

Agenda

Activity	Description	Speaker	Time
Welcome	Welcome from Catholic Schools NSW and overview of agenda	Danielle Cronin	9:15-9:30am
Presentation #1: Student panel	Q&A session with a panel of current and former CSNSW VDSS students speaking to their experiences with VDSS	CSNSW students	9:30-10:00am
Presentation #2: Making VET compulsory	Presentation on the role of VET in the education and training system and discussion on whether VET should be compulsory for all school students	Professor Peter Shergold	10:00-10:30am
Workshop #1: Employability skill set creation	Facilitated workshop to identify what key employability skills are applicable to all school students and whether a VET skill set focusing on employability skills should be mandatory for CSNSW students	Activity facilitated by PwC	10:30-11:00am
<i>Morning tea break</i>			11:00-11:30am
Presentation #3: Earlier career education	Presentation on the importance of career education and exploration of whether it should become a compulsory and integrated part of school curriculum from the start of high school	David Carney (CICA)	11:30am-12:00pm
Workshop #2: Role of stakeholders in career advice	Facilitated workshop to determine the various responsibilities of stakeholders in providing career advice to students	Activity facilitated by PwC	12:00-12:30pm
Presentation #4: Work placements	Presentation on the Amazon Web Services virtual work placement program (launched in 2020) and discussion on whether all employers of a certain size should be required to engage in work placement/apprenticeship pathways for VET students	Monica Vanderkley (Amazon Web Services)	12:30-1:00pm
Workshop #3: Industry engagement in VDSS	Facilitated workshop to understand what could be done to improve the current state of school-industry partnerships and work-integrated learning in the Catholic school VET system	Activity facilitated by PwC	1:00-1:30pm
<i>Lunch break</i>			1:30-2:15pm
Presentation #5: Innovative VET in School programs: Drones in schools	Presentation on the Drones in Schools program, run by Marist College, as well as a broader discussion about how schools can foster innovative industry engagement and VDSS programs	Monique Evans (Marist College, Emerald)	2:15-2:45pm
Presentation #6: New VET finance models	TBC	TBC	2:45-3:15pm
Presentation #7: The overseas VDSS experience	Presentation on what can be learnt from the UK experience in VDSS and what innovative and dangerous ideas can be applied in Australia	Philip Le Feuvre (Northern Council for Further Education, UK)	3:15-3:45pm
Workshop #4: Your own 'Dangerous Idea'	Facilitated workshop to challenge attendees to begin experimenting with their own dangerous idea that could improve the delivery of VET in NSW Catholic schools	Activity facilitated by PwC	3:45-4:15pm
Closing remarks	Closing remarks and next steps	Danielle Cronin	4:15-4:30pm

Please note, the agenda and speakers are subject to change