

## Why the OBE “Compromise” is bad for your kids

- **“Pure” OBE is a discredited philosophy of education.** It has failed everywhere it has been tried. The proposed “hybrid” version messes up already good courses with inappropriate procedures and assessment.
- **OBE covers up the truth about your child’s strengths and weaknesses.** Nearly every student in the class is given the same “Level”. Correcting student mistakes is optional: any answer will do, even if it is wrong. Your child has no incentive to achieve.
- **OBE is more interested in politically-correct opinion** than in building your child’s knowledge and understanding.
- **More than 90 % of year 11 and 12 teachers oppose the introduction of OBE into upper secondary.**

[Source: Independent voting in the Catholic and independent sector; voting (where the Government allowed it) at public school Professional Development sessions.]

- The Science Teachers Association of WA has called for delay.
  - The Geography Teachers Association has called for delay.
  - The Independent Schools Association has called for delay.
  - The State Teachers’ Union ignored these results, stifled debate and pushed through its “Government compromise package”.
  - Expect hundreds of secondary teachers to resign from the union in protest.
- **ALL Year 11 and 12 students will be disadvantaged:**

**University-bound students:** OBE uses an incorrect and invalid mathematical process, to rank students for University entrance, that could cost your child a place at university. Students from academically-strong high schools will be disadvantaged, by poorer students at less-academic schools receiving higher “school marks”. With OBE, “moderation” becomes a joke. **Expect your child to need an extra year, and an extra \$ 5,000 - \$ 8,000, to complete university; she’ll waste a year doing “catch-up subjects”.**

**Vocational students:** OBE takes the practical skills out of subjects like Woodwork and Metalwork, and replaces them with written projects. Aviation students discuss the history of aviation but don’t fly... Music students play a CD instead of a musical instrument... English students study movie posters... Chemistry students learn about the cosmetics industry... Physics students discuss the morality of air bags... **With OBE, we will need to import our scientists and engineers from the eastern states or from overseas.**

## OBE Fails Kids

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