

# 2016 ASG National Excellence in Teaching Awards

## State and Territory Award Recipient

### Mark Anderson

Koonung Secondary College  
Mont Albert North, Victoria

Mark's background as a youth worker is evident in his approachable manner and natural connection with his students, which enables them to achieve optimal academic results, and individual growth.

A dedicated Psychology, Humanities and Business Management teacher, Mark's primary focus is on making learning as practical and relatable to real life as possible. He strives to engage and maintain his students' interest, through programs such as a Market Day where students are set the task of running a profitable business, with their fellow students as the customer base and while in competition with each other, and live demonstrations for business management and psychology classes.

Mark is also committed to the wider school environment through initiatives such as the World Challenge, ensuring his students are safe and engaged while on overseas trips; and school productions, where he is actively involved as a leader and mentor. Involvement in the school musical has also helped improve outcomes for many students struggling academically and with poor school attendance.

Mark also encourages students participating in World Challenge expeditions to lead and undertake fundraising and contribute to preparations for the trip.

Position	Other responsibilities	Category	Subjects/level taught	Years teaching
Teacher		Secondary	Psychology, Humanities & Business Management	8
	School type	Nominated by	Town/suburb	State and postcode
7	Public	Parent	Mont Albert North	VIC, 3104

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