



## **NEW PARTNERSHIP BROKER CONTRACT**

Hunter Valley Youth Express was recently successful through a Commonwealth tender process, and secured the School, Business, Community Partnership Broker (PB) contract.

The aims of the PB Program are to broker sustainable partnership that support increased retention, attainment, participation and successful transition for all young people.

Hunter Valley Youth Express will be aiming to bring together Education and Training, Business and Industry, Parents and Families and Community Groups during 2010 – 2011, with the purpose of developing innovative and useful strategies to increase the retention of young people through to year 12 and to assist with successful transition into positive career pathways. The Program strongly urges parental engagement and welcomes contact/ideas around how best to engage parents through partnership development.

Throughout 2010-2011 we require your feedback to help us with direction. Please fill out the provided questionnaire and return it to us at your earliest convenience so that we may constantly update our environmental scanning of the area.

If you have a particular interest to be involved at either your local Primary or Secondary school, or contribute in another way towards supporting the young people in your community please advise a Hunter Valley Youth Express staff member, or telephone 02 4931 2777 to discuss your involvement.

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