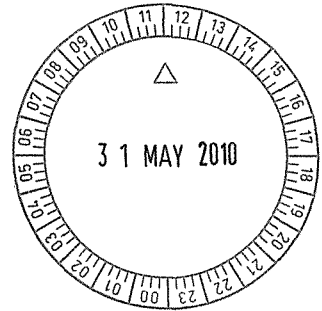


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To Whom it May Concern

Wongan Hills District High School P&C wishes to write to you in response to requests for submissions regarding the provision of Year 11 and 12 classes at District High Schools.

The WHDHS P&C executive believes that it is an opportunity for choice for the families of students who take up this option. Some students are unable to study Year 11 and 12 at other schools for which boarding would be a necessity for a variety of reasons. This option allows them to continue their study until age 17 as is required by government legislation, without having to leave their homes and families. Without this option some families would have to relocate when boarding for their children is not an alternative. This would impact upon the whole community. There has been a lot of publicity given to the population decline in rural towns and this situation would just exacerbate the problem.

We understand our school has been able to offer this delivery through additional funding for staffing of these classes. Without this support we believe our school would only be able to offer these classes at the expense of other students. We wish to request that at the very least the current funding arrangements are continued for our school.

We do however wish to stress we would not support any move that restricted families from eligibility for Assistance For Isolated Children Scheme when they take up the option to further their children's education at other schools.

Yours faithfully

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(Secretary)