



**Easy English**

**Young People Inclusion Plan  
2021 - 2023**



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The V.E.C. respects the Aboriginal people of Victoria.



This information is from the Victorian Electoral Commission.

We write V.E.C. when we talk about us.



This plan is for and about young people across Victoria. We will write **'Young People'** when we talk about them.



We will form a group to help us do our work.

They will be called the **Young People Advisory Group**.

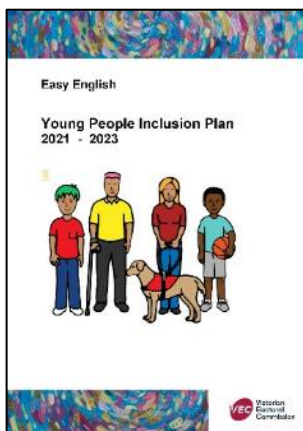


## From the Electoral Commissioner

Warwick Gately, AM

He is the boss of the V.E.C.

He is called the Electoral Commissioner.



This is our plan to be better at our work with young people.

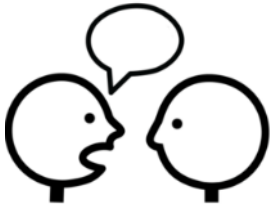


We have worked with young people before

**but**



we can do more.



We talked to different young people groups in the community and people who work at the VEC.

This plan helps us



- work more closely with young people

**and**



- work out what we can do better
  - for young people in their communities
  - for young people at the V.E.C.



## About the V.E.C.



The V.E.C. runs

- the Victorian State elections
- the local council elections.



### What we say about people who speak to us about voting

The V.E.C. includes everyone. The V.E.C.

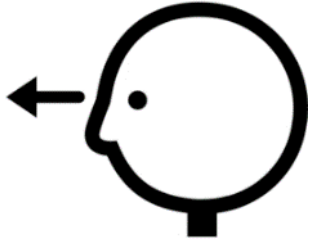
- is independent
- is fair
- tells us all what they do.



The V.E.C.

- respects everyone in the community
- uses new ideas to make things better.

The V.E.C. is **not** part of the government.



## Things we have done

The V.E.C. has done lots of work with young people like



- the Passport to Democracy Program for students in grade **4** to year **10**

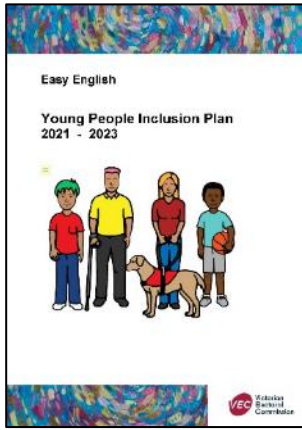


- the Partner Up program for students in year **11** and **12**



- the Victorian Student Representative Council and YMCA Victoria.





## About this plan

We talked about this plan with



- young people in the community
- V.E.C. staff



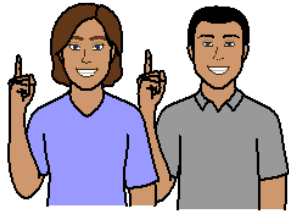
- staff from other places



We will do a big review of this plan in **2023**.

This is in **2** and a half years.

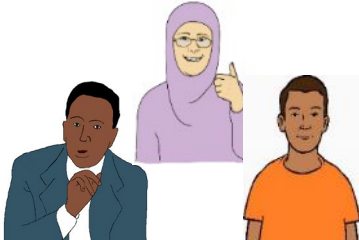




## We want more people to know how to vote like



- young people



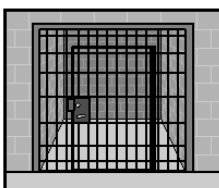
- people from many cultures



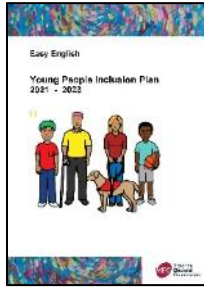
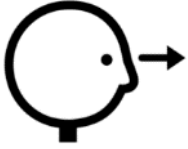
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples



- people who do **not** have a home



- people in prisons.



## The plan

This plan is for 2021 to 2023.

## This plan is about



1. Access.



2. The people who work for us.



3. Working together in the community.



4. Staff skills. Be the best we can.

# 1. Access



- a. We will make a group called the **Young People Advisory Group** and meet more than **2** times a year.



- b. We will ask young people to help with our social media.



- c. We will teach young people who are not at school about voting.



- d. We will think of young people when we plan places to vote.



## 2. The people who work for us



a. We will have **more** young people work at the V.E.C.



b. We will have young people work at the next State election.



c. We will have a special team of young people called Democracy Ambassadors teach young people about voting before the State election.



### 3. Working together in the community



a. We will help groups that work with young people.



b. We will help teams of young people.



c. We will find new people in the community who support young people and help them too.



d. We will make sure the Passport to Democracy Program is taught to lots of different young people in Victoria.

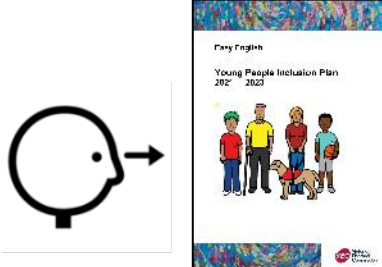


e. We will work with teachers, so they know more about the Passport to Democracy Program.

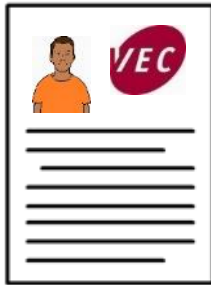


## 4. Staff skills.

### Be the best we can be



a. We will hire a young person to help with our plan to be better at our work with young people.



b. We will ask young people to help us when we make new plans and lessons.



c. We will teach V.E.C. staff about working with lots of different people.



## Reports



We will tell the Young People Advisory Group what we have done.



We write a report about this plan each year.



This report will be part of the V.E.C. big report each year. It is called the **V.E.C. Annual Report.**



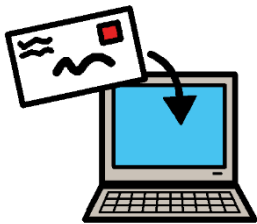
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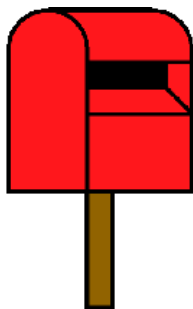


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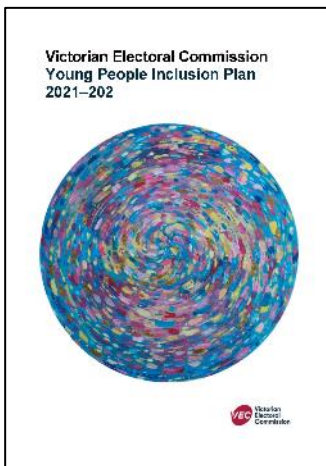


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