



Education

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David
Dear Mr Calleja,

It gives me great pleasure to congratulate you, your team and your students on the results achieved by Blacktown Boys High School in the 2023 Higher School Certificate.

You and your entire school community should be immensely proud of this achievement. Our Plan for Public Education speaks of our ambition as a system to provide opportunities for all and transform lives through learning. I know that this can only be achieved by strong leadership with a dedicated and professional staff sharing a collective vision of continuous school improvement. I also know that Blacktown Boys High School excels in delivering on this.

Blacktown Boys High School saw an uplift of 9.5% from 2017-18 in 2023 and continued improvement from 2022 to 2023 in your Band 5 and 6 results. This improvement represents one of the highest improvements in the state and demonstrates Blacktown Boys High School's ongoing commitment to student improvement and school success in the HSC, and the support of your dedicated teaching staff to sustain it.

Your school's focus on improving literacy across all key learning areas through sustained professional learning has supported the continued growth of all teachers. I understand that the school has a dedicated pathways plan for students which includes personalised interviews with students, teachers and parents to plan and discuss meaningful post-school pathways for every student.

I know that this achievement does not happen in isolation. It is the collective efforts of a whole school to providing outstanding learning experiences in every classroom that challenges and grows our students.

Once again, congratulations on this well-deserved recognition. On behalf of the students at Blacktown Boys High School I thank you and your staff for your unwavering commitment to public education. I wish you continued success for 2024.

Yours sincerely

Murat Dizdar
SECRETARY
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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