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Dr Garry Gannell
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BIOGRAPHICAL DETAILS

Dr Garry Gannell has worked in Christian Education (in CCS/CSA schools in NSW) from 1981 to 2014. During this time, he taught secondary students, mainly in the Physical Education, Social Science, Computing areas (including a period where he was a Senior Marker of HSC Computing Studies). He was also a Deputy Principal for six years and Principal of K-12 schools for 22 years. His doctoral studies explored leadership of Christian Schools in NSW, with a specific focus on the experiences of first time principals in their first 12 months in the role. During this time, Garry also served on CCS/State Council for multiple terms, and was the inaugural Chair of what ultimately became the NSW Christian Schools Sports Association. He was also the inaugural Chair of the NSW Christian School Teacher Accreditation Committee, responsible for establishing policy and procedures leading to the Accreditation of Teachers at the levels of "Highly Accomplished" and "Lead" levels on behalf of (then) NSW BOSTES. Another significant task that this committee developed under his leadership was the development of Christian Distinctive Standards, aligned with the BOSTES/NESA Teacher Accreditation Standards.

Garry finished full time Principalship at the end of 2013 and, since then, has increased his commitment to supporting tertiary institutions and their students, mentoring emerging leaders, consulting to schools and acting as a locum for a Principal on leave for one school term.

EDUCATION

Doctor of Education (University of Wollongong, 2004)

Master of Educational Studies (College of Christian Higher Education (NICE & ICTE), 1999)

Graduate Diploma of Educational Studies (Riverina-Murray Institute of Higher Education, 1989)

Bachelor of Education (University of Wollongong, 1987)

Diploma of Personal Development, Health and Physical Education (University of Wollongong, 1981)

Certificate in Theology (Moore Theological College, 1993)

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS;

BOOK CHAPTERS

Physical and Health Education in *Better Learning: Trajectories for educators in Christian Schools*