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 **Ms McMILLAN** (Mansfield—ALP) (7.20 pm): Tonight I celebrate the great investment that the Palaszczuk Labor government has delivered for the schools in my electorate of Mansfield. Earlier this year the Palaszczuk government announced that all state schools will receive funding to air condition their classrooms, libraries and staff rooms over the next two years. In the Mansfield electorate air conditioning has already been delivered at Rochedale State School and Mackenzie State Special School. Mount Gravatt East State School and Mansfield State School have reached contract award stage, while Rochedale State High School, Mansfield State High School, Upper Mount Gravatt State School and Wishart State School are in the design/tender phase.

Since being elected in November 2017 I have secured well over \$100 million for our local schools. Mansfield State School has received over \$12 million to build eight new classrooms, and \$1.4 million has been allocated to extend the sports hall. The department's pre-consultation for the delivery of the new learning centre and car park extension closed 28 April. A contract has also been awarded to the successful business for the delivery of air conditioning for all classrooms at that school. Mansfield State High School has received more than \$70 million invested in new learning areas. The Palaszczuk Labor government is providing the school with refurbishments to multiple learning spaces, an extension to the administration area, a new kitchen and canteen and a completely refurbished performing arts hall.

Rochedale State High School has received more than \$5 million; Rochedale State School, \$797,416 to build new classrooms; Upper Mount Gravatt State School, \$1.97 million invested in new facilities and \$8.8 million to rebuild the building after the fire; Wishart State School, more than \$6 million and a new 40-kilometre school zone; Mount Gravatt East State School, refurbished teaching blocks; Mackenzie State Special School, \$4 million for new classrooms; Mackenzie State School, \$736,000; Brisbane Adventist College, more than \$1 million for the renewal of their secondary school building; Redeemer Lutheran College, more than \$340,000; St Catherine's Catholic Primary School, nearly \$4.5 million of recurrent funding, similar to St Bernard's Catholic Primary School.

I have a proud and long history as a school principal and teacher of more than 22 years. Education is my expertise and my electorate is an education powerhouse—a hub of educational excellence! It has been an honour to support thousands of young people on their educational journey during my career, inspiring each and every one of them to aspire to achieve their goals and fulfil their life dreams. While the Palaszczuk Labor government has made tough decisions to protect the health of all Queenslanders during these challenging times, we continue to future-proof our children and their education.