



## Aiming for the stars

**A** NOTHER initiative introduced by SkillsOne is the Star Rating Scheme.

Trade skill qualifications are in high demand, so to help students and their parents ensure the skills they gain in the classroom are recognised by industry and future employers, SkillsOne has introduced a rating system.

Similar to the five-star rating system used in hotels, the Star Rating Scheme recognises excellence in trade skills training among TAFE and private training providers.

Brian Wexham, chief executive officer of the Institute for Trade Skills Excellence, says the scheme aims to recognise high-performing registered training providers and help individual schools and faculties understand exactly what their clients want from their training.



**Building a future:** the Star Rating Scheme recognises excellence in trade skills training

“The Star Rating Scheme is a national initiative that will help promote and advance the quality and relevance of vocational and technical training for the trades in Australia,” Wexham says.

The scheme recognises and awards high-performing registered

training providers with a one, two or three Gold Star rating, Three Gold Stars being the highest level of recognition.

“The Star Rating Scheme is an industry-driven initiative and has been developed by the institute and industry to provide a platform that will

deliver the vocational training outcomes required to meet their needs,” Wexham says.

“The scheme will also make it easier for students and their parents to ascertain which registered training providers have been recognised at an industry level, within their field of interest.”