

Fact Sheet

Teacher Capability



What is the *Teacher Capability* initiative?

This initiative focuses on professional excellence in teaching and boosting school autonomy. The Queensland Government is providing funding to the non-government schools sectors of \$98 million over the first four years of this initiative commencing in 2015.

What does the *Teacher Capability* initiative mean for Catholic education?

QCEC supports the notion of providing recognition for and promoting 'Great Teachers' and seeks to develop strategies that support teachers to improve practice across their schools and enhance teachers' expertise and effectiveness. The funding will be used to:

1. improve teaching and learning;
2. recognise and promote the development of high performing teachers;
3. promote and support teachers especially in the areas of early years, students with disability, learning difficulties and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander education, family and community engagement;
4. promote partnerships across schools, authorities, sectors and providers to enhance and provide professional excellence;
5. develop excellence in mentoring and coaching; and
6. develop aspiring leaders.

Catholic schooling authorities develop annual implementation plans summarising the planned projects for the year which the school/authority believes, in the context of its operations and capacity, delivers on the objectives of the Teacher Capability initiative. The outcomes from these projects are reported on annually in September.