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Submitter Comments:

I am in opposition to the proposed change that would make it compulsory for homeschoolers to follow the Australian Curriculum. The Australian Curriculum is not universally accepted as the best program of education: As parents we have the right to choose the best education for our own children and have the freedom to look beyond the Australian Curriculum to choose from a variety of quality and well established approaches. The Australian Curriculum may work for schools but for homeschooled students receiving individualised teaching it is not always the best choice: Homeschooling has always meant having the option to tailor an education to each child and this must not be restricted as it is a vital aspect of the process of best educating each individual. As a homeschool parent of many years it has been a great joy to provide my children with opportunities and education in an environment of love and attention. Most parents who take on this responsibility do so with great care for the children they love- by attempting to impose a curriculum on these families it wont benefit them and nor will it improve the quality for those who take less care. It is important that parents have the final say in how their children are educated, please do not make the proposed change. Thank you