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Attention: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Educators:

*The importance of role models and education*: www.twitter.com/IndigenousX

Dear Colleagues,

As you know the Coalition has placed Indigenous education on top its agenda in its first term of government. So far, little consultation has occurred with major stakeholders in this regard.

An opportunity to engage directly with this agenda starts today.

The Guardian Australia and IndigenousX are hosting an online discussion and debate on education priorities with Warren Mundine. As educators we are committed to support education as the key to Indigenous advancement.

I encourage all of our mob to have a respectful conversation with Warren and bring our experience and evidence to these discussions on education policy reforms for our people. Please note that Warren is holding the conversation as a private citizen rather than his role as Chair of the Indigenous Advisory Council.

To have your say, read Warren’s opinion piece for the Guardian, and join in the Twitter conversation.

Q&A with Warren Mundine: on the importance of role models and education

IndigenousX Twitter forum: www.twitter.com/IndigenousX

We have decades of evidence from *What Works* and other programs that punitive attendance measures will be ineffective. If you have a Twitter account, you can add your voice now to the debate on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander education priorities – go to www.twitter.com/IndigenousX

If not, creating a Twitter account is easy at https://twitter.com/signup. Social media is a powerful channel to influence and advocate for reforms for our people.

The IndigenousX forum is open until next **Thursday 6 February**.

Let’s use our collective wisdom and experience to inform and achieve a quality education for our mob. To:

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