

## ResourceSmart Schools of the Future Challenge and Competition activity brief

The ResourceSmart Schools of the Future Challenge 2021 (the Challenge), is a fun, educational activity available to all Victorian schools and suitable for all levels P – 12 and Sustainability Teams. The Challenge is a guided resource designed to be run by classroom teachers, the school's sustainability coordinators, or other school staff/volunteers.

The Challenge will assist students to envision their future and creatively capture their ideas while they work together creating and sharing their visions for a sustainable future.

The ResourceSmart Schools of the Future Competition (the Competition) can be entered after completing the Challenge and is an opportunity only available to active Resource Smart Schools. The Competition has 15 \$1,000 prizes where entrants go into a draw for a chance to win.

Only active ResourceSmart Schools are eligible to participate in the Competition component. An active ResourceSmart School means that the school has logged on since July 1 2020 and marked an action as complete or added a comment to a module action or entered a bill or updated the annual school settings.

The information below may help RSS Delivery Partners to assist schools who are not currently active. To become active, schools can update their settings and then by undertaking the Challenge and entering the Competition they can link the activity to module progression

The Challenge is available ongoing

The Competition opens 27 April and closes 3 June 2021

Winners announced late June 2021

Webpage [link](#)

Competition Entry [Portal](#)

## Linking RSS module actions to assist schools to complete the ResourceSmart Schools of the Future Challenge and Competition

Below are actions in the ResourceSmart Schools modules that may relate to school's entries

**If the entry relates to the Biodiversity Module check out the following actions:**

A2 - Development and planning. Action A2.4

C2 - Student and parent leadership. Action C2.1, C2.2, C2.3

C3 - Community and communication links. Action C3.3 C3.10

**If the entry relates to the Waste Module check out the following actions:**

C2 - Student and parent leadership. Action C2.1, C2.3

C3 - Community and communications links. Action C3.8, C3.9

**If the entry relates to the Energy Module check out the following actions:**

C1 - Policy and reporting. Action C1.2,

C2 - Student and parent leadership. Action C2.2, and C2.3

C3 - Community and communications links. Action C3.8

**If the entry relates to the Water Module check out the following actions:**

A2 - Preparation and planning. Action A2.3

C2 - Student and parent leadership. Action C2.1, C2.2, C2.3

C3 - Community and communication links. Action C3.8, C3.9

**If the entry relates to the Core Module check out the following actions:**

**Action A1.7** Has the school developed a School Environmental Management Plan (SEMP) with goals and targets?

Note: This activity will not satisfy the need to complete the SEMP but will assist in creating an action plan that contributes to its completion.

**Action A1.9** Has the school included sustainability in at least one of the following: school plan; whole school policy statement; whole school scope and sequence chart; curriculum plan or similar?

Note: This activity will not satisfy the need to include sustainability in the school's plans but help to provide evidence that the plan is being implemented.

**Action B1.4** Has the school developed a strategy or plan for involving students in leadership roles e.g. student action teams, environmental clubs, student democracy, governance or committees?

Note: Participating in this Challenge does not replace the need for a strategy or plan but does help to provide evidence of an active student action team.

**Action C1.5** Is the school's commitment to sustainability promoted to the wider school community and other schools?

By completing the entry to the ResourceSmart Schools of the Future Competition SV will promote and celebrate all eligible entries across the RSS network.