

Local opportunities

Mining, exploration and geoscience sector



Regional NSW

PRIME (Pathways to Resource Industry and Mining Employment)

On 12 February 2020, Regional Development Australia (RDA) Hunter and NSW Minerals Council (NSWMC) launched their new partnership, PRIME (Pathways to Resource Industry and Mining Employment).

PRIME is a two-year partnership to increase awareness of the NSW mining industry and its career opportunities. The collaboration will assist Hunter secondary school students better appreciate how science, maths and geography subject matter applies across the lifecycle of a mine, and the types of skills and jobs that are required to support a mining operation. The project will include the implementation of mining-specific content, scenario-based learning activities and real-world problem solving in the classroom.

This year the PRIME partnership will see 20 participating Hunter high schools receive 2 x Oculus VR sets and programs to give students a 'real' mining industry experience; lesson plans pertaining to the lifecycle of a mine; real-world industry challenges set by the mining industry for resolution by student teams; and teacher professional development sessions.

An additional 15 Hunter schools will join the program in 2021.

For more information visit

 $\underline{rdahunter.org.au/news/nsw-minerals-council-and-regional-development-australia-hunter-launch-new-partnership-to-build-awareness-of-mining-sector-career-opportunities/$

