



Education Partnership

ERA

Partnership overview

In 2009, Energy Resources of Australia Ltd (ERA) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Northern Territory Department of Education and Training (DET), to help improve the region's education system.

The partnership reinforces ERA's long term commitment to building positive lasting social outcomes for the region in which it operates.

Objectives

- Provide students from Jabiru, Gunbalanya and the surrounding region greater education opportunities and access to important pathways for future career options and training
- Increase awareness about the careers that are available in a modern mining company
- Improve education outcomes to ensure students are ready for employment, higher education or further training
- Reward and foster good behaviour and commitment to allow opportunities for life after school

2011 desired outcomes

Support students who are making key schooling decisions during 2011 and 2012

- Year 10 students making senior year subject choices
- Year 8 & 9 students forming ideas about their futures.

ERA and WAC develop resources and arrangements as the foundation for the future expanded arrangements

- Career information
- Curriculum adjustments to maximise the benefits for students of on-site experience
- Integration of ERA resources / skills into schooling (e.g. health and safety at school)

Maintenance and expansion of existing successful arrangements

- School-based apprenticeships

Deeper relationships

- ERA and WAC (organisationally and individually)
- Engagement with families and community

Reinforce the importance of learning

- Awards
- Priority of WAC-ERA partnership to both organisations

2011 Activities

Focus on Years 7 - 10

- Assist students' decisions about employment / learning
- Identifying future pathways to employment with ERA.
- Profile the cohorts career and learning ambitions / aspirations

ERA development of new career advice materials

- Generate awareness of the breadth of ERA roles
- Develop Engaging career information for websites etc

Year 11 preparation based on Personal Learning Plans (PLP)

- Effective learning opportunities for year 11 & 12 students into the future
- Joint WAC/ERA planning to ensure quality pathways for Year 11 students in 2012
- Ensure attention for aspirations of young women

Career talks, Expos and presentations

- Presence at key career expos
- Interesting talks and information to suit student audience

Engagement with families

- Develop interest and involvement of families around young peoples' future directions

Year 9 work experience

- Create awareness
- Build readiness
- Offer experience
- Enable development of integrated learning frameworks in ERA and WAC
- Encourage development of integrated learning frameworks by WAC

Safety / OH&S presentations for Year 7 & 8

- Lead up for work experience preparation for Year 9
- ERA presentation as part of Studies of Society and Environment
- Launch safety awards

School based Apprenticeship and Apprenticeships

- Effective pathways for students

Awards

- To reinforce the importance of education and high personal achievement

