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The Committee Secretary


I think that it is short sighted of the Labor Federal Government to discourage country students from undertaking a tertiary education.

City students have all the advantages when it comes to education in this country. Distance is a major problem in providing country students with equal educational opportunities. Many students in the country if they can, will take a gap year so that they can qualify for the youth allowance. Country families will still support their children with whatever assistance they can afford.

Having to meet the full cost of accommodation, food and transport will hinder many country students from undertaking a tertiary education which should be their right. City students and their families in the main will not be burdened with these costs.

Australia should be a country where we are all equal. Education should be equal. Educating country students now will aid the country in the future. All they need is a level playing field with their city cousins.

Yours Sincerely



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