

Media Release

Outstanding School Leadership in Melbourne's West

LeadWest congratulates Copperfield College, Taylors Lakes Secondary College and Rosehill Secondary College on winning the 2011 Outstanding School Leadership Team Award at the prestigious Victorian Education Excellence Awards.

The award is recognition of the effect program used by these schools to improve students' numeracy skills.

They are getting better results by working together, working with teachers across the network, and helping them teach numeracy in better ways.

The approach involves using a numeracy consultant, a regional numeracy coach, and individual school-based numeracy coaches providing vital ongoing support to teachers.

The award will enable the schools to further improve their strategy and share findings with other schools.

Amongst the 36 individual and school finalists for 12 awards, selected from hundreds of nominations across the state, the following finalists were from Melbourne's west:

- Copperfield College, Rosehill Secondary College and Taylors Lakes Secondary College in the Outstanding School Leadership Team Award category;
- Christopher Grigg of the Western Autistic School in the Victoria Teachers Credit Union Outstanding Teacher Award (Disability And Additional Needs) category;
- Ann Robinson of Caroline Springs College in the mecu Outstanding Business Manager Award category; and
- Mackellar Primary School in the Outstanding Education Support Team Award category.

LeadWest congratulates all the finalists, especially those from Melbourne's west.

"It was great to see amongst the finalists four schools from Melbourne's west and outstanding individuals at two others," said LeadWest Chief Executive Officer Anton Mayer.

"We're very pleased that three schools in the west were recognised for outstanding school leadership. The award they've won enables these schools to show others a successful way to achieve sustained numeracy improvement," said Anton Mayer.

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About LeadWest

LeadWest Ltd was formed by the metropolitan western region councils. Its board members are representatives from the councils, businesses and educational institutions of Melbourne's West. LeadWest was formed to foster and undertake actions that support the sustainable growth and development of the region. It builds on the existing social, economic and environmental capacity of the region, to ensure a sustainable future for communities and businesses of the West.