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Indigenous education hearings continue in Canberra and Adelaide

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 in an effort to find out what works best, what has failed and and what we can do better in Indigenous education.

On **Thursday 25 February at 11.45am – 1.00pm** the Committee will hear from staff and students from the ANU's Tjabal Higher Education Centre. The hearing will be held in **Committee Room 1R4, Parliament House, Canberra**.

On **Friday 26 February at 8.30am – 12.00pm** the Committee will hold a hearing in Adelaide with students and staff from The Wiltja School. Wiltja is a multi-campus secondary school where Anangu students from the APY Lands and twenty remote communities across South Australia board at a residence in Adelaide and attend local mainstream schools. The hearing will be held at **the Wiltja School, 111-125 Folland Avenue Northgate, Adelaide.** Members of the public are welcome to attend.

Full programs for both hearings 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 www.aph.gov.au/educationalopportunities.

Students, parents and teachers may be interested in participating in the Committee's questionnaire which is also available from the above website. The Committee will accept submissions to the inquiry throughout February 2016.

The public hearings will be webcast live at http://www.aph.gov.au/News 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 indigenousaffairs.reps@aph.gov.au

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