

**Submission
No 10**

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

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I have not had the experience of attending TAFE, however, I have had siblings and friends who have and I have witnessed the positive impact this has had on their lives, particularly in providing them with skills and knowledge to be employed, increase their confidence and knowledge to be active and positive members of our community, country and world. I am also an educator. School, particularly university is not for everyone or every occupation and TAFE, I believe, provides these people with confidence and skills to undertake employment and feel valued contributors to our society. TAFE is often the best place to learn with an AMAZING amount of practical work. Where would we be without plumbers, electricians, hairdressers, , mechanics, A.I.N. etc. Without the proper teachers, time, courses/classes we will not have enough of these necessary people. TAFE funding SHOULD and MUST be INCREASED to allow this to occur.

THANK YOU!