



# THE GROWING CAREERS PROJECT

**We're daring young people  
to dream about their careers.**

## **What is the Growing Careers Project?**

- The Smith Family is significantly expanding careers education in selected secondary schools nationwide, opening young minds to a myriad of job possibilities so they can thrive beyond school.
- From now until 2024, we're offering students in our Project Partner Schools the opportunity to participate in multiple careers programs and activities across their secondary school journey.
- Careers programs and activities could encompass anything from online one-on-one mentoring to spending a few days in a workplace.
- The approach we are taking in the Growing Careers Project is informed by international evidence, which makes the link between multiple exposures to the world of work and students' future involvement in training, work or further study.

## What does it mean to be a Project Partner School?

- Earlier in the project, your school signed up to be one of our Project Partner Schools.
- Each year, your school will select from a range of careers programs and activities offered by The Smith Family to be delivered to students in specific year levels.
- Programs and activities will be run over consecutive years, to ensure students participate in multiple careers programs and activities across the project lifecycle.
- With your help, The Smith Family will track student participation across the project lifecycle.

Multiple participations in careers programs and activities across the 4 years



In each year level, students will have the opportunity to participate in careers programs and activities across the project lifecycle.

## How can we do this together?

By working together, we're guiding the next generation of young Australians, who deserve a hand-up to fulfil their potential in life.

To evaluate and track the cumulative impacts of the project on students, we will be asking parents to provide consent to share their children's information. We will be asking your school to help us facilitate this, and we will work with you on the best approach that fits your school community.

Our evaluation aims to build valuable evidence about what works best to support young Australians with their post-school planning. It will assess the value of giving students access to multiple careers programs and activities, and how this might translate to:

- An increase in knowledge of career options
- Engagement with school
- Confidence and skills building around career planning

## Who can I contact for more information?

Each of our Project Partner Schools will be assigned a Project Programs Coordinator to support our schools on this journey. Please contact them for more information.



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