EVERY STATE SCHOOL STUDENT IN FADDEN MISSES OUT ON \$2,162 OF THE FUNDING THEY NEED EVERY YEAR.

THE BENEFIT OF PROPER AND FAIR FUNDING

502 NEW TEACHERS

If funded to the minimum required standard, state schools in Fadden could hire 26 additional teachers per school, potentially reducing class sizes by up to 9, to provide the individual support that helps children thrive in school.

Such an investment in state schools in Fadden would reduce class sizes, improve student achievement and create lifelong benefits — for students and society.

CAPITAL FUNDING NEED

Additionally, over the last three years state school students in Fadden received only 47% (or less than half) 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 state 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 state schools to support growing enrolments and help rebuild the economy



Take action

Your local member of parliament is Stuart Robert.

Phone their office on (07) 5500 5919 or email them at stuart.robert.mp@aph.gov.au to tell them that state schools must be properly and fairly funded.

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





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

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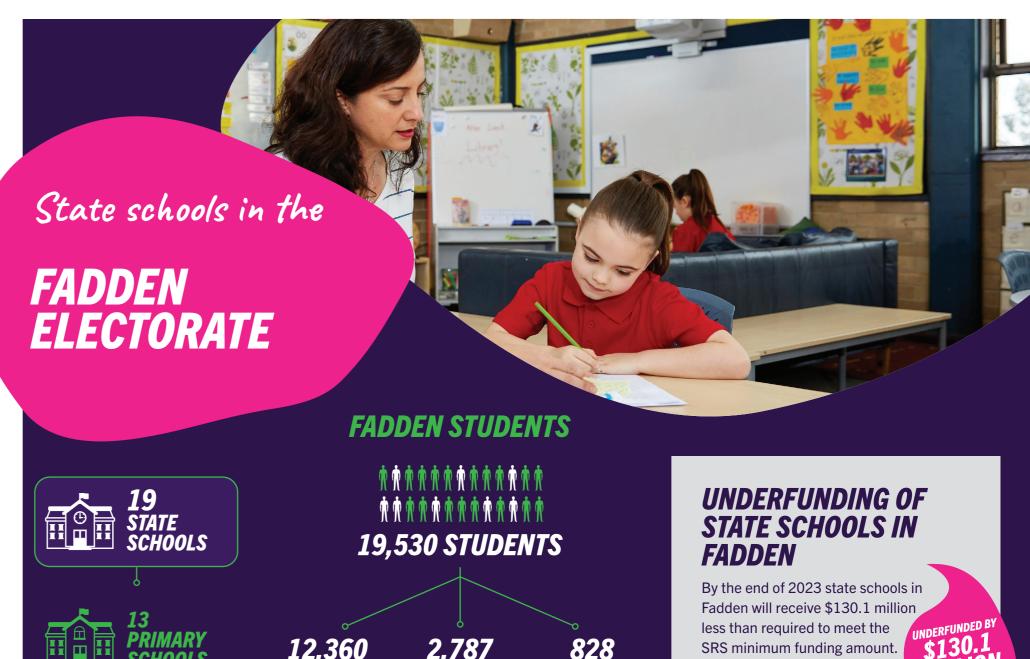


The Schooling Resource Standard (SRS) is an estimate of how much total state funding a school needs to meet its students' educational needs, and is based on recommendations from the 2011 Gonski Review of Funding for Schooling. The SRS is made up of a base amount for all primary and secondary students 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 state 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 state schools 4% of their total funding by allowing them to include arbitrary capital depreciation and regulatory costs. These segregated measures guarantee funding discrimination against state schools until 2023, and as a result in no state or territory except the ACT will state schools meet the minimum SRS requirements by 2023.







12,360

lower than average SES households 2,787

non-English speaking backgrounds 828

Aboriginal and **Torres Strait** Islander backgrounds

SCHOOL STAFF IN FADDEN

2,184 **SCHOOL STAFF**

TEACHERS AND 1,456 **PRINCIPALS**

EDUCATIONAL AND 728 SCHOOL SUPPORT STAFF SRS minimum funding amount.

That means that every state school student in Fadden will miss out on \$2,162 of the funding they need every year.

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Proper and fair funding would make the world of difference for state schools in Fadden - 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.