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## Committee to hear from Reconciliation Australia and Independent Schools Council on what's working in Indigenous education

The Standing Committee on Indigenous Affairs is inquiring into what educational options have met with the most success for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students. We need to know what works best, what has failed and what we can do with communities to improve Indigenous education.

On **Thursday 3 March 11.30am – 1.00pm** the Committee will hear from Reconciliation Australia and the Independent Schools Council of Australia. The hearing will be held in **Committee Room 1R4, Parliament House, Canberra**. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

A full program for the hearing and further information on the inquiry, including a link to the Committee's e-newsletter, containing updates about the Inquiry and its future work programme, can be found on the inquiry website at <a href="https://www.aph.gov.au/educationalopportunities">www.aph.gov.au/educationalopportunities</a>.

Students, parents and teachers may be interested in participating in the Committee's questionnaire which is also available from the above website.

The public hearings will be webcast live at <a href="http://www.aph.gov.au/News">http://www.aph.gov.au/News</a> and Events/Watch Parliament.

**For media comment**, please contact the Committee Chair the Hon Dr Sharman Stone MP on (03) 5821 5371 (Electorate Office) or (02) 6277 4477 (Parliament House).

**For background information**, and advice on making submissions, please contact the Committee Secretariat on (02) 6277 4559 or <u>indigenousaffairs.reps@aph.gov.au</u>

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