INQUIRY INTO REVIEW OF THE NEW SOUTH WALES SCHOOL CURRICULUM

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I'd like to change the current unfair situation that students of Indonesian, Korean, Chinese or Japanese backgrounds are facing strict eligibility criteria which do not apply to the 30 other languages offered in the HSC.

My father is Australian but I was born and grown up in Japan. Although he speaks English at home, I'm still not perfect at English (As you see my broken English...).

Bilingual skill will not be obtained naturally, need a lots of effort.

In Japan, I wasn't forced to join expert English class because of my background. I could choose course based on my actual English skill and my wish. I think it's normal.

Australian schools shouldn't reject the students' wish to study the language of their parents based on misinterpretation of the eligibility criteria.