

Government of Western Australia School Curriculum and Standards Authority



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To the Principal All Western Australian Schools

Dear Principal

I write to inform you that on Friday, 1 April 2022 Commonwealth, state and territory Education Ministers endorsed the revised Version 9 of the Australian Curriculum. You will be aware that the Australian Curriculum Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) were tasked by Ministers to refine, realign and declutter the Foundation to Year 10 curriculum, with a focus on reducing content in primary years and lifting quality.

In February, Ministers requested further revisions to the Mental Health content within the Health and Physical Education learning area. This further iterative work to the Mental Health content should be completed by ACARA by the end of 2022.

On behalf of the School Curriculum and Standards Authority (the Authority) Board I would like to thank all Principals, your teaching staff and Western Australian Curriculum Reference Group members who contributed significant feedback to the ACARA curriculum review process to ensure that the views of Western Australia were strongly represented. I would like to take the opportunity to thank the Hon Sue Ellery MLA, the Minister for Education and Training for requesting that ACARA undertake further work on the Australian Curriculum Mathematics and Humanities and Social Sciences which we recommended to her.

Western Australia has a long standing history of 'adopting and/or adapting' the Australian Curriculum and this will continue. The Authority will coordinate the collaboration between the school systems and sectors, as it has in the past, to ensure that any changes to the mandated Western Australian curriculum are well considered and consulted before being finalised.

Until further advised, the Western Australian curriculum, as published in the *Western Australian Curriculum and Assessment Outline* (<u>https://k10outline.scsa.wa.edu.au/</u>) is the mandated curriculum for Western Australia and must continue to be implemented in your school.

Please do not hesitate to contact the Authority via <u>info@scsa.wa.edu.au</u> should you have any questions regarding the outcomes of the review of the Australian Curriculum.

My best wishes to you and your staff for a restful break after an incredibly demanding term for you all.

Yours sincerely

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