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Making an informed choice

The Victorian Registration and Qualifications Authority (VRQA) today announces new online access to the state register of schools, training and higher education providers and qualifications delivered in Victoria.

For the first time, parents and learners can go to one online destination to search for information about education and training across all sectors including government, catholic and independent schools, TAFE institutes and other providers of training and higher education across Victoria.

Lynn Glover, Director of the VRQA, said the on-line search is user-friendly.

“For example, a parent looking for the most suitable school in their local area, need only type in their postcode to see a list of schools in their neighbourhood.” Ms Glover said.

“A click on a school’s name will show them a map, while further links will lead to information about the size of the school, the subjects offered, and the school’s student attendance, achievements and destinations -- all in their annual report.”

Parents can start their school search with the VRQA’s register and continue their enquiries by contacting the schools themselves for more information to help them make their choice.

Students thinking ahead will find information about providers in all sectors -- vocational education and training and higher education. The register also shows the accredited qualifications offered by each provider.

The state register is a valuable source of information for anyone choosing a provider or looking for a qualification.

The information parents and learners will see is up-to-date because the register is updated constantly as the VRQA carries out its quality-assurance work.

“It’s about providing parents and learners with access to information to help them make informed choices, whatever stage they are at in their education and training.” Ms Glover said.

The new on-line search can be found on the VRQA’s website: www.vrqa.vic.gov.au

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