



Independent Schools
Council of Australia

Media Statement

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Statement by Mr Bill Daniels, Executive Director, Independent Schools Council of Australia

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“At first glance there appear to be no surprises in the 2009 Federal Budget for the independent schools sector.”

“The Government honoured its election commitment to maintain the existing funding arrangements for non-government schools with the passage of legislation late last year.”

“We are pleased to be working with the Government in implementing a number of new programs, including its *Building the Education Revolution* which is providing much needed capital investment in schools.”

“There is little doubt that the Government’s inclusive approach is assisting parental choice by supporting diversity in schooling.”

“Parents contribute most of the day to day costs and more than 80 per cent of the capital costs associated with an independent school education. The Government’s continuing commitment to meet some of the costs of independent schools is a welcome recognition of the investment made by many parents.”

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