



Triple Bottom Line (TBL) Assessment Summary

The Triple Bottom Line Assessment is required to be published in accordance with Part 4, section 23 (1)(b) of the Freedom of Information Act 2016

20/068 Government Response to the Report by the Standing Committee on Education, Employment and Youth Affairs on the Cessation of the Music for Colleges Course

Summary of impacts:

- There is no funding available for the Music for Colleges program from 2019.
- Canberra students have access to a world class curriculum that includes music. High performing music students in the public education system also have access to high quality music tuition, ensembles and bands through the Instrumental Music Program (IMP). This will continue and be supplemented through additional improvements to the existing program.
- Schools and students can access other government-funded music programs including through Music For Canberra at the Ainslie Arts Centre, and music engagement activities by the Canberra Symphony Orchestra.

Level of impact	Positive	Negative	Neutral
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Social		
Level of impact	Impact	Summary
Positive	Gender equality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The cessation of Government funding for the Music for Colleges program will not affect females, males or gender diverse individuals differently.
Negative	Access to services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Canberra students have access to a world class curriculum that includes music. High performing music students in the public education system also have access to high quality music tuition, ensembles and bands through the Instrumental Music Program (IMP). • However, the cessation of the Music for Colleges program will mean these students cannot currently undertake extension programs that contribute to their Australian Tertiary Admissions Rank (ATAR) or provide credit toward a related degree at the ANU. • Students are still able to study college level music programs that can count towards their ATAR.
Positive	Access to social inclusion/participation and community activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students will have access to continued music education as per above.
Positive	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The cessation of Government funding for the Music for Colleges program will not affect Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples differently to other Canberran students.

Neutral	Multicultural	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The cessation of Government funding for the Music for Colleges program will not affect people from cultural or ethnic backgrounds differently to other Canberran students.
Negative	Impacts on different age groups	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up to 80 Canberran students in years 11 and 12 per year will be impacted by the cessation of the Music for Colleges program. However, these students will continue to be able to access other high-quality music tuition, ensemble and band experiences.

Economic		
Neutral	ACT Government Budget	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is no funding available for the Music for Colleges program from 2019. The Government contributes about \$1 million to the Instrumental Music Program.
Negative	Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Canberra students already have access to a world class curriculum that includes music. High performing music students in the public education system also have access to high quality music tuition, ensembles and bands through the IMP. However, the cessation of the Music for Colleges program will mean these students cannot currently undertake extension programs that contribute to their ATAR or provide credit toward a related degree at the ANU. Students are still able to study college level music programs that can count towards their ATAR. It is possible there may be a resultant reduction in the number of students enrolling in music related qualifications in the ACT tertiary education sector.

Environmental	Nil impact.
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