

## **Alliance welcomes news on school funding**

The Need to Succeed Alliance welcomes the Abbott Government's decision to deliver \$2.8 billion in extra school funding over the next four years.

The Government's support for needs-based funding is also welcomed as the Alliance remains strongly committed to the delivery of needs-based funding consistent with the Gonski Review of School Funding.

The current SES model of funding is no longer answering students' needs and the performance of Australian students has declined.

If this continues, Australia risks being left behind. The risk is greatest for our poorest and most disadvantaged students.

The Gonski school funding model, proposes an entirely new sector-neutral approach: per capita base funding for all schools, and loadings for categories of disadvantage. We believe this is the way to give every student what he or she needs to achieve, regardless of the school they attend or their background.

[Ken Boston from the Need to Succeed Alliance is available for comment.](#)

*The Need to Succeed Alliance is a group of concerned individuals and organisations representing Gonski Review panellists, NGOs, education stakeholders, parent bodies and eminent Australians in support of sector-neutral, needs-based funding for schools.*

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