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## **Dan Tehan thanked for his efforts in education ahead of his move to the trade portfolio.**

### **The Australian Primary Principal Association has offered their thanks and appreciation to the outgoing Minister for Education Dan Tehan following the Ministerial reshuffle**

Following the reshuffle announced by Prime Minister Scott Morrison that will see Dan Tehan move to the Trade portfolio, the Australian Primary Principals Association (APPA) has offered their thanks for his work as the Minister for Education.

“The APPA has enjoyed a positive working relationship with Minister Tehan in his nearly two years in the education portfolio and we greatly appreciate the support and recognition that the Minister has given to the education sector during his term,” said President of the APPA, Malcolm Elliott.

“Minister Tehan’s awareness and attention to equity and fairness in education, particularly in a nation which has such a socially and geographically diverse student population as Australia, is respected across the sector.”

Minister Tehan oversaw education in the most challenging of times during the coronavirus pandemic which saw schools across the country working to ensure educational standards were maintained during periods of remote learning and disruption.

“During times of great crisis, leadership is immensely important, and the Minister has the respect of the APPA and its members for his leadership throughout the crisis,” Mr. Elliott said.

“On behalf of our executive and membership the APPA offers Minister Tehan our thanks for his efforts to support and improve the education sector and wish him the very best in his new role as Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment.”

In welcoming the new Minister for Education, Alan Tudge to his new role, Mr. Elliott described education as a vital plank in the platform of nation building.

“The APPA looks forward to continuing on with the positive relationship it has enjoyed with the federal government and to working with the new Minister to delivering the world class education that every Australian student deserves.” he said.



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## **About the Australian Primary Principals Association**

The Australian Primary Principals Association (APPA) is the national professional association for primary school principals in Australia. APPA represents affiliated state and territory Government, Catholic and Independent primary schools across the nation with over 7,000 members. It is the national voice on national issues and speaks directly to the Federal Government on matters that concern school principals and their school communities.

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