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Private training delivering for SA students

Students from private training providers are strongly represented in the field of finalists in the SA Training Awards announced this week.

Australian Council for Private Education and Training CEO Rod Camm congratulated the students on their achievements.

“Private training students and teachers represented half of all finalists in the individual award categories. All trainee finalists and three of the four finalists in the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander (ATSI) category studied with private training providers. Half of the VET teachers/trainers nominated were also from private providers,” he said.

“These results are further evidence of the quality outcomes that private training providers deliver for their students and ultimately for employers and SA.”

Figures released by the National Centre for Vocational Education Research this week found that SA experienced the highest percentage reduction in students participating in government-funded training in Australia over the last year.

“Recent decisions by the State Government have compromised student choice, young people’s training opportunities and VET sector jobs in SA,” he said.

“Despite this uneven playing field, it is very clear that students are still choosing private providers who are effectively delivering high quality training outcomes.

“We urge the South Australian Government to reinvest in a contestable training sector that offers choice and flexibility for more SA students.”

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