

## Hon Steven Marshall MP

Premier

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### **Jobs for SA's future generations showcased on International Youth Day**

Premier Steven Marshall and students from Le Fevre High School's specialist Maritime program have joined representatives from Australian Naval Infrastructure, the Naval Shipbuilding College, ASC and BAE, to look at the incredible defence job opportunities being presented to future generations, through the Future Frigates and Attack Class submarines.

The \$35 billion Future Frigates build, and the \$50 billion Attack Class Submarines, will create thousands of ongoing jobs for decades to come, with the programs requiring collaboration across government, academia and industry.

The visit to the Osborne Naval Shipyard coincided with International Youth Day, and gave the students from Le Fevre High School's Maritime program the opportunity to gain an understanding of the jobs available to them right here in South Australia's defence industry.

Premier Steven Marshall said the state's defence sector is developing at a rapid rate, and it's critical that young people are aware of the incredible job opportunities on offer.

"South Australia is the Defence State, and the growth we're seeing as a result of the massive investment from the Federal Government means there will be jobs for our young people for decades to come," said the Premier.

"There is going to be an ongoing demand for a skilled workforce at Osborne, and we need to make sure young South Australians have access to the pathways which allow them to exploit these possibilities.

"Osborne brings together companies such as BAE, ASC and Naval Group, demonstrating national and international collaboration, and bolstering our reputation as the centre of Australia's defence industry.

"We're also seeing rapid growth across the space and cyber sectors in our state, which presents really exciting opportunities for collaboration with defence in future years."

Naval Shipbuilding College Program Director, Bill Docalovich said the unprecedented upgrade of the Royal Australian Navy's fleet is taking a national approach with investment in the future skilled workforce.



“There are opportunities throughout Australia for meaningful careers in areas of production and sustainment across the National Naval Shipbuilding Enterprise; and through our course endorsement process we’re helping students to graduate job-ready,” said Mr Docalovich.

“Through collaboration with education and training providers in every state and territory we are strengthening student pathways into rewarding, long-term, sustainable shipbuilding careers.”