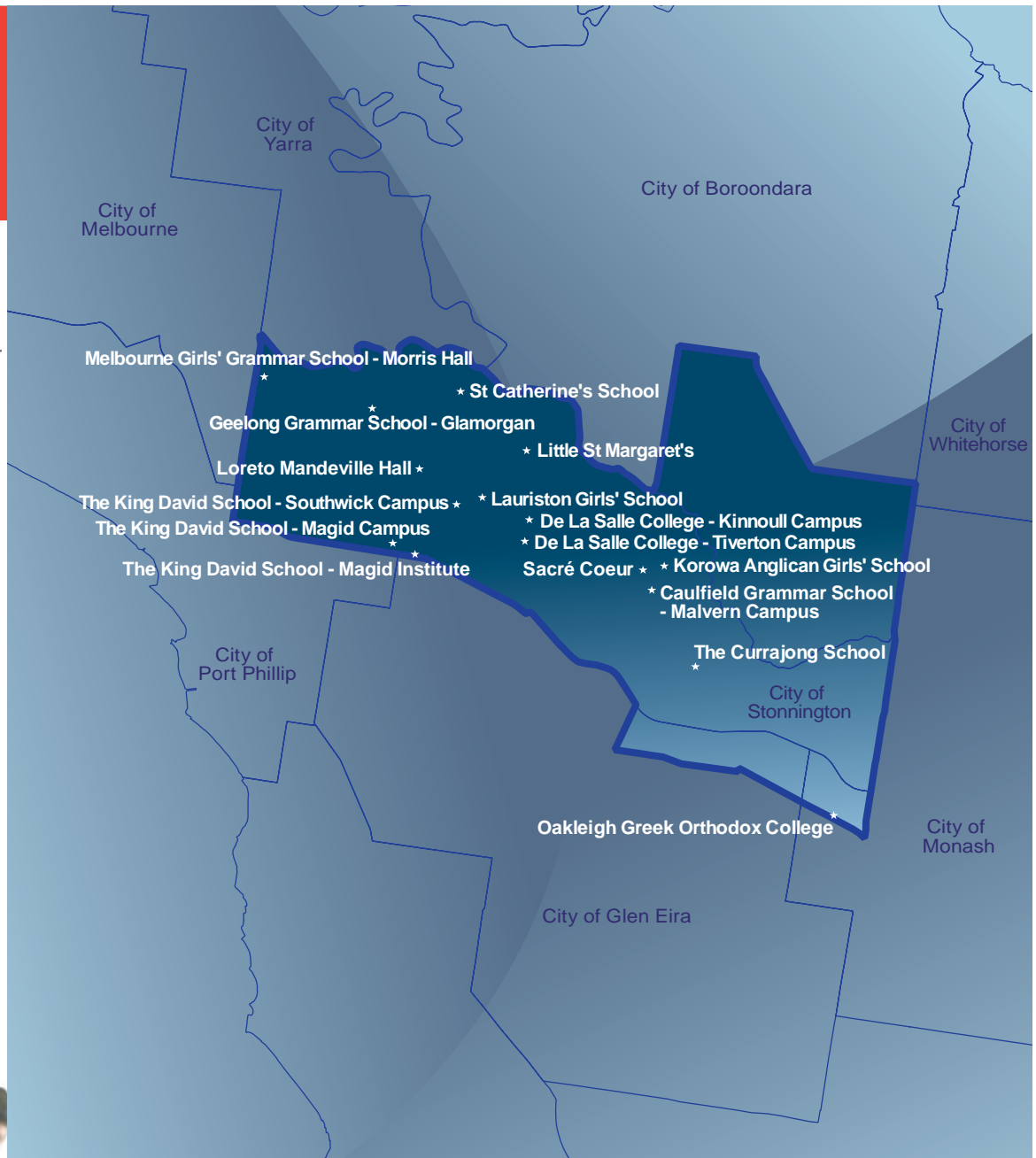


# Higgins



**Sitting Member:** Peter Costello (Liberal)  
**Elected:** 1990

**Current Margin:** 9.8%

**Electoral History:** 1975-2007 Liberal  
1975 Independent  
1949-1975 Liberal

**Independent Schools:**

- Caulfield Grammar School
- The Currajong School
- De La Salle College
- Geelong Grammar School
- The King David School
- Korowa Anglican Girls' School
- Lauriston Girls' School
- Little St. Margaret's
- Loreto Mandeville Hall
- Melbourne Girls' Grammar
- Oakleigh Greek Orthodox College
- Sacré Coeur
- St Catherine's School

**Students living in the electorate in 2001:**

Schools	Number	Percentage
Government	5,768	39.6%
Catholic	2,899	19.9%
Independent	5,889	40.5%
Total	14,556	100.0%

**Number and proportion of students in receipt of EMA enrolled in independent schools in the electorate in 2006:**

	Students
Primary	82
Secondary	137
Combined	219

**Students in independent schools located in the electorate in 2006:**

	Students
Primary	2,668
Secondary	4,271
Combined	6,939

	Percentage
Primary	3.1%
Secondary	3.2%
Combined	3.2%

\* EMA – Education Maintenance Allowance

**SES Score Range of schools in the electorate:**

SES Score	85-126
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**Number of students with disabilities enrolled in independent schools in the electorate in 2006:**

Students	157
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**Average Government recurrent funding per student for schools in the electorate in 2006:**

	Independent	Catholic	Government
State Government	\$904.28	\$1,139.32	\$9,199.62
Australian Government	\$2,311.67	\$2,456.56	\$964.50
Total Funding	\$3,215.95	\$3,595.88	\$10,164.11

\* Government school funding estimates based on 2004-2005 Productivity Commission data.