

Submission
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**INQUIRY INTO THE PROVISION OF EDUCATION TO
STUDENTS WITH A DISABILITY OR SPECIAL NEEDS**

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NSW LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL INQUIRY INTO THE PROVISION OF EDUCATION TO STUDENTS WITH A DISABILITY OR SPECIAL NEEDS

SUBMISSION

The Inquiry is requesting submissions from the public that address some or all of the following terms of reference. You are invited to detail your views, examples and recommendations for improvement in the spaces provided (*copy additional forms if more space is required*):

NB: Not all terms of reference need be addressed.

1. The nature, level and adequacy of funding for the education of children with a disability.

My daughter has begun high school this year. she does not receive any funding to assist her learning at school.

2. Best practice approaches in determining the allocation of funding to children with a disability, particularly whether allocation should be focused on a student's functioning capacity rather than their disability.

3. The level and adequacy of current special education places within the education system.

the wait to get assessed my child attended a language. in the language class she had speech pathology. My child did not speak before this class.

4. The adequacy of integrated support services for children with a disability in mainstream settings, such as school classrooms.

When my daughter was in a mainstream school she had no help at all despite a speech problem.

5. The provision of a suitable curriculum for intellectually disabled and conduct disordered students.

6. Student and family access to professional support and services, such as speech therapy, occupational therapy, physiotherapy and school counsellors.

As a parent I cannot afford the cost of the speech therapy my child needs.

7. The provision of adequate teaching training, both in terms of pre-service and ongoing professional training.

8. Any other related matters.

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