

# Strategic Plan 2022-2025

## Our purpose

To be the authoritative source of advice on, and delivery of, national curriculum, assessment and reporting for all Australian education ministers, with international recognition of our work.

## Our vision

Inspire improvement in the learning of all young Australians through world-class curriculum, assessment and reporting.

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AUSTRALIAN CURRICULUM,  
ASSESSMENT AND  
REPORTING AUTHORITY

## Our priorities for 2022-2025

- Implement NAPLAN in Term One, with results delivered earlier to schools, and improve the quality of the National Assessment Program including successful implementation of opt-in tests in the NAP sample domains.
- Support a deep understanding of the Australian Curriculum for effective implementation including through the development of work samples and other resources.
- Increase the usability and value of our data through an improved National Measurement Framework and enhanced reporting on schooling.
- Conduct, commission and disseminate research on curriculum, assessment, and reporting.
- Strengthen our collaboration and engagement with all jurisdictions and stakeholders.
- Promote and lead informed public conversation on curriculum, assessment and reporting issues and future directions for schooling in Australia.

## How we will get there

### In the national interest

ACARA's priorities reflect and reinforce the national education agenda, focusing on matters that are most effectively undertaken at a national level

### For quality and innovation

We deliver superior and creative products and services to assist jurisdictions to implement the national education agenda

### With efficiency

We ensure our products and services are delivered in a timely manner within agreed budgets

### With transparency and accountability

We plan and report in a manner that provides assurance to Education Council that our work is in the national interest

### With a focus on engagement

We work collaboratively to ensure our agenda is aligned with the national education agenda and to communicate effectively with the general public

## What we do

ACARA is an independent statutory authority established in December 2008 to execute policy directions determined by Education Ministers regarding curriculum, assessment and reporting at the national level.

### National curriculum

- Provide a world-class curriculum from Foundation to Year 12 in specified learning areas, general capabilities and cross-curriculum priorities agreed to by Education Ministers
- Assemble the evidence base required to review, develop and refine the curriculum

### National collaboration and leadership

- Provide effective national leadership in curriculum development, educational assessment and national reporting
- Collaborate closely with jurisdictions, the non-government education sector and relevant stakeholders in pursuing the national education agenda

### National assessment

- Provide a quality, comprehensive and cohesive suite of assessments

### National data and reporting

- Provide and apply a comprehensive and reliable national measurement framework
- Facilitate use and dissemination of data for research and policy development in accordance with agreed protocols
- Present detailed, accessible, timely and meaningful school education performance information

## Our values



### Respect

We value each other and what we bring to ACARA's work, recognising and accepting our diverse backgrounds, and different points of view



### Integrity

We are honest, ethical and fair in all our dealings with one another, our stakeholders and our partners in the community



### Commitment

We believe in the work we do and its power to make a difference



### Innovation

We value innovation and curiosity and are open to new ideas and approaches



### Professionalism

We strive at all times to maintain the highest standards of work, to deal with one another sensitively, and to respect the various principles and protocols around our work