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Minister for Education

Ms Helen Minnican
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Dear Ms Minnican *Helen,*

I write in response to a petition lodged with the Legislative Assembly of the Parliament of New South Wales by Mr Jihad Dib MP, Member for Lakemba, on 5 June 2018, requesting an additional high school in Sydney's east. I thank the community for its representations.

There are several co-educational high schools located within the Eastern Suburbs which cater for the needs of local communities. These include JJ Cahill Memorial High School, South Sydney High School, Matraville Sports High School and Rose Bay Secondary College.

There are currently two projects underway that will provide additional student places in co-educational Eastern Suburbs high schools:

- The new Inner Sydney High School in Surry Hills – with capacity for up to 1,200 students.
- The Alexandria Park Community School – with capacity for up to 2,200 primary and secondary students.

The NSW Government also recently announced the commencement of planning for upgrades at the Randwick Boys and Randwick Girls high school precinct. These works will help manage enrolments at Eastern Suburbs high schools into the future.

The department is engaged with key stakeholders, including school communities, councils and CLOSEast, and will continue to do so in the forthcoming planning process.

Yours sincerely

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cc: Mr Jihad Dib MP, Member for Lakemba