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**A message for Year 12 students**

The work you will do in Year 12 this year is incredibly important and your results will be as valuable as any previous year.

COVID-19 will take a lot from our nation but it won't take all your hard work over your years of education.

All education ministers met today through Education Council and we agreed that Year 12 students will get a leaving certificate for 2020. There will be no Year 13. There will be no mass repeating of Year 12.

We want Year 12 students to finish their education and next year go to university, undertake vocational training or enter the workforce.

Each state and territory is responsible for their government schools and is also responsible for awarding senior secondary certificates in their jurisdiction.

It was agreed that every state and territory would follow national principles to support local decisions.

**ENDS**

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