

FUTURE ANYTHING

FutureFest Sydney 2026

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING CONFERENCE
FOR PRIMARY & SECONDARY EDUCATORS

PROGRAM OUTLINE

20 February 2026 | Loreto Kirribilli

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About FutureFest

FutureFest Sydney is Future Anything's large-scale professional learning conference that will see up to 150 primary and secondary educators come together on Cammeraygal Land in Sydney to listen, learn, and network.

It will feature a host of high-energy speakers and practical, hands-on workshops enabling you to curate your day around the sessions that are most relevant to you.

Most importantly the event will be packed with practical tools and applied learning that you'll be able to implement in your classroom the very next day.

FutureFest Sydney will also incorporate dedicated sessions open exclusively to teachers delivering The [X] Challenge program.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

This is the event for educators interested in the latest trends and insights for the Future of Work and the implications for education, 21st Century Skills (and how to build them), human-centred design thinking, entrepreneurial pedagogy, Project-Based Learning, and more.

All educators delivering The [X] Challenge are encouraged to attend this event (or one of our other in-person or online PD sessions)

Plus, you'll score a chance to win a bunch of awesome prizes - including a \$4500 workshop for your students!

The [X] Challenge

The [X] Challenge is a global innovation and entrepreneurship program that empowers students to take on real-world problems, and pitch their boldest ideas to win funding, prizes, and global recognition.

Choose your [X]



Deliver your [X]



Win your [X]



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CONFERENCE PROGRAM OUTLINE - MORNING SESSIONS*

08:30	REGISTRATION, COFFEE & NETWORKING			
08.45	OPENING SESSION & ENERGISER			
09.30	KEYNOTE SPEAKERS: NICOLE DYSON FOUNDER & CEO, FUTURE ANYTHING ADDITIONAL KEYNOTE SPEAKER TO BE ANNOUNCED			
10.30	MORNING TEA			
11.00	THE ORIGIN OF AGENCY In the '2025 Resilient Youth: State of the Nation Report', of 140 000 respondents, only 18 per cent of primary and 16 per cent of secondary students reported having a 'ready to learn' mindset. Leveraging Future Anything's Capability Framework, we'll explore the capability that is at the heart of building agency in the classroom; agility.	CURRICULUM DESIGN FOR 2030 BYO unit to this practical session as we use a unique combination of research backed pedagogies to re-imagine your chosen unit of work in real-time so that it is curriculum aligned and 'future-ready'.	SPEAKER TO BE ANNOUNCED	ENTERPRISE EDUCATION IN ACTION* Learn tricks of the design thinking trade and get all the resources and tools you need to take students from picking a problem through to pitching an innovative solution. There might even be a prize or two up for grabs in this creative and collaborative session! <small>*Compulsory for new The [X] Challenge Teachers</small>
12.30	LUNCH (PROVIDED)			

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CONFERENCE PROGRAM OUTLINE - AFTERNOON SESSIONS*

13.00	LEADING FROM THE CLASSROOM Great schools grow leadership at every level. This fast-paced session gives teachers and middle leaders three actionable strategies to lead from where they are - strengthening teams, empowering colleagues, and shaping future-focused learning.	PANEL: BRINGING THE REAL WORLD INTO THE CLASSROOM We bring together a panel of industry leaders to step through a 'cheat sheet' of practical ways you can engage your local (or global) community in your classroom.	THE [X] CHALLENGE ESSENTIALS* A special session exclusively for new Future Anything The [X] Challenge teachers covering everything you need to know to set up for success including delivery timelines & key dates, accessing the curriculum, contextualising for your school and troubleshooting. <small>*Compulsory for new The [X] Challenge Teachers</small>	
14.00	SPEAKER TO BE ANNOUNCED	PRINCIPAL PANEL: LEADING IN UNCERTAIN TIMES What does it mean to lead a school in a post-COVID education landscape? Join three inspiring Principals as they step through the challenges of leadership, and practical, tried and tested strategies for every teacher or leader to build culture, community and connection.	SPEAKER TO BE ANNOUNCED	LEVELING UP THE [X] CHALLENGE So, this isn't your first rodeo (or maybe even your second, or third!). How can you level-up your [X] experience so it is bigger and better in 2026? This short, collaborative session provides an opportunity for [X] teachers to network with each other, as well as explore some more advanced strategies to make [X] more engaging within your unique school context.
14.45	CLOSING SESSION: NICOLE DYSON FOUNDER & CEO, FUTURE ANYTHING Join us for our final session of the day for your chance to win a bunch of awesome prizes - including a \$4500 workshop for your students!			
15.00	FUTUREFEST SYDNEY 2026 ENDS			

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