



## Contribution to the Australian Schools Anti-Bullying Collective

The Australian Government will contribute \$4.2 million over four years to the Australian Schools Anti-Bullying Collective to continue delivering anti-bullying programs.

The Australian Schools Anti-Bullying Collective is supported by funding from the Australian Government and state and territory governments.

### How will this initiative work?

The Australian Government's annual contribution of \$1.0 million will support the Collective to deliver national bullying prevention initiatives such as the [Bullying. No Way! website](#) and resources, and the National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence, which saw more than 6,400 schools registered to participate in 2023.

### Why is it important?

Bullying and cyberbullying continues to be a critical issue in Australian schools, particularly as young people live and learn in an increasingly complex digital world.

Research shows that school bullying can affect students' ability to learn and increase their risk of developing mental health issues in adolescence and adulthood.

No form of abuse or bullying is ever okay. Schools should be safe and supportive learning communities for students, teachers and all school staff.

### Who will benefit?

Funding for the Australian Schools Anti-Bullying Collective will support programs that benefit school students and teachers, as well as parents and carers of students.

### How much will it cost?

The Australian Government will contribute \$4.2 million over four years towards the work of the Australian Schools Anti-Bullying Collective.