

# 2016 ASG National Excellence in Teaching Awards

## State and Territory Award Recipient

### Catherine Jeffery

Inverell High School  
Inverell, New South Wales

Catherine's 2015 Higher School Certificate (HSC) Aboriginal Studies class placed second in the State overall. She is also a respected Aboriginal Studies and Geography teacher at junior level, and is renowned for her efforts to help students transition from Year 10 to the more challenging HSC. Catherine's senior students have particularly benefitted from her Assessment Scaffold program, which helps them break assessments down into a series of simpler tasks.

In addition to her academic success, Catherine is also committed to her small country school community. She is Year 12 Advisor, and is heavily involved in the Schools Spectacular, assisting students from fundraising to rehearsals and onto final performance. This is in addition to her support for school-based concerts, music and dance groups.

Known as a supportive teacher who goes above and beyond for her students, Catherine also organises career meetings and builds links with the local community in order to help students plan their futures. Catherine is committed to using education as a means of breaking the cycle of unemployment and underemployment, and empower her students to dream big.

Position	Other responsibilities	Category	Subjects/level taught	Years teaching
Teacher	Year 12 Advisor	Secondary	Geography - junior Aboriginal Studies – junior and senior	10
Years at this school/centre	School type	Nominated by	Town/suburb	State and postcode
10	Public	Inverell High School P&C Association	Inverell	NSW, 2360

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