

## Isolated Children's Parents' Association of Australia (Inc) FEDERAL COUNCIL

"Advocating for equitable access to education for students in rural and remote Australia"

## **TRAINING**

## **POLICY**

ICPA seeks to ensure that students from rural and remote areas have access to affordable training opportunities and options which will enable them to pursue the career path of their choice.

## **OBJECTIVES**

- 1. A Living Away from Home Allowance (LAFHA) be available for apprentices and trainees who are required to move and live away from their family home to access components of their qualification.
- 2. The LAFHA for apprentices and trainees closely reflects the actual cost of living away from home.
- 3. The LAFHA for apprentices and trainees' eligibility period post-school, be longer than 36 months for rural and remote school-based apprentices who transfer, at the completion of secondary schooling, to full-time employment with the same apprenticeship.
- 4. Travel and accommodation allowances be paid to apprentices and trainees when required to travel to access a training provider.
- 5. Maintenance and support of Agricultural colleges in regional areas.
- 6. Relocation assistance be available for rural and remote apprentices and trainees who need to relocate away from their family home to pursue their qualification.