

Child Development Council – Charter Summit 2019 - Transcript

Children and Young People’s Charter Summit, June 2019:

The Child Development Council was set up in 2018 to develop an Outcomes Framework and Charter for Children and Young People in South Australia.

The Outcomes Framework will be a way of telling how young South Australians are doing.

The Charter will represent a shared commitment and set out the conditions for every child or young person in South Australia to thrive.

The Council invited up to 147 children and young people (5-18 years) to attend a summit at the Adelaide Zoo to identify what matters to them in terms of health, safety, wellbeing, education and citizenship and to say what having a good life is all about.

Their opinions and advice will inform the writing of the Charter for Children and Young People.

Children and young people enter the venue and take part in activities. The Minister for Education, the Hon John Gardner chats with young people.

Becky Hirst (facilitator):

‘You. You are the experts in being children and young people, right here, right now!’

Children and young people seated at tables. A young Aboriginal girl sings. The Minister for Education addresses the children and young people.

Artists make drawings of what the children and young people are talking about.

Children and young people talk together and write down their thoughts on the topics of health, safety, wellbeing, education and citizenship.

Messages are added to the ‘Wall’ and forest of trees.

Children and young people talk about what is important to them, meet animals from the zoo, play games and meet the Commissioner for Children and Young People, Helen Connolly.

Children and young people write postcards to the Minister for Education.

Credits.

Young boy:

Well it’s been a good day so far. I’ve enjoyed working with other schools and I’ve made a few new friends. Yeah, I’ve enjoyed it.

Young girl 1:

It’s been interesting to see other people’s views and opinions on certain topics.

Young girl 2:

It’s been fun because you’re learning but you’re learning in a fun way.

Young girl 3:

We hope to be able to come back and have these amazing opportunities again, in high school and in further life. Thank you.

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