, training and employment.

The School to Work Program is for all students in NSW public schools with a secondary enrolment. It actively supports students' informed, planned and quality transition through school and from school.

From 2014, the Program also supports career-related learning in primary schools and student transition from primary to secondary school.

**The Program's four areas** are:

- Planning Transition Pathways
- Exploring Career Futures
- Strengthening Student Outcomes through Vocational Learning, and
- Building Networks and Connections.

The School to Work Program encourages schools to be flexible, future-focused, and innovative in engaging with the wider community to support the career and transition needs of all their students. Over 460 schools [report each year](#) on their School to Work activities.

[Vocational Learning](#) enables students to explore the world of work, identify career options and pathways, and build career development skills. It includes employability skills, career education, enterprise learning, and work and community-based learning.

A [team approach](#) is encouraged in implementing *School to Work* initiatives in schools. This ensures that schools' career development services are planned, monitored and evaluated. Executive leadership and parent, student, and community participation can strengthen the team.

**Key school staff:**

[Careers Advisers](#)  
[Transition Advisers](#)

**Key resources** include:

[Myfuture](#)  
[Student Pathways Survey and Plan](#)  
[Logbook Online](#)

[Work Education curriculum](#)  
[Career-related learning in Primary Schools](#)  
[Parent and Community website](#)  
[Workplace Learning](#)

**Key directions:**

1. [Quality career development provision](#)
2. [K-12 Career Development Continuum](#)
3. [Preparing Secondary Students for Work](#)

## Further Information

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