



PARLIAMENT OF NEW SOUTH WALES  
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

**FIRST SESSION OF THE FIFTY-SEVENTH PARLIAMENT**

**Community Recognition Statement**

6 May 2021

**MENTOR SUPPORT NETWORK**

**Ms SONIA HORNERY ( Wallsend ) :**

Each year, the Mentor Support Network provides educational scholarships of up to \$3,000 to eligible students to help them reach their full potential in terms of their individual educational and career goals.

The scholarships are granted to students who demonstrate the drive and determination to achieve educational goals, despite experiencing financial need.

The program has been in operation since 2002 and since then, 290 scholarships, totalling more than \$550,000 have been awarded to students right across the Hunter.

A total of 37 Hunter students were honoured recently at the annual Mentor Support Network scholarship presentation at the Newcastle Harness Racing Club.

A number of students across the Wallsend electorate received scholarships including: Ruby Young, Roze Kara Yousef, Rand Kara Yousef and Arman Zolfaghari from Callaghan Campus Jesmond. Daniel Carr, Cameron Gould, Rory Hughes and Aleks Kostyra from Callaghan Campus Wallsend. Coumba Ba, Wilona Curk, Yenework Demelash, Toryalai Mohammad and Helene Fungulo Regine from Callaghan College Waratah.

Thank you to Mentor Support Network Chair, Shayne Connell and former Chair Jon Chin for their dedication to our community by assisting young people achieve their education and career goals.