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## **New Federal Education Minister Announced**

Independent Schools Queensland today thanked outgoing Federal Education Minister Dan Tehan for his political leadership of the education portfolio over the past three years while also welcoming Alan Tudge to the role.

ISQ Executive Director David Robertson acknowledged Mr Tehan’s collaborative approach to education policy reform and his open-door approach to discussing issues of importance to the independent schooling sector.

Mr Robertson said Queensland independent schools appreciated the time Mr Tehan devoted to engaging with the sector during his time as Education Minister.

“I would like to particularly acknowledge the Minister’s compassion for the plight of independent school communities impacted by the ongoing drought and the devastating floods in north Queensland in early 2019 and his support in securing special circumstances funding for impacted school communities,” he said.

Mr Robertson welcomed the appointment of Mr Tudge as the new Federal Minister for Education and Youth.

“ISQ looks forward to engaging with the new Minister on issues of national importance to the sector through our peak body, Independent Schools Australia, as well as on local priorities for Queensland independent schools,” he said.

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