



Speech by


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## **MORAYFIELD ELECTORATE, EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES**

 **Mr RYAN** (Morayfield—ALP) (9.25 pm): The Queensland and Australian Labor governments are continuing to work together to deliver real results for our young people. This is no more obvious than in the schools of the Morayfield state electorate. Recently, I participated in the official opening of a new Science Centre for the 21st Century and a new Trade Training Centre at Morayfield State High School. From the outset, I must acknowledge the significant funds provided by the Australian Labor government for these two outstanding educational facilities for the young people of the Morayfield state electorate.

The Australian Labor government provided \$1.36 million to construct the Morayfield Trade Training Centre and \$1.97 million to construct the Science Centre for the 21st Century at the Morayfield State High School. The construction of these new facilities was project managed by the Queensland government. I was very pleased to be joined at the official opening by Senator Mark Furner, school patron Lynette Devereaux, school principal Janelle Amos and past school principals Sharyn Donald and Brad Fox.

As I mentioned earlier, the Morayfield Trade Training Centre cost more than \$1.36 million to build. It will provide invaluable trade training facilities to the students of Morayfield State High School as well as students from neighbouring high schools—the Caboolture and Tullawong state high schools. This trade training centre has been purpose-built to deliver light construction trades training. Through this centre, students will be able to gain qualifications in bricklaying, carpentry, painting and decorating, plastering and tiling. They will learn valuable and in-demand skills that will improve their chances of employment after school.

I would like to congratulate the three schools involved in the trade training centre for developing strong partnerships with other community organisations, including Construction Skills Queensland and Biga Training. These partnerships will ensure the centre's facilities and training programs are appropriate to support the skills needs of local industry.

The Science Centre for the 21st Century is another exciting facility for the students of Morayfield State High School. The new science centre is supporting the Queensland Labor government's focus on science, technology, engineering and mathematics education in schools. I congratulate the school for developing a strong partnership with QUT that will allow students in the local area to make the most of this wonderful facility. In addition, this new science centre will support the school's focus and success in the area of robotics. As honourable members would have heard, I am very proud of the students of Morayfield State High School who came second in the International Robotics Championships last year.