

**Submission
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**INQUIRY INTO CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE WITH
DISABILITY IN NEW SOUTH WALES EDUCATIONAL
SETTINGS**

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Subject: Opposition to the Closure of Schools for Specific

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the proposed closure of schools that cater to children with additional needs. These educational institutions play a crucial role in providing a safe and supportive environment for students like my daughter.

For children with special requirements, these schools act as sanctuaries, offering not only tailored academic support but also a space where their unique needs are understood and addressed. The specialized facilities and trained staff in these schools are essential for ensuring that every child receives the attention and assistance they require to thrive academically and socially.

As a mother, I am deeply concerned that the closure of such schools would not only deprive my daughter of the essential support she needs but could also compromise her health and safety. Mainstream schools, while important, may not have the expertise or resources to adequately address the specific challenges faced by children with additional needs.

I urge you to reconsider the decision to close these invaluable educational institutions and to recognize the critical role they play in the well-being and development of children with unique requirements.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Jade Faivakimoana