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CALD

CULTURAL AND  
LINGUISTICALLY DIVERSE



# Acknowledgement of Country

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We acknowledge the custodians of the land where we meet and learn today.

We offer our respect to Elders past, present and emerging and acknowledge their deep connection to country and community.



# Learning Outcomes

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- Gain insight into what is CALD
- Consider the challenges CALD students face.
- Refine skills in supporting and guiding CALD students.



# CALD community is?

## Multiculturalism

- is different cultures or cultural identities within a unified society, as a state or nation.

## Cultural Identities

- is from our sense of belonging to a particular cultural or ethnic group.

## Diversity

Inclusion of everyone of race, colour, ethnicity, language, nationality, sexual orientation, religion and gender

## Freedom

to have equal opportunity in life, security and happiness.





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# What is Culture?

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Culture is the total way of life which includes everything that we think, say, do, act, breathe . It's attitudes, feelings, beliefs and celebrations which are learned and passed from generation to generation.

# What is Linguistically ?

Is the way that we connect with language or the study of language. The mother tongue of where an individual comes from or lives.

# What is Diversity?

Diversity is more than just tolerating differences. It is about respecting, appreciating and understanding the varying characteristics of individuals





# What are the challenges facing CALD students?

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- Learning a new language
- May feel lack of social skills
- Sense of displacement and not belonging
- Discrimination
- Trying to learn about a new country and culture
- Making friends



How can our volunteers support students, while maintaining cultural respect

### **Show interest in their background:**

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Encourage students to share information about their ethnic background, culture, their celebrations and differences in traditions, beliefs, and social behaviours.

### **Create a safe atmosphere:**

By creating a safe and nurturing environment for students this reduces their anxiety about being different and gives them a safe place to open up.

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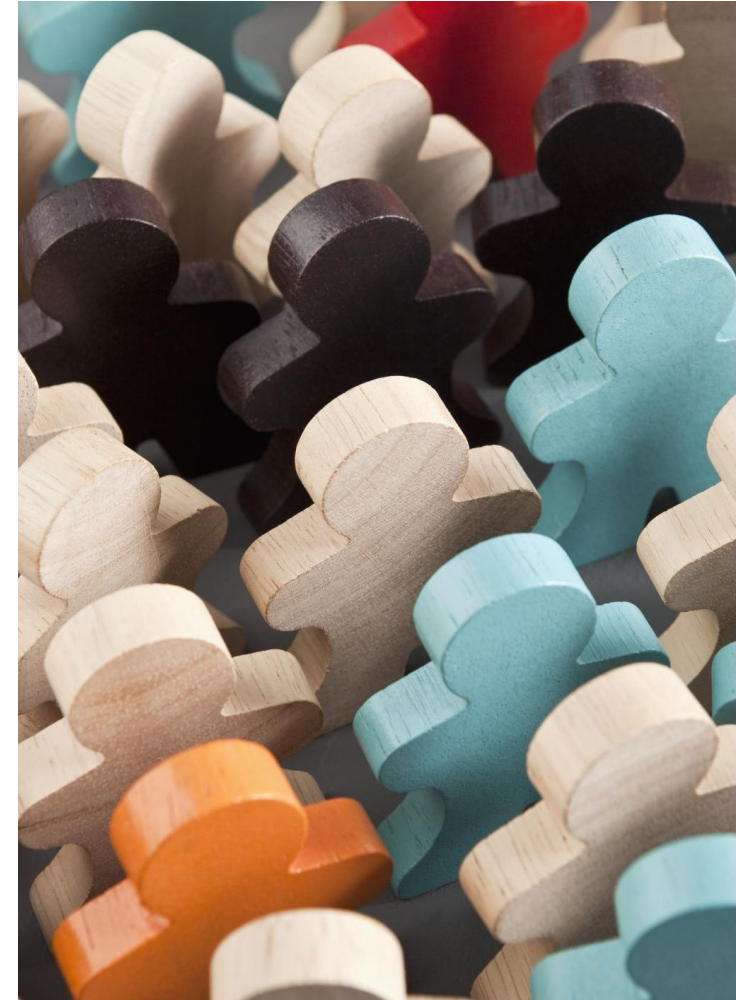
### **Sensitivity to language concerns:**

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Provide materials for non-native speakers that are tailored to their level of English fluency such as pictures with their own language. This way they are not feeling pressured to only speak English.

### **Maintain inclusive:**

This ensures that all students are included within all aspects of activities this way they feel that they are accepted for their uniqueness.





# The importance of CALD role models for CALD students

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You are the first encounter for these children/students from daycare to school and in some cases beyond to adulthood and how you treat them can play a major role in how they see the world.







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Being a role model is you willing to let your guard and prejudices down to see the students/children for who they are and not what you think they should be.

- Social Media
- Other people
- News

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Showing kindness and forming bonds/relationship with the students/children can be vital to give them a sense of security and trust.





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Showing them that you care by helping them through this difficult transition, plus giving guidance will show them you care for them as a unique individual



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