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Question

AUSTRALIAN BACCALAUREATE - VOLUNTARY SENIOR SCHOOL QUALIFICATION

The Government has indicated the intention that the Australian Baccalaureate be a voluntary senior school qualification. Given this will individual students or schools have to pay extra to attain this credential?

Answer

Implementation details of the Australian Baccalaureate are under consideration.

The introduction of the Australian Baccalaureate will follow the implementation of phase one of the Australian Curriculum subjects in the senior secondary years, commencing in 2015 or 2016.