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School Students in Adelaide's South to Benefit from Labor's National Trade Cadetships

The Gillard Labor Government has announced another initiative to further boost opportunities for our future electricians, carpenters and tradies.

Amanda Rishworth MP, Federal Member for Kingston welcomed the Prime Minister's announcement of new work experience places for school students participating in new National Trade Cadetships in the South.

Ms Rishworth said "These National Trade Cadetships will help to ensure students from Year 9 to 12 have the skills and experience to be job-ready and start a trade.

"I understand that we need to invest now to ensure the next generation of young people in the South have the skills and training they need.

"Under Tony Abbott, four local high schools would be denied access to a joint Trade Training Centre to be constructed at nearby Mount Compass Area School- Hallett Cove School, Reynella East High School, Willunga High School and Wirreanda High School.

"I call on my opponent to come clean about whether he supports Tony Abbott's plan to axe trades training funding promised to our local high schools, and if he supports the National Trade Cadetship."

Ms Rishworth said that up to 50,000 additional work experience places will be provided and the first group of students to benefit will be those who decide to do a National Trade Cadetship in 2012.

Federal Labor will provide \$3.1 million over two years to establish the Cadetships, which will be delivered as part of the National Curriculum.

This funding will be fully offset over the forward estimates, consistent with the Gillard Labor Government's commitment to return the budget to surplus in three years.