

# YEAR 7 TO HIGH SCHOOL



## Parent Update Week 5, Term 1 – 2021

### Preparing for year 7 in high school in 2022

This year marks the start of a new phase for our education system, as we finalise our preparations to welcome your year 6 or year 7 child to high school in 2022.

Schools are working incredibly hard to ensure they are prepared for the move of year 7 to high school. As a department, we are making sure that your school has all the support they need to make this transition smooth and successful for you and your child.

### This is a special year for students

It is a unique year, as year 6 and year 7 students will for the first and only time end their primary school journey together.

We want your child to have a positive experience in their final year of primary school. We understand the importance of rites of passage, such as graduation ceremonies, and our primary schools will do their very best to make this a memorable occasion for both year 6 and year 7 students.

### Enrolling in high school for 2022

This year, families of year 6 and year 7 students will both be applying for and enrolling in high school through the department's statewide transition process.

You will receive details from your primary school early this year about how to apply for and enrol in your local public high school, so I encourage you to keep an eye out for this key information.

If you are unsure of which high school zone you live in, you can use the 'Find a school' tool on the department's website at [www.education.sa.gov.au](http://www.education.sa.gov.au)

### Engaging with your new school

There may be opportunities for you to connect with your child's new high school before next year.

Schools will generally have open days, information sessions or principal tours for prospective families to learn about the unique programs, systems and offerings of the high school.

As the situation with COVID-19 continues to change, schools will operate in line with the latest SA Health advice, which may mean alternate and innovative ways to engage. This might include activities such as virtual tours and online webinars. I encourage you to explore how to engage with your local high school by visiting their website or social media pages, or contacting the school directly.

### We are working together

The move of year 7 to high school is a big change for you and your child. 2021 is going to be a busy year of preparation by our public education system and schools across the state. As a parent, you can feel confident in knowing that we are working together at every level to make the move a success.

### Where to find out more

Stay informed through your school and the Department for Education's website: [www.education.sa.gov.au/7toHS](http://www.education.sa.gov.au/7toHS)

Or share your feedback with the project team by emailing: [Year7toHS@sa.gov.au](mailto:Year7toHS@sa.gov.au)

