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Mr Neil Laurie Clerk of Parliament Parliament House George Street BRISBANE QLD 4000

Dear Mr. Laurie Meil



Minister for Education, Training and Employment

I refer to petition 1858-12 tabled in the Legislative Assembly regarding the request for a feasibility study to be undertaken and a community consultation process to be implemented to investigate the establishment of Years 11 and 12 at Millmerran State School.

The Queensland Government is committed to ensuring that all students, no matter where they live or what their circumstances, have access to a range of high quality education and training programs.

The ongoing needs for additional schooling options are routinely monitored at both a regional and state level. Regional Officers from the Darling Downs South West Region will continue to monitor and assess these needs in partnership with both the Millmerran State School community and state planners.

Planning is currently underway across the region to assess the implications of the Flying Start Initiative on existing P-10 Schools like Millmerran State School. This process will include community consultation and provide information to inform future options for the school.

In addition to state school planning, the Queensland Government has committed to establish a Queensland Schools Plan Commission, so that planning by government and the school sectors is strategic and coordinated. The future schooling needs of Millmerran, along with the rest of Queensland, will be considered through this process.

Should you wish to discuss this matter further, I invite you to contact Mr John Brazier, Regional Facilities Manager, Darling Downs South West Region, on telephone 4616 9184.

Yours sincerely

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