

27<sup>th</sup> October 2021

Dear Sir, Madam

I am writing this letter as a very concerned community member and grandparent to ask why students who live in Pingelly are now being told that they have to go to Brookton High school once they leave Pingelly and are not able to go straight to Narrogin SHSchool where they can stay uninterrupted until finishing their school days.

It seems ridiculous that they have to go to Brookton where the school and facilities are of a much lower standard than Narrogin and where there are currently very few students in their high school. Pingelly students will have to purchase new uniforms, make new friends and then once again purchase new uniforms, make new friends when they move on to Narrogin SHS for Year 11 and 12. This new ruling has already forced families to totally quit our local community and send their children to Perth schools and as you will be aware this is exceedingly detrimental to our town, shops and sporting teams as once children go to school in Perth, the whole family does everything in Perth as well and no longer belong or commit to our local town.

We also feel very strongly that some students are totally free to go to any Perth school once leaving Pingelly without any consequences, so WHY suddenly are students now being told that they HAVE to go to Brookton School once leaving Pingelly all apparently because of shortening bus runs and not instating larger buses where they are needed. These buses have been collecting children from Pingelly school to take to Narrogin for their further education for a very long time with no problems at all and we wonder why suddenly there is this totally detrimental change in your approach in forcing students to go to Brookton for only PART of their further education and not allowing them to bus to Narrogin to complete their WHOLE high school education in one school.

We sincerely hope that you will look at our arguments in a favourable light and continue to make the sensible approach of allowing Pingelly students the choice of furthering their education in Narrogin and we look forward to your response. Thank you in anticipation.

Yours faithfully

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