MPs seek career advice from youth and teachers

A Victorian parliamentary inquiry is asking young people and teachers for suggestions on how to improve career advice at schools.

The Economic, Education, Jobs and Skills Committee is running a survey asking young people to evaluate the career advice they receive at school and offer ideas for improvement.

"Young people are in the best position to let us know how well career advice is working for them," said Committee Chair Mr Nazih Elasmar.

"I really encourage secondary students and recent school leavers to take the survey and tell us about their experiences."

The Committee is also keen for teachers and school career advisers to take the survey.

"We want teachers' opinions on how effective career advice services are," said Mr Elasmar.

"We are also seeking teachers' recommendations on how to better support school leavers."

The inquiry will examine how well school career advice is meeting the needs of young Victorians and specifically consider services for young people in regional areas.

Young people and teachers can access the inquiry survey here.

The Committee also invites submissions to the inquiry from survey responders who want to provide more details, as well as other members of the public who wish to share their experiences and views on school career advice.

Information on how to make a submission and the inquiry's terms of reference are available from the Committee's <u>website</u>.

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