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INQUIRY INTO HOME SCHOOLING

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Hello,

I am concerned about the proposed changes to the home schooling system here in NSW. I have a we friends who home school.

Having to home school within school hours and school terms does not give flexibility of schooling for families. Travel, medical and emotional can be some of the reasons for home schooling, and a flexibility is what has been a great feature for home schooling. If families are having to teach whole days, 5 days per week, and during school term, then they may as well send their kids to school, which defeats the purpose of home schooling.

There needs to be options in educating kids, and home schooling has provided one of those options. But the proposed changes bring it too close to the public school system and does allow enough distinctives, such as flexibility of hours of schooling and flexibility in curriculum to teach.

Please allow a full and proper review of the home schooling, so that this great option can continue to be a flexible and worthwhile option for families.

Thank you