

# 2023 PROGRAM



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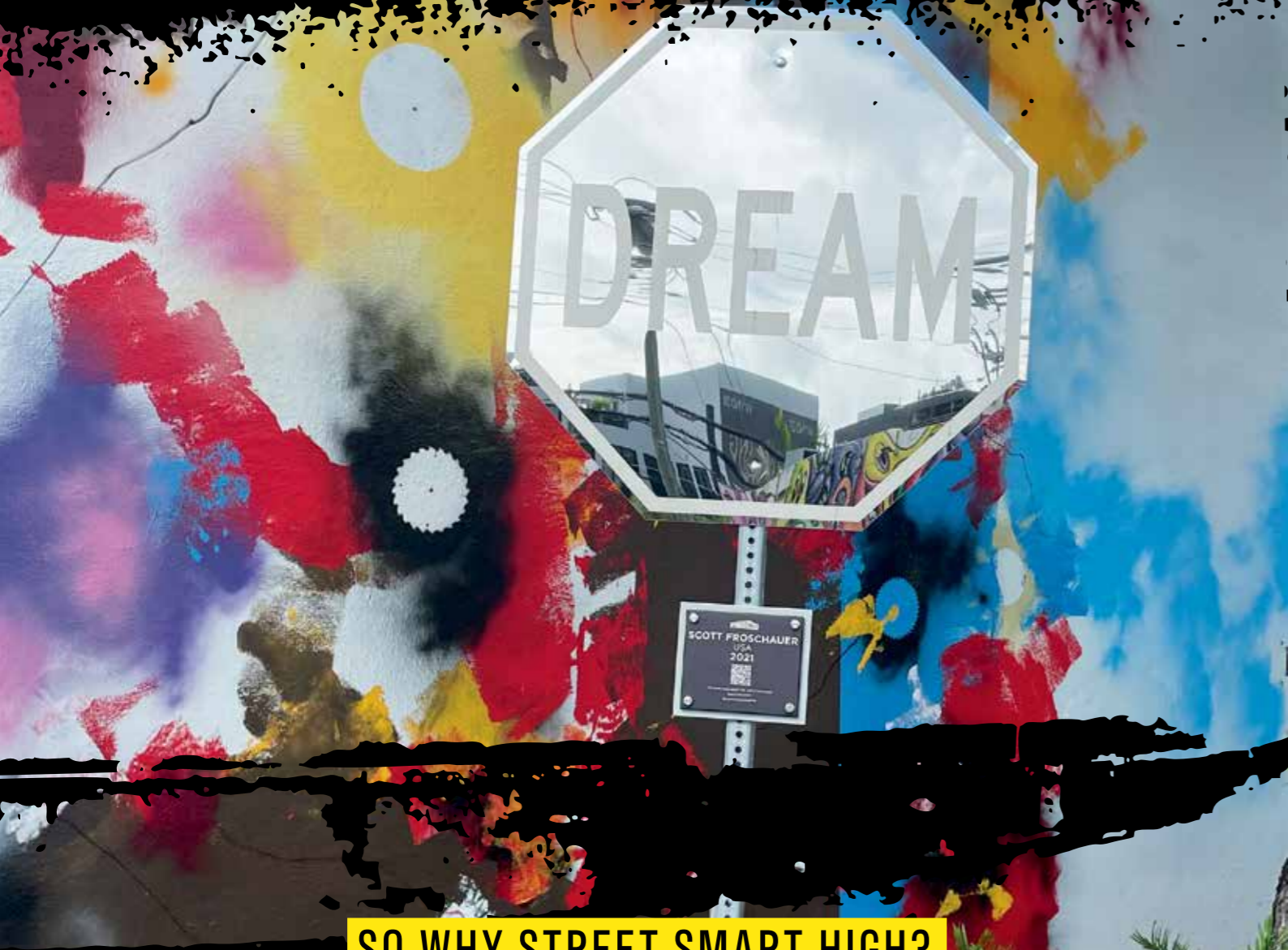


**ROAD SAFETY**



Government of South Australia

SHARING STORIES ABOUT RISK, RESILIENCE AND ROAD SAFETY SINCE 2009



## SO WHY STREET SMART HIGH?

### To connect and tell stories

Aboriginal people have known for thousands of years that storytelling is the most powerful form of communication.

Researchers have discovered that effective storytelling helps to release hormones including dopamine, oxytocin and endorphins into our body. In turn, listeners reflect on the story and often talk to others about it, which reinforces it to memory. Over time, this can lead to a change in attitude. Our program features many speakers who have powerful stories based on real life experiences.

### To help create a safety culture

We know that attitudes and culture change can take many years. Our goal is for everyone to have a selfless attitude when using the road system and to have safety of everyone at the forefront of every journey. We hope Street Smart High will plant seeds in the minds of the people who attend to help drive this cultural change.

### To share our knowledge and skills

Knowledge is power and skills can be taught. More than 90% of students who attended Street Smart High since 2009 have told us that their road safety skills and knowledge were better after the event.

We want to build resilience in young people. We know that resilient teenagers are less likely to get into a car with someone who may be over the limit, and more likely to have the confidence to speak up should the driver start to speed.

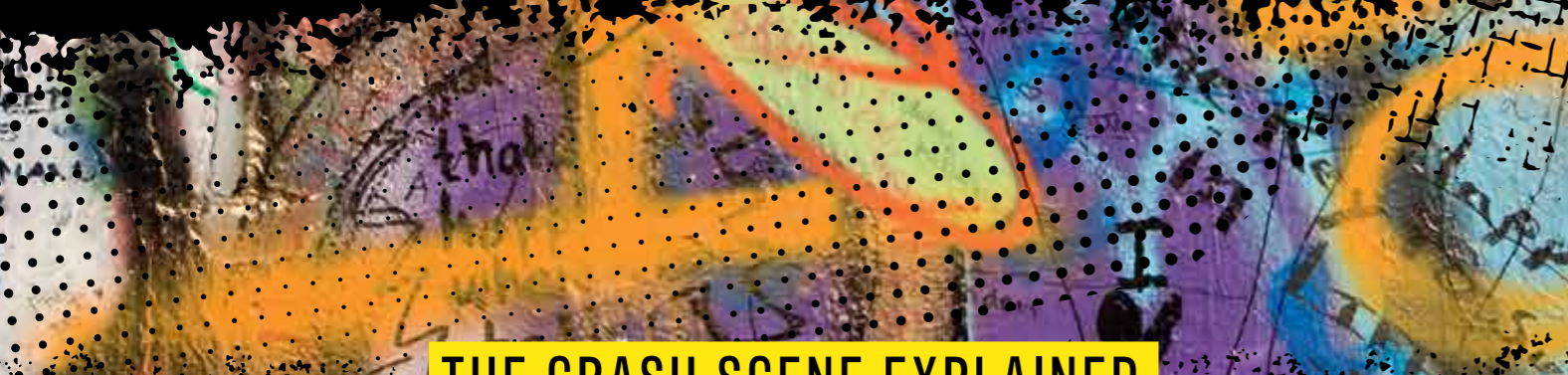
### Please enjoy the day – and talk to others about what you have seen, heard and experienced.

## EVENT PROGRAM

September 26 and 27, 2023.

9:20am	<b>Doors to Entertainment Centre open</b>	11:30am	<b>Driving simulation:</b> Presented by Think! Road Safety and SA Police
10:00am	<b>Students and guests to be seated</b>	11:40am	<b>Guest speaker: Charles Brice</b> Charles shares his story about how a motorbike crash has changed his life.
10:05am	<b>Welcome to Country: Kuma Kaaru</b>	11:55am	<b>Lunch &amp; Expo</b>
10:10am (Wed)	<b>Official welcome: Joe Szakacs MP</b> Minister for Police, Emergency Services and Correctional Services	12:45pm	<b>Wheelchair Basketball:</b> North schools v South schools (River Torrens border)
10:15am	<b>Welcome: Ben Haythorpe, RAA</b>	1:00pm	<b>Safety Car demonstration: Charles Kouba, RAA</b> Charles discusses the importance of a safe car.
10:20am	<b>Guest Speaker: Eli Murn</b> Eli speaks about the effect a crash in the Adelaide Hills has had on his life.	1:10pm	<b>Driver distraction presentation: Nicholas J Johnson</b> Presented by RAA
10:25am	<b>Crash scene:</b> Narrated by Dr Bill Griggs Supported by SA Police, SA Ambulance Service and SA Metropolitan Fire Service.	1:15pm	<b>Guest speaker: Ashton Filmer</b> Street Artist explains his work.
11:00am	<b>Organ donation presentation:</b> Dr Stewart Moodie, DonateLife SA talks about organ donation.	1:20pm	<b>Guest speaker: Melissa McGuinness</b> Melissa tells the story of her son who made a decision on the road that ended in a multiple fatality.
11:10am (Tues)	<b>Guest speaker: Kelly Golding</b> Kelly shares her story of how her brother died when he was hit by a car while walking home one night.	1:30pm	<b>Guest speaker: Michael Holbrook</b> Michael shares his story from a parents view after his son was killed in a car crash.
11:10am (Wed)	<b>Guest speakers: Mary and Daniel Woolley</b> Mary and Daniel talk about the impact Daniel's crash has had on their family.	1:40pm	<b>Elephants don't forget</b>
11:20am	<b>Guest speaker: Holly Scott</b> Holly shares her story of sustaining a traumatic brain injury in a car crash.	1:55pm	<b>Event wrap up</b>
		2:00pm	<b>Event closes</b>

Counsellors are available throughout the day near door 8 and door 10.  
Teacher staffroom available at lunch time in the Star Room.



## THE CRASH SCENE EXPLAINED

Andrew, Claire and Chris are heading home from a party. Andrew is driving, Claire is in the front passenger seat and Chris is in the back seat.

Chris unclips his seatbelt to show Andrew a photo in a text message. Andrew looks at the photo and then collides with a motorcyclist.

Chris is thrown through the windscreen of the car and is killed. The motorcyclist, John, is injured and Claire is trapped in the car with a broken leg. The driver, Andrew, is able to get out of the car.

### Additional character information:

#### Driver (Andrew)

Andrew has a small cut to his head. He has his head bandaged by ambulance officers at the scene, is arrested by police and taken away in a police car.

#### Motorcyclist (John)

John is the motorcyclist that is hit by the car. The force of the crash throws him behind the car. There is blood on his leg and his helmet remains on until he is attended to by ambulance officers. He is carried off on a stretcher. John is not considered a key part of the re-creation, his story continues during the DonateLife presentation.

#### Front seat passenger (Claire)

Claire is trapped in the car because she can't get her leg free from the wreck. The MFS has to cut her out of the car. They are concerned she may have a neck injury and a broken leg. This is done with great caution.

#### Rear seat passenger (Chris)

Chris took his seatbelt off so that he could lean forward to show the driver, Andrew, a text message on his phone. He didn't have his seatbelt on when the car crashed and was thrown through the windscreen. He landed on the ground in front of the car and has blood on his head.

#### First on scene (Justine and Adam)

Justine and Adam, who were at the same party as those involved in the crash, are first on scene. Adam calls emergency services while Justine stays with Claire to keep her calm.



## CLASSROOM DISCUSSION AND SACE CAPABILITIES

We strongly encourage all schools to continue the road safety conversation. We hope that your students will have a range of questions about the information presented to them.

By taking part in Street Smart High, students will contribute to the following SACE Capabilities:

Capabilities	Organising elements	Possible contextual applications
Ethical understanding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Understanding ethical concepts and issues</li> <li>Reasoning in personal decision making</li> <li>Exploring values, rights and responsibilities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Social issues</li> <li>Ethics</li> <li>Beliefs</li> <li>Right and wrong</li> <li>Freedom</li> </ul>
Critical and creative thinking	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Generating ideas, possibilities and actions</li> <li>Reflecting on thinking, actions and processes</li> <li>Analysing, synthesising and evaluating information</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Thought and reasoning</li> <li>Accessing, organising and using information</li> <li>Problem solving</li> <li>Collaborative thinking</li> </ul>
Personal and social capability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Self-awareness</li> <li>Self-management</li> <li>Social awareness</li> <li>Social management</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Personal identity</li> <li>Resilience, self-esteem, self-efficacy, wellbeing</li> <li>Managing relationships</li> <li>Decision-making</li> <li>Family</li> <li>Community</li> <li>Social life</li> <li>Shared rights and obligations</li> </ul>

Just 'cause you can doesn't mean you should



## SPEAKER PROFILES



### Eli Murn

In 2004, Eli crashed at high speed while driving under the influence. As a result, he now lives with an Acquired Brain Injury (ABI). With hours of physiotherapy and years of rehabilitation, he re-learned to walk, talk, eat and care for himself. Eli lives with ongoing mobility and memory issues associated with ABI, which are permanent.

Since the crash, Eli has taken every opportunity to share his story with young people.



### Melissa McGuinness

In 2012, Melissa's son, Jordan, caused the deaths of four other young people in a car crash in which he also died. He was speeding and under the influence of alcohol and marijuana.

In 2017, Melissa was invited by the Queensland Police Service to address a SAVE Day Road Safety event. Since then, YOU CHOOSE Youth Road Safety has been engaged by schools, councils, police and community organisations around Australia to uplift young people as advocates of changed driving behaviours.



### Ashton Filmer

Artist Ashton Filmer's mural artwork has been a canvas to recovery, with the bold and bright colours reflecting his joy at surviving a head-on car crash in 2013. After breaking

"everything from the hips down" (including both legs and feet) and being revived at the scene of his crash, Ashton suffered a severe left-side brain injury and was in a coma for 41 days. During Ashton's recovery, he had to re-learn basic life functions including how to walk and eat. Ashton shares his artwork with Street Smart High participants as a real-time illustration of his journey and recovery.



### Dr Stewart Moodie MB ChB FRCA FCICM MBioeth

Intensive Care Specialist Dr Stewart Moodie is the State Medical Director of DonateLife SA. He is the South Australian representative on the ANZICS

Death and Organ Donation Committee, Deputy Chair of the ANZICS End of Life Care Working Group and member of the NHMRC Ethical Allocation of Organs Working Group. He is also Deputy Chair of the Central Adelaide Local Health Network Treatment Ethics Committee and a LEAD trainer on the Core Family Donation Conversation Workshops.



### Kelly Golding (Tuesday only)

Kelly Golding is a voiceover artist and travel and lifestyle presenter for Channel Seven in Adelaide.

In September 2009, Kelly's younger brother Matthew was hit and killed by a car while lying on the side of the road in Middleton. He had been out with his work mates and was walking home. He was three weeks away from becoming a dad for the first time, and Kelly was also four months pregnant at the time. Kelly hopes that sharing Matthew's story will not only honour his memory, but help educate drivers and party goers and reduce the risk of this type of crash happening in the future.



### Nicholas J Johnson

Nicholas J Johnson is a professional speaker, magician, author and educator who specialises in improving the public's understanding of deception, and helping them

to identify scams, hoaxes and suspect science. For the past 20 years, Nicholas has worked with businesses, law enforcement agencies and universities to uncover the tricks behind the trick.



### Charles Brice

At the age of 19 Charles was thrown from a motorbike while on a routine ride near Loxton, landing headfirst into soft sand. His injury would shatter two vertebrae in his neck and

sever his spinal cord leaving him a quadriplegic. Since the crash, Charles has gone on to complete a journalism degree and is now the Adelaide reporter for ABC's News Breakfast. He also co-founded Wheel To Walk, a project that raises money for spinal cord injury research.



### Holly Scott

At 22 years old, Holly had a new relationship, a new job, great friends and family, and plans to travel. Then one night, everything changed when she overcorrected on a corner while

driving and hit a tree, resulting in a traumatic brain injury. Holly's life has completely changed since that night, and she wants people to understand how easy it is to be involved in a car crash and how difficult it can be to overcome.



### Charles Kouba

Charles Kouba is a Patrol Team Leader, who has been at RAA for over 10 years. He's proud to be involved in Street Smart High as he is a father with two young kids, and this is something close to his

heart. His presentation looks at the Australasian New Car Assessment Program (ANCAP), which involves crash testing vehicles in a controlled environment so consumers can make an informed choice when purchasing a new or used car.



### Mary Woolley (Wednesday only)

In 2017, Mary Woolley got the phone call no parent ever wants to receive – that her (then) 34-year-old son Daniel

had been in a car crash on the Yorke Peninsula and was on life support, with a 30% chance of survival. Mary had to face the reality of saying goodbye to Daniel forever. Daniel survived the crash, suffering a diffuse axonal brain injury (along with many other injuries), spending two weeks in Intensive Care and 20 weeks at Hampstead Rehabilitation Centre. Mary retired from her job as a teacher to care and help rehabilitate Daniel, who she says was given a second chance at life.



### Daniel Woolley (Wednesday only)

After going through a give-way sign and being T-boned at an intersection, Daniel Woolley has no memory of the 2017 road crash that nearly claimed his

life. It took two hours to cut him from the wreckage and he suffered a severe brain injury, lacerated spleen, broken ribs and ruptured diaphragm. After intensive rehabilitation lasting two years, supported by his parents, Daniel now joins several road safety awareness programs (including Street Smart High) to tell his story and hopefully make a difference to road users. Daniel lives with chronic pain, mobility issues and neurological fatigue.



### Michael Holbrook

Life was excellent for the Holbrook family until June 2009 when their 18-year-old son Nick was taken from them in a car crash. He was a passenger in a friend's car that

was speeding along West Lakes Boulevard. Michael now shares his story, from a parent's perspective, with young people across South Australia as a guest presenter with the SA Metropolitan Fire Service's 'Road Awareness Program'.

# STREET SMART HIGH SURVEY RESULTS

## A change in attitudes between 2009 to 2022.

### Perceptions of the driving behaviour of others is improving:

**↑ Safe driving trust rose 6%:**  
More young people believe their family drives safely (87% in 2022, compared to 81% in 2009).

**↑ 6 in 10:**  
Young people believe their friends drive safely, climbing from 5 in 10 back in 2009 (58% in 2022, compared to 50% in 2009).



### More trust in police and road rule enforcement:

**↓ Half as many agreed:**  
That the police pick on P-platers (26% in 2022, compared to 50% in 2009).

**↓ 9% fall:**  
Young people that think speed cameras are only there to make money for the government (13% in 2022, compared to 22% in 2009).

**↓ Around half as many agreed:**  
That "there are too many restrictions on young drivers" (18% in 2022, compared to 34% in 2009).

**↓ 2% fall:**  
Young people that think that it's okay to speed sometimes (12% in 2022, compared to 14% in 2009).



### Better understanding of the importance of safe cars:

**↑ 7% increase:**  
Young people that want a car with good safety features (87% in 2022, compared to 80% in 2009).

**↓ 1 in 4:**  
Young people that think that an older car is better, so it doesn't matter if they crash it, falling from 1 in 3 back in 2009 (24% in 2022, compared to 34% in 2009).



*What young South Australians are saying about Road Safety.*



\*Results of the Street Smart High pre-event survey of more than 20,000 student attendees between 2009 and 2022.

## TIPS TO BE A SAFE DRIVER

### As an **L** Plater

- Get lots of practice on different roads, in different cars at different times of the day
- Ask your supervisor about their tips for driving and how they keep safe
- Before you go on a drive, work out what you need to practice with your supervisor.

### As a **P** Plater

- Remember that even though you have passed the test – you are still a beginning driver
- Give yourself at least three seconds between you and the car in front
- Be extra careful at right hand turns (common cause of crashes).

### As a supervising driver

- Ensure your learner has varied driving experiences on their L's
- Ask questions of your learner about what they are seeing and thinking as they drive
- Remember – even if you are a good driver, it doesn't mean you are a good teacher.

### As the holder of an open license

- Remember the Fatal 5
- Give L and P Platers time and space on the road
- Share and respect the road – and everyone else on it.

## CAUSING A CRASH: THE LEGAL SIDE



**John Lyons** is a Barrister in Adelaide who has been dealing with motor vehicle cases for 40 years. He tells us how one mistake on the road could land you a lengthy jail term.

### What are the legal consequences of causing a crash?

If you drive dangerously and cause a crash that kills or injures someone, you'll probably be charged with causing death or serious bodily harm by dangerous driving, under s19A of the Criminal Law Consolidation Act 1935 (SA). Many months of legal proceedings starting in the Magistrates Court would then follow.

You might choose to plead not guilty, however usually it's clear who is at fault and the driver pleads guilty. Either way, you'll need to pay an expensive lawyer or use Legal Aid to represent you in court.

### What's the punishment?

Most dangerous driving offences have a maximum penalty of 15 years in jail, as well as automatic licence disqualification for 10 years. Then there is the stigma of having a criminal record that will show up on any police clearance for the rest of your life, affecting your ability to work and travel.

Sentences for driving offences are often quite harsh because the courts see it as their role to deter other people from acting the same way. A lot of young people don't realise this: even if it's your first offence and you're remorseful, you're likely to be given a significant jail sentence to deter other people your age from driving dangerously.

### What if I didn't mean to?

A lot of young offenders say, "I didn't mean to hurt anyone – it wasn't my intention." But that doesn't wash. If there was bad driving involved and a death or injury has resulted from it, you'll be found guilty of a very serious offence.

It is often tragic for everyone involved. When a young person causes a crash that kills someone – often one of their own friends – their whole life takes a turn for the absolute worst. The implications of causing such an incident and being convicted of an offence are phenomenal and long-lasting.

*I didn't mean to hurt anyone ...*

## INFORMATION FOR PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS

Parents and caregivers play an important role in reducing the road toll. They are key to influencing the development of safe driver attitudes and actions.

Schools are encouraged to provide information to these groups to educate them and help them initiate important conversations with their children. By engaging with parents and caregivers

and encouraging them to play an active role in road safety, we can make a real difference.

Visit [www.raa.com.au/streetsmarthigh](http://www.raa.com.au/streetsmarthigh) to download a fact sheet that can be included in your next school newsletter. By doing this, you'll be adding more information into your students' road safety backpacks.



# SCHOOLS ATTENDING

TUESDAY 26 SEPTEMBER BALAKLAVA HIGH SCHOOL BLAKES CROSSING CHRISTIAN COLLEGE BLACKFRIARS PRIORY SCHOOL BRIGHTON SECONDARY SCHOOL COMPASS CATHOLIC COLLEGE CONCORDIA COLLEGE CHRISTIAN BROTHERS COLLEGE GLENUNGA INTERNATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL GOLDEN GROVE HIGH SCHOOL HERITAGE COLLEGE INVESTIGATOR COLLEGE INDIE SCHOOL KILDARE COLLEGE KINGS BAPTIST GRAMMAR SCHOOL LE FEVRE HIGH SCHOOL MARK OLIPHANT COLLEGE MARY MACKILLOP COLLEGE MODBURY HIGH SCHOOL MOONTA AREA SCHOOL MOUNT BARKER HIGH SCHOOL MOUNT CARMEL COLLEGE NAZARETH CATHOLIC COMMUNITY NORWOOD INTERNATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL OAKBANK AREA SCHOOL PEMBROKE COLLEGE PORTSIDE CHRISTIAN COLLEGE PULTENEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL REYNELLA EAST COLLEGE SACRED HEART COLLEGE SEAFORD SECONDARY COLLEGE SEDA COLLEGE SEYMOUR COLLEGE ST FRANCES DE SALES COLLEGE ST PETER'S COLLEGE ST PETER'S GIRLS' SCHOOL TEMPLE CHRISTIAN COLLEGE MILE END THOMAS MORE COLLEGE TYNDALE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL WARRIAPPENDI SCHOOL WHYALLA SECONDARY COLLEGE XAVIER COLLEGE

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