



LEARN

Learn more about the benefits of establishing a Dads Group at <https://thefatheringproject.org/dads/>



TALK

Start a conversation within your school, workplace or community group to gauge interest in the development of a Dads Group. This conversation should involve a decision maker – a school principal, appropriate manager or committee representative.



IDENTIFY

Identify someone or a group of people who will take the steps below, liaising between your school or organisation and with Fathers and Father figures to get your group up and running. This person/people may be a Father, Father figure, or an administrator / employee at your organisation.



IDENTIFY

At this stage, if you or anyone you reach is willing to step into a Group Leader role, record their details so you can list them as a “potential leader” when you Start the Group. If no leaders are able to be identified at this point, but the interest is there, you can still Start the Group and The Fathering Project will assist you to grow interest.



TALK

Arrange a conversation between yourself, The Fathering Project and an appropriate manager or committee representative to discuss the mechanics and implications of starting a Dads Group. Contact The Fathering Project at admin@thefatheringproject.org or on 1800 328 487.



ENDORSE

Secure a formal endorsement from an appropriate body within your organisation. e.g. Principal, Board or Management.



REGISTER

Head to <https://thefatheringproject.org/schools/register-school/> fill in and submit the form.



PAY

Your organisation will receive an annual invoice from The Fathering Project for your involvement in the program.



START

Your Group will be added to The Fathering Project website. New group members can now find and join the group at thefatheringproject.org/dads-groups/find-a-group/. Group members can use the dads group portal website to connect with your Group, and get access to updates and resources posted by Group Leaders and The Fathering Project.



LAUNCH

Together we will schedule a Launch presentation at your school or organisation. This will be an organisation-wide event, to introduce the prospective Group Members to The Fathering Project, and our Dads Group program. If they're interested, keen members should head to thefatheringproject.com/dads-groups/find-a-group to officially 'join' the group.



EVENT

Your Dads Group is ready to host its first event and begin providing Fathers, Father figures and Dads with opportunities to engage effectively and meaningfully. The Fathering Project provides support, including a range of resources, tools and content to the organisation and group leaders to organise activities.

We look forward to helping your group thrive! We are here to support you!