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

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Tafe has allowed me to complete 2 trade certificates and I have been employed for 33 years, at TAFE, its value has given me the opportunity to be a skilled tradesperson in two different fields and allowed me to progress to higher positions in TAFE. My family members have also gained qualifications through TAFE which have led to employment.

Private providers do not have the same standards or brand name and reputations as quality providers. Their certificates/training are not held in the same regard as from TAFE. If you pass your course, a TAFE qualification has the reputation that the person has been well trained.

Smart and Skill has had the biggest impact on TAFE students, teachers, and all staff in a negative way as the system does not work efficiently enough and this impacts on everyone, causing students to go elsewhere and staff become stressed, also Smart and Skill has had an impact on employment within the TAFE system with thousands of people losing jobs and this has a dramatic effect on one's health and family life.

It is a disgrace that a world-renowned and recognised educational institute can be destroyed by incompetent management and government officials. Smart and Skill so far has decreased student numbers and staff, it is heading towards a total fail. Something has to be changed sooner as this educational institution will be no more.