

National Cultural Policy Submission

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Short submission (text box 500 words or less)

I think it is admiral that there is work being done in this space.

The big issue is the demise of Public School Libraries services.

Plus, those that still exists are under funded with nonprofessional staff managing them. They also have no overall body ensuring a standard of service, as what existed 20 years ago.

Often the school library is the only access that students have to to reading materials if their parents can not afford to purchase books or they don't know about their local public library or they do not have ascases.

This is inequity and disadvantages a section of our society. please have funding of schools linked to the establishment of a school library. Plus establish a gov. body that ensures a standard of service. This should not be left to high school principals, who have no idea about the benefits of a school library.

Please use the example of PLVN and how it operates in Victoria.

Finally, again an issue of inequity. Public schools do not have the funding to have author visits due to low funding, but private Schools do. Author visits help to inspire students to read.