Memorandum of Understanding between the
Better Together Alliance and GOTAFE.

All parties to this MOU have a common commitment to ensuring that the young people in Greater Shepparton have access to programs that are challenging, sustainable and that lead to further education and training.

In order to enhance the possibilities of such outcomes for young people we have:

1. Committed to joint planning and development of seamless pathways that will create opportunities for young people.
2. Committed to working across all of the Alliance Schools with GOTAFE, to develop specific programmes that will meet the needs of young people and the needs of the emerging economy in Greater Shepparton, in association with key employers, businesses and community agencies.
3. Committed to ensuring that the programs in place foster learning amongst all young people and two groups in particular, those who have evident high potential and those who at times have challenges in engaging in the study process.
4. Committed to ensuring that all possible credits between courses are factored into the career advice and accreditation of programs, thus assisting students to gain qualifications.
5. Committed to deliver a series of specific programs and opportunities that enable young people to utilise GOTAFE’s staff /resources and expertise to significantly enrich the core programs that the Alliance schools are committed to delivering.
6. Committed to create opportunities for young people to gain from the partnerships and networks that we all share, including work placement, places for research and project work.
7. Committed to utilising the experiences of all Institutions to enhance the professional development of the overall staff. This may take a range of forms, for example briefing on the needs of particular cohorts of students, utilising new methods of teaching or of new equipment. We aim to see an enhanced professional learning community amongst all our educators as a result of the MOU.
8. Committed to seek the means and opportunities to inform the public and partners of our work and progress.
Management/ Reporting

The MOU will be monitored and reported on each semester. These reports will be available to the community on respective websites.

The management team comprising representatives of each Institution will meet once as term.

A report on the work undertaken will be forwarded to the Governing Board of each institution annually.

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