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Dear Standing Committee on Family, Community, Housing and Youth

After listening to Annette speak with Luke & Lucy on Light FM this morning I thought I'd let you know about an amazing program called **Teach One to Lead One**. Daniel and myself are parents of 4 children ages 8 to 14 years. We have a passion to see the next generation of our Nation make wise choices and live lives to the full. I came across this program 6 months ago whilst listening to the writer, Dr. Lori Salierno speak on the radio late one night. Her website is ([www.celebratelife.org](http://www.celebratelife.org)).

This program is a 12 week program that has had a huge impact on children/teens (ages 11-18) in America and would impact the youth of Australia. We have since spoken with Greg Hunt MP and he forwarded us to Peter Rawlings (Chapliancy) to meet. We did that, and in the short version we had a meeting with some local Chaplians 2 weeks ago in view to trialing Teach One Lead One. Chaplain Stan Thomas from Dromana High School has had permission from the Principal to trial the program which is amazing. This is all done on a voluntary basis on our part as we would love to see our Nations children being guided in the right direction. We have a vision to see this program through every school in Australia and any help or advise would be a blessing.

I have attached a sample of the "Respect" module of Teach One to Lead One along with statistics and a brochure for you to look at.

Thank you for your time and we look forward to hearing from you .

Kind regards,



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