EVERY PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENT IN McMAHON

MISSES OUT ON $1,643

OF THE FUNDING THEY NEED EVERY YEAR.

THE BENEFIT OF PROPER AND FAIR FUNDING

364 NEW TEACHERS

If funded to the minimum required standard, **public schools in McMahon could hire 10 additional teachers per school, potentially reducing class sizes by up to 5,** to provide the individual support that helps children thrive in school.

Such an investment in public schools in McMahon would reduce class sizes, improve student achievement and create lifelong benefits – for students and society.

CAPITAL FUNDING NEED

Additionally, over the last three years public school students in McMahon received only 73% (or one quarter less) of the capital investment in school infrastructure, equipment and maintenance that their peers who attend private schools have received.

The AEU is calling on the Federal Government to deliver proper and fair funding:

- ☑ Fund public schools to **100% of SRS**, the minimum amount required for students to reach the minimum national benchmarks
- ☑ Immediately **remove the 20% cap** on Commonwealth SRS contributions
- ☑ Remove the **4% capital depreciation tax** from state and territory SRS amounts
- ☑ Create a **long term program of capital investment** in Australia's public schools to support growing enrolments and help rebuild the economy

EVERY SCHOOL EVERY CHILD

Take action

Your local member of parliament is Chris Bowen.

*Phone their office on **(02) 9604 0710** or email them at **chris.bowen.mp@aph.gov.au** to tell them that public schools must be properly and fairly funded.*

Other actions and resources are available at
www.everyschooleverychild.org.au

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PUBLIC SCHOOL PROFILE

McMAHON

It's time to fund public schools properly and fairly.

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THE SCHOOLING RESOURCE STANDARD

The Schooling Resource Standard (SRS) is an estimate of how much total public funding a school needs to meet its students' educational needs, and is based on recommendations from the 2011 Gonski Review of Funding for Schooling. The SRS is made up of a base amount for all primary and secondary students and up to six needs-based loadings for student priority cohorts and disadvantaged schools.

The SRS is not an aspirational standard of school funding - it is the minimum funding required so that schools can have at least 80% of their students achieving learning outcomes above the national minimum standard in NAPLAN for reading and numeracy.

The current funding agreements between the Commonwealth and State/Territory governments have now locked in a cap of 20% of SRS on Commonwealth contributions to public school funding, have entrenched state and territory funding amounts below minimum SRS requirements. On top of all this, the funding agreements allow State/Territory governments to effectively tax public schools 4% of their total funding by allowing them to include arbitrary capital depreciation and regulatory costs. These segregated measures guarantee funding discrimination against public schools until 2023, and as a result in no state or territory except the ACT will public schools meet the minimum SRS requirements by 2023.

Public schools in the

McMAHON ELECTORATE

35 PUBLIC SCHOOLS

25 PRIMARY SCHOOLS

8 SECONDARY SCHOOLS

2 SPECIAL SCHOOLS

McMAHON STUDENTS

20,657 STUDENTS

- **15,996** lower than average SES households
- **14,816** non-English speaking backgrounds
- **631** Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander backgrounds

SCHOOL STAFF IN McMAHON

- **1,679** SCHOOL STAFF
  - **1,348** TEACHERS AND PRINCIPALS
  - **331** EDUCATIONAL AND SCHOOL SUPPORT STAFF

UNDERFUNDING OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN McMAHON

By the end of 2023 public schools in McMahon will receive $105.8 million less than required to meet the SRS minimum funding amount.

UNDERFUNDED BY $105.8 MILLION TO 2023

That means that every public school student in McMahon **will miss out on $1,643 of the funding they need every year.**

Every school should be provided the resources to ensure every child gets the best education, regardless of their background or circumstances.

Proper and fair funding would make the world of difference for public schools in McMahon – new high-quality classrooms and improved school facilities and equipment, more teachers and support staff, smaller classes, and additional learning programmes to give every child the opportunity for a bright future.

$1,643 UNDERFUNDING PER STUDENT PER YEAR