



## Speech By Michael Crandon

## **MEMBER FOR COOMERA**

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## **ADJOURNMENT**

## **South-East Region Learning College**

Mr CRANDON (Coomera—LNP) (11.24 pm): Who among us would not be proud to boast about one of our education facilities—whether it be public or private primary schools, public or private high schools, a TAFE, college or a university—which had the following statistics. I am talking about a school boasting a 900 per cent plus growth in enrolment numbers over six years, which had 601 students enrolled in 2015, with that number to grow by around a further 300—that is around 900 students graduating by the end of 2016; a 98 per cent pass rate; 81 per cent attendance figures for students who could not manage to attend even 10 per cent of the time at their previous schools; 100 per cent of university bound students accepted into their university courses at the end of 2014 and 2015; and 41 per cent of graduating students re-enrolled with the college to continue with further studies. Just one week ago, on 8 June 2016, School Improvement Review was quoted as stating that the school review on this school was the best improvement review it had ever done. This school is Eagleby Learning Centre, now known as the South-East Region Learning College. This is a unique school with unique qualities and unique and dedicated educators.

Their vision statement, 'Success Starts Here', is based on the premise that everyone is entitled to an education. South-east Region Learning College, or SERL C, is leading the way in alternative education by challenging traditional methods of education delivery so that disenfranchised, disengaged and even formerly ineligible students have the opportunity to access education with real success. SERL C has become the exemplar for this by delivering a range of quality state secondary education and certificate courses in a flexible manner and, most importantly, successfully to second-chance learners using what is termed a flexible learning alternative EQ model that was developed right in the heart of Eagleby in the north of the Coomera electorate.

In closing, the region is now rolling out that learning program at Varsity Lakes and Eagleby and, hopefully very soon, we will see one also in the Coomera electorate in a perfectly positioned education facility at our marine precinct where there will be a great opportunity not only for education completion but for people to gain employment in that marine precinct.