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As a retired Civil Engineer and Justice of the Peace, I wish to inform the enquiry that we are disgusted and dismayed at the current teaching methods of Mathematics, Physics and Chemistry. My 12 grandchildren have been victims of the current system and have been disadvantaged for life by the inane methods of teaching, promulgated by the QSA. A good basic knowledge and a certain dexterity with figures, formulae and logic in mathematics, geometry, algebra, calculus and trigonometry are essential to the production of our future leaders in these fields. Without these skills, Queensland – and Australia can never lead or even compete with the rest of the world – as we have done in times gone by using time honoured methods which used external examinations and left the writing of lengthy essays to the English departments.

PLEASE put the development of the curricula into the hands of competent Maths. Physics and Chemistry lecturers who know what they are doing

Yours sincerely, ......Geoffrey Youle Dean B.E. J.P......7