

**INQUIRY INTO VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND
TRAINING IN NEW SOUTH WALES**

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I totally disagree with the privatisation of TAFE. Private businesses do not have the training and skills that TAFE teachers have, they conduct crash courses with limited amount of time for teaching proper skills for students, no matter which course is available. The no. 1 priority for private companies is maximum profits, they do not take the time and care to ensure all courses are conducted in the proper manner. The Government needs to invest more taxpayer dollars into TAFE, not private companies, to ensure all students have the right training. I have attended TAFE courses and was really happy with the expertise of the teachers, private companies cannot compete with the experience of trained staff, cost cutting always has disastrous results. Younger generations need TAFE for training in whatever their chosen field is, TAFE has always worked and has always achieved excellent standards and should be made available to all age groups. Competitive businesses have robbed TAFE of money, staff, courses, contact hours, support services and optimism about the future of TAFE.