

Our children

Our concern

Whittlesea Secondary College hosted a Parents Victoria 'Communication Forum' attended by parents and staff from surrounding schools. This was a great opportunity to get together, to learn and share ideas and experiences.

Our College benefits from having an active Parent Group involved in a number of school initiatives – including attending our Open Days and speaking with parents of our potential new students.

As a member of Parents Victoria, our Parent Group receives advice as needed, regular newsletters and membership is a great way to support the work of Parents Victoria.

Parents are a large part of our school community and our parents are great advocates for our College.

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Be part of the Parent Voice in
Public Education



Since 1925 Parents Victoria has provided parents with a voice, presenting an organised parent's perspective to State and Federal Governments, educational bureaucracies and institutions, community organisations and the media.

It's not all cake stalls and working bees!

Our recent achievements include:

- Advising and advocating for public school parents and clubs
- Lobbying the Federal Government for fairer Education Funding (Gonski Review)
- Review of parent complaint process
- Implementation of 40 kilometre speed zones around schools
- 'Save our School Nurses' campaign

Why you need Parents Victoria

Parents Victoria is made up of Parent Groups from government schools and individual parents.

We are in the best position to provide an ongoing forum for the discussion, development and representation of parent views on the wide range of issues relating to children's education.

Parents Victoria is affiliated with the Australian Council of State School Organisations (ACSSO) enabling us to be involved in education issues nationally and internationally.

Advice, support and information to

- Parent Groups and parents
- Parents wishing to start a Parent Group
- Victorian Education Department

Advocacy advice for individual parents e.g.

- Students with disabilities
- Discipline issues
- Bullying
- Uniforms
- Parent/school relationships

Regular publications highlighting current issues

- Parents Voice newsletters six issues per year
- Occasional Issues Papers

Support to build relationships between Parent Groups and School Councils

Representation for Parent Groups with the Victorian Education Department and government

Representation via regular participation in government committees, working groups and other key stakeholder groups

Website

Facebook

Annual Conference and Online Conference

State-wide and local seminars on topics relevant to parents and Parent Groups

Parent Group Information Kits and information promoting family friendly schools

How to be part of Parents Victoria

Membership is easy!

- Join your school's Parent Group
- Your Group then joins Parents Victoria (*your Parent Group, School or School Council can pay the membership fee*)

OR

If you don't have a Parent Group, we can help you get started or we can assist you to re-vitalize an in-active Parent Group.

The membership fee is based on the size of your school.

Your Parent Group can participate in shaping Parents Victoria policy. Policy is made at our annual conference, which is attended by representatives from our member schools.

* If your school does not have a Parent group, join Parents Victoria as an Individual Member.

Visit our website for fees and membership forms

Membership to Parents Victoria

I /we are interested in Membership of Parents Victoria, please

Send a representative to our School

Post us a Membership Pack

Email a membership pack

Telephone Telephone

Convenient time to phone

Name of School

Parent Group

Contact name

Address for correspondence

Email @

