

# Funding Facts

Fair Funding for SA Catholic Schools

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## Catholic schools educate 1 in 5 students in SA

Catholic schools make a significant contribution to the vitality of South Australia, educating close to 20% of students.

We welcome students from a diverse range of backgrounds, including:

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders
- migrants and children of refugee experience
- students with disability
- students on school card and reduced fees.



46,000  
CATHOLIC SCHOOL  
STUDENTS



6,500  
STAFF COMMITTED TO  
QUALITY EDUCATION



103  
SCHOOLS IN RURAL  
& METRO AREAS

## How does school funding work?

On average, SA Catholic schools are funded by the State government (14%), the Federal government (54%) and parent contributions via school fees (32%).



## Students in SA Catholic schools short-changed \$15.8 million\* in 2017

South Australian State government funding to each student in a Catholic school is the lowest of all States and Territories in Australia.

\* Calculation based on current student enrolments. Funding source data: NCEC Annual Report 2015.

## OUR STUDENTS DESERVE BETTER!

Why should a student at a Catholic school get less simply because they live in SA?  
We want the State Government to match the national average.



Funding per student = SA VIC QLD national average NSW WA