



Western Australia Smarter Schools National Partnerships Fast Facts

Through the three National Partnerships the Australian Government is providing significant additional funding to the states and territories to implement systemic and sustainable education reform that will improve literacy and numeracy outcomes for all Australian students, strengthen the capacity and resilience of disadvantaged school communities and drive quality and continuous improvement in teaching.

The National Partnerships are now achieving significant reform at the national, state and local school community levels. State and territory SSNP Annual Reports and Progress Reports available from this site provide an overview of some innovative strategies being progressed.

The Western Australian Government is also contributing through new funding or the redirection of existing resources. The amounts detailed below are the Australian Government's contribution only.

Indicative National Partnership Funding				
WA	Literacy and Numeracy (2008-09 to 2011-12)	Low SES (2008-09 to 2014-15)	Improving Teacher Quality (2008-09 to 2012-13)	TOTAL
Facilitation Funding	\$20.4m	\$96.7m	\$9.5m	\$126.7m
Reward Funding*	\$43.2m	\$0	\$35.4m	\$78.6m
Total Funding	\$63.6m	\$96.8m	\$45.0m	\$205.3m

* Figures are subject to the achievement of agreed performance targets as assessed by the COAG Reform Council. The Reward Funding amounts should be considered as an "up to amount" or "maximum" funding. Totals may not add due to rounding.

Participation					
WA	Schools in NP	Students* in NP (FTE)	As a % of all students (WA)	Indigenous students in NP	As a % of Indigenous students (WA)
Literacy and Numeracy	194	94,997	26.7%	3,794	16.6%
Low SES School Communities	141	24,364	6.8%	9,338	40.9%
Both NPs	15	4,585	1.3%	439	1.9%
Total	350	123,946	34.8%	13,571	59.5%

* Based on DEEWR data of SSNP participating schools as at 29/07/2011 using 2009 Full Time Equivalent (FTE) student enrolments. Totals may not add due to rounding

Western Australia Smarter Schools National Partnerships Highlights

Smarter Schools National Partnership for Literacy and Numeracy

Specialist teachers will support classroom teachers to work out which students need extra help and give those students the support they need. In some locations, fly-in-fly-out specialist teachers will be available to work alongside teachers in regional and remote government schools.

Smarter Schools National Partnership for Low Socio-economic Status (SES) School Communities

A two year pilot program will turn schools into 'community hubs' where young children and their families can access integrated education, health and other key services in the one convenient location.

Smarter Schools National Partnership for Improving Teacher Quality

There will be 25 new training schools to support pre-service teachers, early graduates, mid-career teachers and professionals transitioning into a teaching career. The training schools will demonstrate and develop high quality teaching. It is expected that up to 160 mentor teachers trained and paid an allowance to support pre-service teachers over the life of the National Partnership.

