

Enjoy the rewards
of VPA membership





Vital support for your role as an educational leader

With members statewide, the VPA is an effective way to network with peers, keep up to date with the most recent news and information that affect the education sector, gain additional training and be represented at State, Federal and International levels.

Connected United and Powerful

The VPA is a professional association, formed to support and recognise the opportunities and challenges educational leaders face in their complex roles.

The VPA also encourages and assists our leaders of tomorrow, with an 'Associate Members' category for educational leaders who currently hold the role of Leading Teacher.

Professional Support and Assistance

VPA Field Service Officers are available to provide confidential information and support in relation to your role as an educational leader. The VPA will also assist you with preparation for and appearances at: Work Safe, the Merit Protection Board and the Equal Opportunity Commission.

We offer Project Services support in strategic, workforce and facilities planning, along with managing personnel, all from an independent and professional perspective.

The VPA will provide three consultations per year for principal class members with a registered psychologist free of charge.

Advocacy

As one voice, the VPA represents members' views to government and educational organisations and provides a voice through media and Position Papers on important member issues.



Collegiality

Colleagues have the opportunity to actively participate in VPA meetings and forums, attend events such as the Annual State Conference, regular regional meetings and social functions throughout the year.

Publications

All our members receive regular publications, such as the VPA Members' eLetter and our flagship national publication, Leadership in Focus - a registered quarterly journal, with articles written by educational leaders.

Affiliate National Membership

As a member of the VPA, you receive automatic membership and representation federally to the Australian Primary Principals Association (APPA) and the Australian Government Primary Principals Association (AGPPA) and to the International Confederation of Principals (ICP).

Professional Learning

Developed in response to member feedback, members can choose from a range of professional learning programs, facilitated by the VPA or outsourced to professional providers. These include, but are not limited to, leadership and management programs, finance workshops and coaching.

Study Awards and Exchanges

Full members can broaden their knowledge and experiences by accessing the VPA study awards and/or interstate exchange programs.

Strategic Alliance

The VPA has a strategic alliance with the Victorian Association of State Secondary Principals (VASSP) to assist members and create a strong and united voice. The two professional associations work closely with the Australian Principals Federation (APF).

What can the VPA provide for you?

- > Professional Support and Assistance
- > Professional Counselling
- > Advocacy
- > Collegiality
- > Publications
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- > Strategic Alliance



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“ Being part of the VPA is essential to my role as a principal of a school. The VPA provides professional advice and support to principals and school leaders in a wide range of leadership matters. I have found the response to my enquiries has always been quick, efficient and beneficial. I really appreciate the opportunity to have a voice through the VPA surveys that have been initiated to contribute to resolving issues that affect school operations and my leadership impact. The VPA conference and meetings enable me to network with a wide range of leaders across the state so sharing expertise, as well as allowing me to develop new professional colleagues and friendships. ”

Angelika Ireland

Principal, Findon Primary School, Epping (NMR)

“ As a Principal of a school that is a long way from “the big smoke”, the support and guidance provided by the VPA is essential to my leadership role. Regular contact with extremely knowledgeable Field Officers has helped me to successfully negotiate through several potentially tricky situations and I value the advice I can tap into through contacting other members by phone. Even though I am so far from Melbourne, there are many forums and opportunities that allow me to be an active contributor and to have a voice in the policy and decisions of the VPA. ”

Gary Green

Principal, Ranfurly Primary School, Mildura (Loddon Mallee)

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For more information on becoming a member contact the VPA today

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