

National Professional Standards for Teachers: pilot programs begin

The Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership (AITSL) will undertake pilots of the National Professional Standards for Teachers (the Standards) to trial their uses within existing processes and practices. It is intended that the outcomes of the pilots provide further insight into how AITSL may best support the use of the Standards by teachers in a range of settings across Australia.

It is also intended the pilots will help to achieve national consensus about, and a shared sense of ownership of, the Standards. Margery Evans, CEO of AITSL, members of the Research Partners from the University of New England together with Angelo Gavrielatos, Federal President of the Australian Education Union and AITSL Board Member were recently involved in the selection of 17 pilots, each focusing on a different research area. It is expected the pilots will be finalised by December 2011.

In the second half of 2011, AITSL will also be engaging collaboratively with members of the teaching profession in the development of materials to support the Standards.

In June a group of national professional associations came together to attend forums that outlined the process for developing support material including annotated illustrations of practice. These will provide teachers with more detail about what the Standards and their descriptors mean in a variety of contexts.

To ensure support materials are relevant, helpful and meet the expectations of users, AITSL has formed a Quality Assurance Committee comprising representatives from employers, regulatory authorities, unions, principals, professional associations, teacher educators and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander groups.

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