

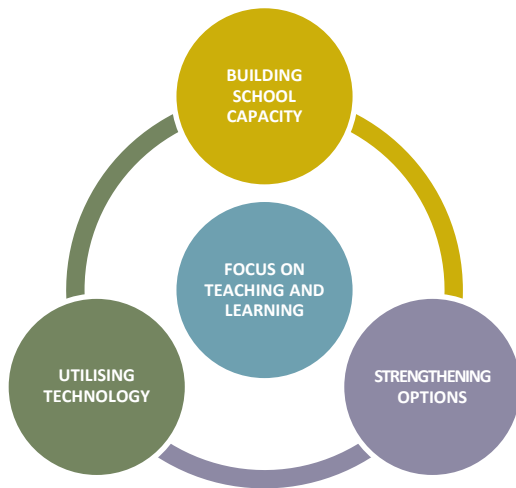


# Learning Difficulties School Support Program

More support for students with disabilities national partnership

The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development has an ongoing commitment to ensure our system and school communities are better able to support students with disabilities, contributing to improved student learning experiences, education outcomes and transitions to further education or work.

To provide effective supports for students with disabilities, initiatives established in our schools are targeted towards four key focus areas:



Under the **More Support for Students with Disabilities** National Partnership, a range of strategies are being implemented in Victorian government schools. One of these strategies is the 'Learning Difficulties School Support Program'.



The Learning Difficulties School Support Program will deliver over \$14 million to all Victorian government schools to facilitate effective, innovative and inclusive practices for students with learning difficulties.

The purpose of this funding is enable school staff to access the range of strategies offered through the MSSD national partnership. Additionally, schools can use this funding to identify learning approaches that respond to their needs and deliver sustainable improvements in their teaching workforce knowledge and skills.

Allocations will be made according to school enrolments, with accommodation for Student Family Occupation index. The minimum annual allocation for schools will be \$2,000.

## What next

Funding will be provided in the SRP for schools in 2012 and 2013.

## For more information

Funding allocation details and responsibilities will be communicated to schools via the DEECD Schools Bulletin, and described in the guide to the SRP:

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/management/srp/guide/default.htm>

**Parents and carers are encouraged to discuss their interest with key staff at their child's school.**

Further information about the range of More Support for Students with Disabilities strategies being implemented in Victorian government schools is available at:

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/healthwellbeing/wellbeing/mssd.htm>

