Trade Training Centres

The Federal Government has commenced briefings on the Trade Training Centres in Schools Programme. $2.5 billion over 10 years has been allocated to enable secondary schools to apply for funding between $500,000 and $1.5 million. Funding will be provided through an annual national application process, managed centrally by DEEWR via assessment panels, to build new or upgraded trade workshops. The funding can also be used to purchase or replace a range of equipment. There is a strong emphasis on partnerships between schools, local or regional industries and employer organizations.

Recurrent funding will be the responsibility of the school jurisdiction (system) or school.

Again funds will in the first instance be targeted to those secondary schools with the greatest need and capacity to benefit from new or ungraded facilities or equipment. The allocation of funds will be closely linked to the programme objectives which are to improve Year 12 retention and address skill shortages. Briefings will be held for member schools once the application procedures are available.