




Speech By
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 **Hon. MT RYAN** (Morayfield—ALP) (Minister for Police and Corrective Services and Minister for Fire and Emergency Services) (6.07 pm): I want to take this opportunity to commend and congratulate all of the students who are graduating from high school, primary school or kindergarten in the Morayfield state electorate over the coming weeks and month ahead. From the eight high schools in the Morayfield state electorate, there will be 626 year 12 students graduating this year. I congratulate them. They are at the end of their secondary schooling and I wish them well for the next stages in their lives. I want to also wish them well for what they might do to celebrate the end of their secondary schooling.

Of the 12 primary schools in the Morayfield state electorate, 930 students will be graduating from year 6—a great milestone for them to celebrate. Obviously they will be very excited about starting their secondary schooling next year. Of course, there will be dozens and dozens of kindy kids who will be graduating this year as well, including my eldest boy, Danny. I want to say how proud I am of him. I am obviously very excited that he will be off to big-boy school next year. He is obviously very excited, but will need to practise his A-B-Cs and 1-2-3s.

I also acknowledge that this government is making significant investment in state school infrastructure. Not only has the government announced that we are building a new school to cater for the population growth in Caboolture West, with that school to open in 2025-26 and cater for up to 1,100 students when it is finally completed, but we are also investing in the existing infrastructure of schools throughout the Morayfield state electorate, including the new hall at Morayfield State High School. This is a great project on which I was very happy to work with the school community, and I want to commend the education minister for her support of the proposal. It is a big \$7 million hall that has two sports courts, a gymnasium, change rooms, amenities and a performance stage—all the facilities that go along with supporting the activities of that hall.

We will celebrate an exciting milestone next week with the official opening of that hall. I am very much looking forward to celebrating our investment with the school community. It coincides with their awards celebrations next week. I am very happy to show off that hall to the broader school community.

I also wanted to acknowledge that we are due for a celebration at the Lee Street State Special School for the opening of their new hall. It is a massive joint hall with the Caboolture State High School. It is a great partnership where we are embedding facilities that can be shared across two school communities. I will be very happy to celebrate the official opening of that hall in the near future as well.