

Form a partnership with an AuSSI school to...

- assist school communities through sharing your knowledge and expertise
- mentor students and teachers
- gain recognition as a sustainable schools partner
- model environmental citizenship through making a difference with respect to climate change
- raise the profile of your organisation with respect to climate change
- grow your own knowledge and understanding through professional learning



Contact us to...

- find out more information
- seek assistance from the AuSSI-Tas project officer
- plan professional learning support for your school
- add your school's stories or activities
- find out more about the Department of Education's Energy Saving Guide (for government schools) and other departmental initiatives



Partners include:

- Australian Government Department of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts
- Tasmanian Department of Education
- Tasmanian Department of Environment, Parks, Heritage and the Arts



Cooperatively administered through the AuSSI-Tas Steering Committee, which includes:

Tasmanian Department of Education
Tasmanian Department of Environment, Parks, Heritage and the Arts
Australian Government Department of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts
Representative Principals from across the sectors
Australian Association of Environmental Educators
Tasmanian State School's Parents and Friends Association Inc.
Sustainable Living Tasmania

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About AuSSI-Tas

AuSSI-Tas is a dynamic partnership between the Tasmanian Department of Education and Department of Environment, Parks, Heritage, and the Australian Government Department of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts.

The AuSSI vision is for all Australian schools and their communities to be sustainable.

AuSSI-Tas involves participants in a whole-of-school approach to bring about improvement in their school's management of resources and facilities including energy, waste, water, biodiversity, landscape design, products and materials.

The AuSSI model incorporates the four pillars of sustainability:

- **Environment**
- **Economic**
- **Social**
- **Governance**

Participating schools form a School Environmental Management Team and develop a School Environmental Management Plan (SEMP) in consultation with their whole school community. The SEMP brings together teaching and learning to develop, explore, reflect and consider understandings around the concept of sustainability. A SEMP template is now available online.

Within schools, goal setting, environmental actions, classroom activities and student learning are

linked strongly to the Tasmanian Curriculum. The AuSSI-Tas website supports schools with resources and the tools to embed sustainability into their everyday school life.

Join your school's environmental management team to...

- *lead educating for sustainability within your school including the development of a School Environmental Management Plan*
- *revisit school programs and policies to enrich teaching and learning*
- *take a leading role in reducing your school's environmental footprint*
- *connect with the local community*
- *share your expertise*
- *promote student leadership and environmental citizenship*
- *belong to the national Australian Sustainable Schools Initiative (AuSSI)*

Create a school environmental management plan to:

- *link sustainability activities with your school's teaching and learning program*
- *build a greater sense of community, through students, teachers, support staff, parents and community members planning and taking action together*
- *make financial savings, for example through the Department of Education's energy saving incentives for government schools*
- *track the school's progress using the Schools Environmental Tracking System (SETS) data base*
- *allow for celebration of your sustainability achievements*

Become an AuSSI School and...

- *integrate educating for sustainability (EFS) with the Tasmanian curriculum*
- *develop sustainability teaching and learning resources*
- *participate in addressing the challenges of climate change*
- *build community online networks*
- *build networks with people and organisations*
- *apply for sustainability grants, awards and funding*
- *showcase and share AuSSI-Tas stories*
- *support the Department of Education's Energy Saving Guide for all government schools*

Register your interest at:

www.education.tas.gov.au/curriculum/sustainable