## Media Release

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# Real Schools Partnership endorsed by the South Australian Department of Education

Real Schools is excited to announce its Culture Partnership is now an endorsed program on the South Australia Department of Education External Wellbeing Programs Directory. This collaboration marks a significant milestone in our commitment to transforming education in Australia.

The External Wellbeing Programs Directory, initiated by the South Australia Department of Education, is a valuable resource for schools seeking expert support to address their students' wellbeing needs. Real Schools is honoured to be part of this directory, offering our Real Schools Cultural Partnership as a comprehensive solution to improving school culture through restorative practices.

Founder of Real Schools, Adam Voigt, expressed his enthusiasm for this partnership, stating, "We are proud to be endorsed by the South Australia Department of Education as part of the External Wellbeing Programs Directory. Our mission has always been to transform education in Australia. We believe that every student should have the opportunity to flourish in a safe, supportive, and positive learning environment. This endorsement is a testament to our commitment to achieving this goal."

Real Schools Cultural Partnerships are delivered by Expert Facilitators who were former Principals. The partnership is designed to infuse restorative practices into school culture. It empowers schools to build strong and effective relationships, resolve conflicts in healthy and consistent ways, improve student behaviour, and reduce instances of bullying.

Kirsty Lush, an Expert Facilitator based in South Australia who plays a pivotal role in the partnership, remarked, "I am thrilled at this endorsement. South Australian schools have an exceptional opportunity to engage with the important work we undertake with over 200 schools around Australia. Timed with the Australian Government's Student Wellbeing funding, I am excited about the potential for our public schools to build long-term partnerships with Real Schools to shift, change, sustain and enhance School Culture."

Wellbeing and mental health programs play a crucial role in supporting students as they navigate their education journey, building resilience, and nurturing their confidence to seek help when needed.

Real Schools looks forward to partnering with more South Australian schools.



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Click on the links below to hear about our current partner experiences:

- Swansea Public School at https://bit.ly/swanseaps
- Richmond Primary School at <a href="https://bit.ly/richmondps">https://bit.ly/richmondps</a>
- Mount View High School at <a href="https://bit.ly/mountviewhs">https://bit.ly/mountviewhs</a>
- Morisset High School at <a href="https://bit.ly/morrisetths">https://bit.ly/morrisetths</a>

To learn how we can help and support your school, book a chat with us at <a href="https://bit.ly/2023AV">https://bit.ly/2023AV</a>.

For more information about the South Australia Department of Education External Wellbeing Programs Directory, visit <a href="https://bit.ly/sawellbeing">https://bit.ly/sawellbeing</a>.

For more information about a Real Schools Partnership, visit <a href="https://realschools.com.au/partnerships/">https://realschools.com.au/partnerships/</a>.

Ready to take the next step? If you are interested in a restorative future for your school, we'd love to learn more about your situation and how we can partner to improve your school culture. You can book a chat at <a href="https://bit.ly/2023AV">https://bit.ly/2023AV</a>.

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#### **About Real Schools:**

Real Schools is on a mission to transform education in Australia. Founded in 2012 by Adam Voigt, CEO, Real Schools places an experienced former Principal as an Expert Facilitator with schools across a three-year partnership. A Real Schools Culture Partnership means working closely with your school over three years to implement Restorative Practices as the foundation of your School Culture. Our upgraded approach, known as RP2.0, respects the demands of modern Australian schools and focuses on making impactful changes that yield both quick wins and long-term commitment.

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