## Media Release

The Hon James Merlino MP Deputy Premier Minister for Education



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## BUILDERS APPOINTED TO CONSTRUCT STATE-OF-THE-ART SCHOOLS

The Andrews Labor Government is on track to deliver 100 new schools across the state by 2026 with another two building companies appointed to construct seven of the 14 schools set to open in 2021.

Minister for Education James Merlino today announced Ireland Brown Constructions Pty Ltd had been appointed to build:

- Edgars Creek Primary School (interim name) Wollert
- Eynesbury Station Primary School (interim name) Melton
- Greenvale North West Primary School (interim name) Greenvale

The Minister also announced Kane Constructions Pty Ltd had been appointed to build:

- Merrifield West Primary School (interim name) Mickleham
- Rockbank North Primary School (interim name) Aintree
- Truganina South East Primary School (interim name) Truganina
- Wollahra Primary School (interim name) Wollahra

Builders have already been secured for Oberon High School, Docklands Primary School (interim name) and Footscray High School, and a request for tenders to build the four remaining schools has just closed with appointments expected to be made by the end of the year.

The builders will bring to life the architecturally designed schools that will inspire learning, change and empower communities, and remove barriers to achievement.

The state-of-the-art schools will cater to the diverse needs of all Victorian students, providing what they need to thrive and encouraging them to actively engage with their education.

The Labor Government has invested \$6.1 billion to deliver new primary and secondary schools, upgrade more than 1,400 existing ones and create over 7,500 construction jobs across the state.

The Labor Government is building the Education State so that every student can access a great local school and get a great education.

## **Quotes attributable to Minister for Education James Merlino**

"We know that Victoria's population is booming, which is why we're building 100 new schools and upgrading even more schools to meet the needs of our growing communities."

"This exciting appointment means families across the state are a step closer to getting the great local school facilities their kids need to thrive."

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