



## Email your MP

We can't create policy change if our political leaders don't hear our voice, and our message. Writing directly to your local member of Parliament sends a powerful message to our leaders. The more emails we can send, the better our chances are of making change.

All you have to do is copy and paste this text into an email and send it off to your **state NSW Member of Parliament**.

Here are the steps:

1. Find out which NSW state electorate you're in here:  
<https://elections.nsw.gov.au/elections/find-my-electorate>
2. Look up the sitting Member's name and their best email by downloading this list  
<https://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/members/downloadables/Pages/Members-of-the-Legislative-Assembly.aspx>
3. Customise your email using the template below – remember to fill in the yellow
4. Send it off!
5. Let us know – Flick us a message at [info@cpactive.org.au](mailto:info@cpactive.org.au) and tell us how it went

If you have any questions or need help, you can contact us anytime on [info@cpactive.org.au](mailto:info@cpactive.org.au)

We can't wait to hear how you go!

CPActive team

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**Subject line:** Will you help make schools and work more inclusive for young people with disabilities?

**Content:**

(Address Line 1)

(Address Line 2)

(Address Line 3)

(Date here)

To The Hon (Name Here) MP

I hope this letter finds you well.

I am writing to you to ask for your support for a cause that I am deeply passionate about, helping people with a disability to achieve their dreams and to live their best lives.

As a local constituent in [AREA], this issue is really important to me because [WHY -eg. I am a young person with cerebral palsy and this issue impacts me].

Right now, young people with a disability in NSW are struggling with the transition between school to work.

In Australia, unemployment for young people with a disability (25%) is more than double the unemployment rate of young people without a disability (11%). There is currently not enough support in our community to help these young people find meaningful employment with current programs for finding work not adequately addressing disability.

Through the recent 'Blaze the Trail' campaign, CPActive Champions are working to establish an inclusive **'school to work pathway strategy'** for NSW to address this problem, **and we want you to pledge your support for developing this strategy.**

By developing a new strategy with people with a disability at the forefront, it would alleviate stress and anxiety for young people in this transition phase between school and work.

There are 3 elements that are needed to ensure the school to work strategy will be effective:

1. Clear, consistent, and enforceable guidelines for support around assessments at school and university for students living with disability;
2. Pathways for people living with disability to enter the teaching workforce;

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# BLAZE THE TRAIL CAMPAIGN



3. A state-wide initiative supporting the development of pathways for students living with disability into large business, government departments and community organisations.

If you would like to find out more about CPActive or the 'Blaze the Trail' campaign, please visit:  
<https://cpactive.org.au/>

It would mean so much if you could be an advocate, like me, for this amazing cause. Together, we can make a difference in the lives of so many young people with a disability.

Will you support CPActive's Blaze the Trail campaign and pledge to introduce a 'School to Work Pathway Strategy' if re-elected?

I truly appreciate your time in considering this and I look forward to your response.

Kind regards,

(name here)

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