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LOCAL SUCCESS IN RURAL AND REMOTE EARLY CHILDHOOD TEACHING SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDS

Member for Albury, Greg Aplin is pleased to congratulate the local early childhood educators awarded a rural and remote early childhood teaching scholarship, Ms Jayde Bremmer at Springdale Heights Preschool and Jasmine Allen at Carcoola Children's Centre to commence in 2018/19.

Minister for Early Childhood Education Sarah Mitchell has announced the successful applicants, who will increase the numbers of degree qualified teaching staff in early childhood education and care services in rural and remote areas.

Mr Aplin said it is a great opportunity for local educators to receive up to \$10,000 in funding to help with the costs of study, making it easier for more people to boost their qualification to a four-year bachelor's degree.

"These scholarships support early childhood educators working in regional, rural and remote areas, outside of the big cities," said Mr Aplin.

"I congratulate our local candidates who have been successful and I wish them well in their studies.

"It's great news for families and for our local community."

Minister Mitchell said the scholarship program helps ensure rural and remote areas have a sustainable highly qualified early childhood workforce into the future.

"More educators with degree qualifications gives more children access to the benefits of qualified teachers in their local service," Mrs Mitchell said.

"I congratulate the new group of scholars and strongly encourage local people to pass on their support to any scholarship recipients in their local areas."

For more information on the scholarships and how to apply, visit the Department of Education website at <http://www.dec.nsw.gov.au/what-we-offer/regulation-and-accreditation/early-childhood-education-care/scholarships>

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