Media Release

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ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN FOR PREP 2025

The Allan Labor Government has opened enrolments for the 2025 intake of Prep students – encouraging families to plan their applications for their preferred school as their children prepare to start their primary education.

Minister for Education Ben Carroll today announced enrolment applications are open until Friday, 26 July – giving families time to plan, visit schools and get the information they need to apply.

Students have guaranteed access to their designated neighbourhood school.

Parents and carers will receive offer letters back by Friday, 9 August – while applications received after Friday, 26 July will be considered by schools as they are received.

Families with children in Year 6 will receive a Placement Information Pack at the start of Term 2 which includes an Application for Year 7 Placement Form – which will need to be submitted by Friday, 10 May.

Families applying for places at their local government school from the start of Term 2 can now also access the recently updated Find my School website, which gives parents and carers the latest information on school zones.

The Find my School website allows families to find their designated neighbourhood government school and other government schools nearby – giving them clarity on what their government school options are for their children.

It now includes 6 new government schools set to open in 2025, along with small changes to existing government school zones to reflect changes in school provision and adjustments to improve accessibility for all students.

Schools can be found by typing in a residential address or searching by school name or categories such as primary, secondary, or specialist school.

To find your local school zone, visit <u>findmyschool.vic.gov.au</u> and to learn more about the enrolment process, visit <u>vic.gov.au/starting-school</u>.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Education Ben Carroll

"Planning for your child's education is exciting – we're making sure families have the most up-to-date information to enrol their children at our fantastic primary schools."

"We're making sure all Victorians have access to first-rate schools close to home so that students have every chance to thrive at school."

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