



Speech By Corrine McMillan

MEMBER FOR MANSFIELD

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ADJOURNMENT

Griffith University, Mount Gravatt Campus

Ms McMilLAN (Mansfield—ALP) (11.49 pm): I rise this evening to speak about an issue of concern in the Mansfield electorate—the uncertain future of the Griffith University Mount Gravatt campus, including Yarranlea Primary School and the much-loved aquatic and sporting facilities. The David Crisafulli LNP government has failed to provide any certainty for this state owned land. Griffith University is vacating the site and returning it to the state. Allowing the closure of these community facilities without a plan is short-sighted.

Yarranlea Primary School holds a lease until 2034. Families enrolling their children in 2026 rightly expect they can complete their education there, yet the government has refused to give them that assurance. That uncertainty is unfair and distressing for local families. It was the former Newman-Crisafulli LNP government that first closed Yarranlea State School in 2013 as part of their savage program of cuts to Queensland schools. Today, under David Crisafulli, history is at risk of repeating itself.

By contrast, the former Miles Labor government stood with Yarranlea. The former deputy premier confirmed that Labor would guarantee Yarranlea's right to remain until 2034, work with the school on a longer term tenure and ensure they had a say in the future of the site. In contrast, this government have ignored parents, they have ignored teachers and they have ignored thousands of families who rely on the pools and sporting facilities at Mount Gravatt. The community is looking for reassurance.

I have fought hard for local families. I have written multiple times to the Minister for Natural Resources requesting he guarantee Yarranlea's secure tenure, protect their outside school hours care and safeguard the sporting and aquatic facilities. I have also written to the sports minister calling for a plan to keep the pools open for school carnivals, swim squads and learn-to-swim programs. I have met with Griffith University and Yarranlea to discuss solutions. Parents and Yarranlea's chair of the board have even written directly to the Premier, David Crisafulli, demanding urgent action—and I table that letter—yet they have not received a clear response.

Tabled paper: Letter, dated 26 August 2025, from Board Chairperson, Yarranlea Limited, Yarranlea Primary School and Outside School Hours Care (OSHC), Ms Adrienne Innes to the Premier and Minister for Veterans, Hon. David Crisafulli regarding use by the school and OSHC at Griffith University's former Mount Gravatt campus 1144.

I am urging the government to stop dragging their feet, guarantee Yarranlea's future and secure an operator for the aquatic and sporting facilities. This is about protecting local jobs and ensuring school choice for local families. I will continue to fight for Yarranlea, for our sporting clubs and for every family in the Mansfield electorate until this LNP government stops failing the Mansfield community.