



# GRIP LEADERSHIP

## GRIP STUDENT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Dear Staff Member,

Thank you for registering the student leaders of your school to attend the SECONDARY GRIP Student Leadership Conference in **Newcastle on the 1<sup>st</sup> of November 2023**.

### **VENUE AND PARKING**

The conference is being held at 'Newcastle City Hall'. This is located on King Street, Newcastle. There are a number of parking options surrounding Newcastle City Hall: Civic West Parking Station on Gibson Street, parking on King Street, Auckland Street and Hunter Street, and the Library Car Park off Darby Street. Please note that parking charges may apply. Once you arrive at the venue, please proceed to the **CONCERT HALL. You will not receive paper tickets for this event.**

### **START AND FINISH TIMES**

**Please arrive with your students between 8:30am and 8:55am.** The first session will begin at 9:00am. The final session will conclude at 2:30pm.

### **SEATING AND SPECIAL NEEDS**

Seating is by general admission. Please advise in advance if you are bringing participants with special seating needs (please also see [www.gripleadership.com/inclusion](http://www.gripleadership.com/inclusion)).

### **STUDENTS SENSITIVE TO NOISE**

Schools love the upbeat nature of our conference. Part of creating this atmosphere includes some activities that will be loud. We have strategies to care for attendees who might find this challenging. Please read about these in advance by clicking on the inclusion link in the paragraph above.

### **CATERING IS NOT PROVIDED**

Students and adults are required to bring their own packed morning tea, lunch, and a drink. Sometimes there is a nearby location where food and drinks are sold, but the conference breaks are not long enough for everybody to venture to these. We also have no control over whether these outlets will be open on the day, and what their arrangements will be.

### **WHAT TO BRING**

- A **PEN** (a notebook will be provided)
- Food** as indicated above

### **PRACTICAL ELECTIVE WORKSHOPS**

These do not need to be pre-selected; however, we encourage you to discuss these with your student leaders to suggest particular electives you may wish for them to attend. These are listed on our website [www.gripleadership.com.au/secondary-program](http://www.gripleadership.com.au/secondary-program).

### **RESOURCES**

A number of resources for students and staff (including the GRIP Leadership Badges) will be available for purchase on the day of the conference. New resources are released every year!

### **DRESS**

The standard of dress for students at this conference is entirely a decision of the school. However, we normally find that the great majority of students attend in normal school uniform.



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### **PRIVACY**

GRIP Leadership may take images and recordings at the GRIP Student Leadership Conference that may be used for advertising purposes. For full details of our Privacy Policy please visit [www.gripleadership.com.au/privacy-policy](http://www.gripleadership.com.au/privacy-policy).

### **SAFETY**

To download safety information and a risk assessment visit [www.gripleadership.com.au/our-safety](http://www.gripleadership.com.au/our-safety).

### **MAKING CHANGES TO YOUR NUMBERS**

This is easy. To **increase your numbers**, go online and make a separate registration for the additional places required. Our system will automatically match it up with your original group and we will know that you are attending together. To **reduce your numbers**, we need notification in writing sent to [registrations@gripleadership.com.au](mailto:registrations@gripleadership.com.au) outlining the change required. There is no penalty if you reduce or cancel tickets more than 14 days prior to the event. Refunds are not possible if the change is made within 14 days of the event.

### **PAYMENTS AND INVOICES**

Our payment policy is detailed on the invoice you received. You can request a duplicate copy by emailing [accounts@gripleadership.com.au](mailto:accounts@gripleadership.com.au).

We look forward to meeting you and your students for what promises to be a fantastic day. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any further enquiries.

Warm Regards,

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Conference Coordinator