PURPOSE

The Australian Government Smarter Schools National Partnerships are designed to build the capacity of South Australian schools and contribute to the achievement of the following National Education Agreement Outcomes:

1. All children are engaged in and benefiting from schooling;
2. Young people are meeting basic literacy and numeracy standards, and overall levels of literacy and numeracy achievement are improving;
3. Schooling promotes social inclusion and reduces educational disadvantage of children, especially indigenous children;
4. Australian students excel by international standards; and
5. Young people make a successful transition from school to work and further study.

To support the achievement of these outcomes, The Mid North Education Centre is participating in the following Smarter Schools National Partnerships Strategies in 2012:

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<td>The Student Mentoring and Youth Development program is a school based initiative to support students across Years 5 to 9 who are at risk of disengaging from school and/or not making a successful transition from primary to secondary school. The purpose of the strategy is to increase student engagement, wellbeing and learning achievement through one to one student mentoring and targeted youth development programs.</td>
<td>Through the Student Mentoring program our school will be resourced to provide one to one student support for learning and wellbeing. In addition, our school may access youth development funding to facilitate professional learning, programs and initiatives aimed at building the capacity of our school to meet the needs of all our students. In 2011-12, $865,454 was allocated to Yorke and Mid North schools to provide support for Student Mentoring and Youth Development.</td>
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