

Schools Reconciliation Challenge

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What is the Schools Reconciliation Challenge?

ABOUT THE CHALLENGE

- SRC is an annual **Art and Writing Competition**
- Run by Reconciliation NSW
- Inspired by a **yearly theme** about Reconciliation
- Students can submit artworks and written pieces individually or with the whole class
- Every Submission will get a Certificate of Participation, Finalist artists and schools gain prizes and are **exhibited publicly**



Why join the Challenge?

BENEFITS FOR SCHOOLS & STUDENTS

- **Deepens understanding** of First Nations cultures and history
- Fosters **respect, empathy, and inclusion**
- Encourages **creativity and critical thinking**
- Supports **curriculum outcomes**
- Offers a **platform** for student voices
- Chance for **public recognition** through exhibitions



Who can enter?

PARTICIPATION DETAILS

- Students in **Years 3–10**
- Schools from **NSW and ACT**
- **Individual** and **class submissions** welcome
- Artworks: **any** visual medium
- Writing: **stories, essays, poetry**



Support for Teachers

RESSOURCES AVAILABLE

- **Lesson plans** for each stages developed with educational partners
- **Classroom activities** tailored to the theme
- **Guidance** for culturally competent teaching
- Reconciliation **Education Kit**
- Acknowledgement of Country and other **cultural guides**





Join the Movement

HOW TO TAKE PART

- **Register** via SRC website
- Use lesson plans and resources to **explore** the theme
- **Create** artworks and written pieces
- **Write** Artist Statement or Writer's Reflection
- **Submit** entries online before the deadline via upload link on our website

Key Dates 2025

Challenge opens:
July 2025

Entries due:
12 September 2025

Judging period:
September–October 2025

Finalists announced:
November 2025

2025 Theme

FEEDING CONNECTION: LEARNING FROM COUNTRY

First Nations peoples have cared for Country, for tens of thousands of years through sophisticated agricultural systems that align with the natural rhythms of the environment.

At its heart lies the understanding that the land is not just a resource but a living, breathing entity, Country, that teaches, nourishes, and connects us all.

[Learn more about the theme](#)



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Further Questions?

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