

MEDIA RELEASE

APPA welcomes the Alice Springs (Mparntwe) Education Declaration

The Australian Primary Principals Association joins others in welcoming the Alice Springs (Mparntwe) Education Declaration.

In commenting on the Declaration, APPA President, Malcolm Elliott, said the fourth declaration of Education Goals for Young Australians represented a significant challenge for systems, learners and Australian society.

“The first goal recognises excellence and equity as pillars of a successful system. This goal’s stated commitment to inclusivity, diversity, encouragement and support is really a call to society as well as to our schools.

“A societal attitude of commitment to support and encourage learning is essential. This is strongly voiced in this declaration.

“The ‘Commitment to Action’ is comprehensive. It presents a sense of a narrative of education throughout life and for all people.

“It also represents a sense of the crucial importance of the early and primary years of education and the necessity of support for and by families in nurturing a love of learning.”

APPA looks forward to supporting ongoing work on the implementation of this Declaration.

“Our schools have been working on these goals for decades. This is a declaration of challenge for our society,” Mr. Elliott said.

APPA is the professional association representing over 7,200 school leaders across Australia.

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