

ASX Market Release

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Appointment of John Eales AM as Independent Non-Executive Director

EDU Holdings Limited (**EDU, the Company or the Group**), a leading Australian tertiary education group, is pleased to announce the appointment of John Eales AM as an Independent Non-Executive Director of the Company, effective 1 September 2026.

The appointment follows an independent search process led by specialist board advisory firm Hattonneale.

Mr Eales brings more than two decades of board, governance and growth leadership experience across listed, private and founder-led businesses. He is currently a Non-Executive Director of Magellan Financial Group and Flight Centre Travel Group, and Chair of Trajan Group Holdings.

Drawing on a unique career spanning business, sport, investment and high-performance leadership, John has built a track record of successful directorships and advisory roles across sectors including technology, professional services, healthcare, logistics, education and financial services.

In 2003, John founded Mettle Group, a leadership and culture consultancy, later acquired by ASX-listed Chandler Macleod in 2007. He has been actively involved in numerous businesses from start-up through to mature enterprise, supporting growth strategies, acquisitions, governance frameworks and capital market transactions, including as a Director and investor in Palladium Group, Executive Health Solutions and QM Technologies.

Commenting on the appointment, Interim Chair Peter Mobbs said:

"John's leadership and board experience across listed and private companies, combined with his track record of supporting businesses through periods of growth and acquisition, will strongly complement EDU's strategic objectives. We're delighted to welcome him to the Board."

John Eales AM said:

"EDU has built a strong position in tertiary education with clear momentum. I look forward to working with the Board and management to support the Company's growth and create value for shareholders."

This announcement was authorised for release by the Board of Directors of EDU Holdings Limited.

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About EDU Holdings Limited

EDU Holdings Limited (ASX: EDU) is a leading Australian tertiary education group, delivering employment-focused Higher Education and Vocational Education and Training (VET) programs in high-demand sectors.

The Company has a strong track record of profitable growth, cash generation, and disciplined capital management, and is led by an experienced management team with meaningful equity ownership.

The Group currently supports more than 7,000 domestic and international students across its national campus network and online delivery platforms. It offers entry-level certificates through to professionally accredited postgraduate degrees in Education and Human Services-related disciplines aligned with Australia's workforce needs and skilled migration priorities.

EDU's growth strategy is focused on expanding its course portfolio, campus footprint, recruitment and delivery channels, while also pursuing strategic growth opportunities.