**Title Slide**: What is RESPECTFUL RELTIONSHIPS education?

**Slide 2**: **Respectful relationships education**

Respectful Relationships education focuses on building and promoting gender equity in relationships and challenging of gender stereotypes. Respectful Relationships education is about tackling family violence.

It is about embedding respectful relationships education in school settings as evidence shows us attitudes about gender roles and expectations and stereotypes is a key driver of family violence and through education, positive change can occur.

**Slide 3**: **Whole school approach**

The delivery of Respectful Relationships in all Victorian schools should be through a whole school approach

Teaching and learning about respectful relationships is an essential part of a whole school approach to the prevention of gender-based violence. The Victorian Curriculum F-10 provides the basis for the design of teaching and learning programs. The Content Descriptions identify what teachers are expected to teach and what students are expected to learn. The Achievement Standards describe what students are typically able to do and are the basis for assessment and reporting student achievement

**Slide 4**: **Royal Commission into Family Violence**

The importance of teaching Respectful Relationships education was highlighted in the evidence and findings of the Royal Commission into Family Violence. Recommendation 189 stated that the Victorian Government mandate that Respectful Relationships education in Victorian schools. The Victorian Government accepted all recommendations of the Royal Commission.

**Slide 5**: **Support for school teaching and learning programs**

The Department of Education and Training has provided a range of evidence based resources to support teaching and learning about respectful relationships. These resources enable schools to incorporate teaching and learning approaches that foster nurturing and positive attitude approaches to respecting gender. To access the departments Resilience, Rights and Respectful Relationships materials go to the government website.

The VCAA specialist teachers have developed assessment strategies and other resources to accompany the Department of Education and Training’s respectful relationships teaching and learning materials. These strategies explicitly assess content from the Health and Physical Education and Personal and Social Capability areas of the Victorian Curriculum.