



Our 5-Year plan



Institute of Retired Senior Educational Administrators (IRSEA) OUR DIRECTIONS AND PRIORITIES

Our Vision



An influential and thriving organisation of inspired leadership, warm collegiality and passionate advocacy to help ensure public education in NSW is the core provider of outstanding, internationally renowned, quality education.

Our Mission



Enrich the lives of members through engagement, collegiality, friendship, and support while deploying our intellectual capacity and educational expertise to advance public education.

Our Commitments



- Ensure collegiality, friendship and member value are at the heart of the organisation.
- Embrace inclusivity, equity, diversity, and collaboration as the underpinnings of excellence in public education.
- Support a public education system that delivers learning success for every child and young person.
- Advocate for the students, families, administrators, teachers, schools, TAFE campuses and communities that comprise public education in NSW and beyond.

Our Acknowledgement of Country



We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of Country throughout NSW and Australia. We pay our respect to Elders past, present, and emerging.

Our Priorities

Thriving Membership

Enriching the lives of retired and current senior educational administrators through engagement, collegiality, friendship, sharing and support.

Thought Leadership

Deploying the deep educational insights, expertise, and wisdom of our diverse membership – connecting past and present to help shape the future of public education.

Advocacy & Inspiration

Inspiring and supporting the achievement of educational excellence and equitable outcomes in public education.

Our Impact



Thriving Membership

Adding genuine value to the lives of members through a suite of social and service activities.



Thought Leadership

Contributing to and influencing the intellectual capital and capabilities of public school educators in their quest to be at the forefront of education provision.



Advocacy & Inspiration

Providing public educators and policy makers with independent, authoritative and evidence-based educational advice, advocacy and support.



Our 2025-26 priorities



Institute of Retired Senior Educational Administrators (IRSEA) PRIORITIES for 2025/6

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IRSEA 2025/6 Priorities



Thriving Membership

- Increase outreach to eligible retired and serving DoE and TAFE leaders.
- Establish regional member meetings in Newcastle and Wollongong.
- Expand the number and type of social events across NSW.
- Pilot new event formats to include current leaders.



Thought Leadership

- Formalise partnerships with DoE, PEF, and Stewart House through MOUs.
- Establish thought leadership seminars on future-focused public education.
- Promote national consensus on free and secular public education.
- Award the inaugural IRSEA Fellowship to an exemplary leader.



Advocacy & Inspiration

- Support NSW schools to achieve national & international recognition.
- Strengthen IRSEA's advocacy role in supporting equitable access to TAFE.
- Develop deeper partnerships with the higher education sector.
- Collaborate with creative industries to strengthen the image of public education.

IRSEA 2025/6 Impact

- Increased membership and engagement
- Regional member meetings launched
- New types of social events introduced
- New event formats launched

- MOUs and actions activated
- Seminar series successfully embedded
- Active, targeted promotion of public education
- New IRSEA Fellow celebrated and supported

- IRSEA coaches supporting outstanding schools
- A strategic relationship & priorities established
- Partnerships and priorities established
- Partnerships and possibilities developed



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