## **Media Release**

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## ROOT-AND-BRANCH REVIEW ORDERED INTO THE VCAA

Following the revelations in relation to VCE exams, the Minister for Education has ordered a root-and-branch review of the Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority (VCAA).

The Victorian Government will also install an independent monitor to oversee next year's exams.

The VCAA will undergo a full external review of its structure and operations, to provide full confidence to Victorian students, families and schools.

The Labor Government accepted all recommendations of the 2024 Independent Review chaired by Dr John Bennett, however it is clear that there are ongoing issues relating to the production and distribution of exams.

A team of external reviewers will be appointed to examine all elements of the VCAA's operating model. In addition, an independent monitor will work with and provide guidance to the VCAA, and advise the Government of the VCAA's role regarding exam preparation, management and production.

A person of appropriate standing and expertise will be appointed to commence in the role early in 2025.

Terms of reference will be developed to outline the monitor's roles and responsibilities.

## **Quotes attributable to Deputy Premier and Minister for Education Ben Carroll**

"Students deserve better. It is clear to me that some students have been let down as a result of these errors and that is completely unacceptable."

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