

2026 PRE-SERVICE TEACHER CONFERENCE



700 Students attended



10 Sponsors



36 Exhibitors



44 Workshops



\$15,850

Sponsorship &
Exhibition Income

\$15,500

Cash Investment
from the School

STUDENT FEEDBACK

“

It was fantastic. I loved everything about today's event.

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The event was very well organised. For future conferences, it would be great to include more interactive activities and allow a little more time for questions and networking.

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Everything was good - just have it before placement, it would have been much more beneficial.

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OVERALL STUDENT SATISFACTION RATES



97% Overall satisfied

95% were satisfied with the relevance of the content

92% were satisfied with the information and resources provided

97% were satisfied with the quality of conference speakers

97% were satisfied with the organisation of the conference



MOST VALUABLE BREAKOUT SESSIONS

SECONDARY

- Classroom / Behaviour Management
- Thriving Not Just Surviving
- AI / The Next Word / Digital Literacies

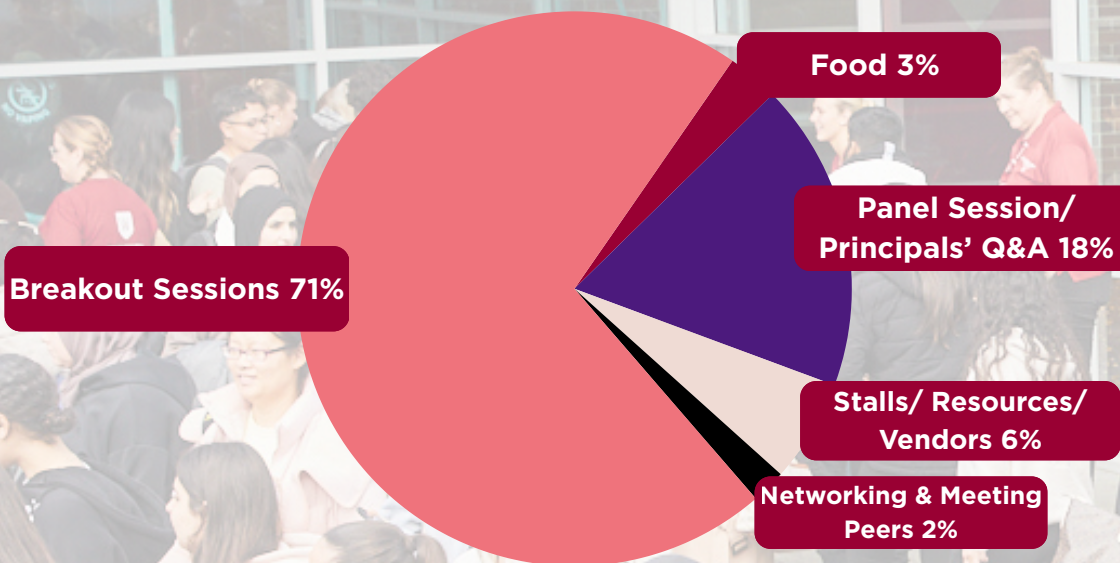
PRIMARY

- EAL/D Sessions
- Student Wellbeing & Trauma-Informed Practice
- TPA-Focused Sessions

EARLY CHILDHOOD

- Child Safety / Child Protection
- Inclusive Practices / Embedding Inclusion
- Aboriginal Perspectives / Culture

VALUABLE PARTS OF THE CONFERENCE



EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

- Students rated the conference as high-quality, relevant, and professionally valuable, with strong satisfaction across all measures.
- Breakout sessions were the standout feature, consistently praised for being practical, engaging, and directly useful for placement.
- The most valued sessions included Classroom/Behaviour Management, Thriving Not Just Surviving, AI/ The Next Word, EAL/D, and Inclusive Education.
- Students highlighted the value of real classroom strategies, TPA clarity, and hands-on demonstrations that supported their teaching practice.
- Many appreciated the chance to access resources, hearing from experienced educators and connecting with their peers across disciplines.
- Overall, students described the event as well organised, informative, and enriching, with strong praise for the learning experience.

FUTURE EVENT IMPROVEMENTS



Students recommended a shorter, more streamlined day with greater interactivity and hands-on learning. They requested clearer organisation, improved room management, and more time to move between sessions. Additional suggestions included expanding session choice, enhancing catering and dietary clarity, reducing sponsor content, improving maps and directions, offering more career information, and providing stronger support for international students. Students also suggested holding the event before placement, increasing breakout workshop time, and improving transport and parking options.

THANK YOU TO OUR STALL HOLDERS & PRESENTERS



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44 Workshops

FEEDBACK FROM STALL HOLDERS & PRESENTERS

“
 Fantastic work, seamless, well run, and easy to participate in.
 ”

“
 We had a fantastic time and believe WSU is doing an amazing job.
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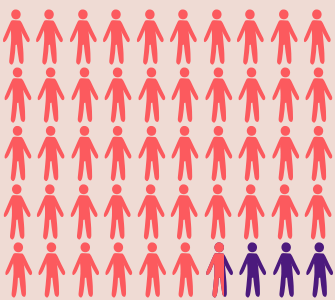
“
 You all do an incredible job... I can clearly see the value students receive.
 ”



STALL HOLDERS & PRESENTERS SATISFACTION RATES



96.8% Overall satisfied



93.3% Engagement with attendees



100% Interest in returning in 2027



THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS

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Western Sydney University extends its thanks to our event sponsors for their generous support of the 2026 PST Conference. Your contribution played a vital role in delivering an event that was deeply valued by students, staff, and partners. The outcomes highlighted throughout this report were made possible because of your support and sponsorship.

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