

# Media Release

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Minister for Training and Skills  
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## TAFE GIPPSLAND CELEBRATED IN VICTORIAN TRAINING AWARDS

TAFE Gippsland has been named Large Training Provider of the Year at the Victorian Training Awards, celebrating the TAFE's work to create more skills opportunities for regional students that are transitioning into new careers.

Minister for Training and Skills Gayle Tierney officially congratulated the TAFE Gippsland team on their win at the Awards earlier this month, commending their dedication to vocational education and training across the region.

Backed by the Andrews Labor Government, TAFE Gippsland is making sure more students have greater choice when it comes to course deliver and student experience across its 13 campuses from Warragul to Lakes Entrance.

With courses from food and fibre, emerging industries through to maritime operations, more regional students are getting the training they need for the job they want.

The Labor Government has invested \$35.5 million for the redevelopment of TAFE Gippsland's Morwell campus, including the establishment of the Morwell Trade Skills Centre and a Health and Early Childhood Centre.

We've also invested \$25 million to develop a new TAFE Gippsland campus at the Port of Sale.

The campus will feature purpose-built facilities for a variety of courses including health and social services, early childhood, carpentry, engineering and automotive trade – ensuring students have the facilities and technology they need to succeed.

### Quote attributable to Minister for Training and Skills Gayle Tierney

*"TAFE Gippsland has transformed vocational training in the Gippsland region and continues to deliver world-class training through their campuses and facilities."*

*"Congratulations to the whole team for being recognised as Large Training Provider of the Year in recognition of your work to deliver the best possible VET outcomes for Gippsland."*

### Quote attributable to Member for Eastern Victoria Harriet Shing

*"It's fantastic to see the work of the team at TAFE Gippsland recognised in these awards as they continue to support communities across the region with high-quality and accessible education opportunities."*

### Quote attributable to Member for Eastern Victoria Tom McIntosh

*"With more courses and new facilities training locals for the skills and jobs of the future, it's great to see TAFE Gippsland celebrated for the positive impact they make in the community."*

### Quote attributable to TAFE Gippsland Chief Executive Officer Laura Macpherson

*"We are thrilled that the Victorian Skills Authority saw the amazing work our team has achieved, our success in partnering with industry and community, our high level of student achievement and the satisfaction of our students and staff."*