



Queensland Virtual Academy



Schools teaching to other schools



The Queensland Virtual Academy (QVA) is a statewide, cohesive approach to increasing equity in student access to curriculum pathways, learning opportunities, and teaching expertise. The QVA enhances access to learning opportunities for students regardless of where they live by leveraging digital and virtual learning.

The schools teaching to other schools service will increase equitable access to diverse curriculum and learning through enabling school-to-school virtual curriculum delivery, with a centralised quality assurance oversight.

QVA services

The 4 services provided by the QVA are:

- **Live online lessons:** virtual learning is delivered to students in difficult-to-staff learning areas or subjects by a QVA partner school teacher to students in another school.
- **On-demand learning materials:** the QVA provides access to learning materials that assist teachers to more confidently deliver the curriculum.
- **Schools teaching to other schools:** through school-initiated partnerships, schools work together to deliver curriculum and learning opportunities.
- **Targeted and specialist virtual programs:** these programs enrich curriculum for targeted students and support schools to further personalise student learning.



Schools teaching to other schools service	
What is the schools teaching to other schools service?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Schools work together to diversify the curriculum offerings and learning opportunities for their students. Schools share teachers with subject expertise to enable students to virtually access Australian Curriculum learning areas and QCAA senior syllabuses across school boundaries. QVA provides guidance in achieving quality, sustainable delivery for these school-initiated partnerships.
How do schools participate?	Schools should consider the opportunities and implications of participating in the QVA. They should undertake appropriate internal and external consultation to determine how their involvement with the QVA can address specific curriculum and learning needs of students. Schools will initiate a partnership with each other based on their needs and local context. Support is then provided by the QVA to design and deliver schools' virtual learning solutions, e.g. school-to-school guide, professional learning community.
What are the benefits of schools teaching to other schools?	<p>Benefits of school-to-school initiated partnerships, supported and guided by the QVA include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> improving equity and access to diverse curriculum offerings for students regardless of geographical location or local resources empowering students with enhanced and additional curriculum choice and new ways of learning with others maximising distribution of teaching expertise, particularly in difficult to staff subjects teachers continuing to practice their subject of expertise while remaining engaged in their local school and communities increasing flexible work options for teachers so they can remain part of the teaching team as work and life circumstances change empowering and developing teachers' capabilities to deliver innovative, flexible learning to meet the needs of students developing teachers' curriculum expertise by co-teaching and mentoring with an experienced teacher at partner schools empowering and growing staff capability to deliver innovative and flexible learning through membership in the Professional Learning Community (PLC) for collegial engagement and coaching access to support and guidelines from the QVA to design, deliver and quality assure school-initiated virtual learning partnerships.
What supports are available?	<p>Schools will have access to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the <i>QVA guide for schools teaching to other schools</i> to enable effective school-to-school virtual learning design and delivery quality assurance of school-to-school virtual learning, supporting the development and sustainability of quality virtual learning for all students membership in the PLC for collegial engagement and coaching.
Want to know more?	<p>Additional information sheets for the QVA services are available, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> QVA overview live online lessons on-demand learning materials targeted and specialist virtual programs.