



Dear Special Education Teacher

**Help your special needs students take control of their lives**

You can make one simple decision today that could have a life long, positive impact on special needs students at your school.

That decision is to set them on the path to improved motivation, communication, confidence and direction by encouraging them to participate in Youth Opportunities Personal Leadership Training, delivered by Barkuma Training.

Barkuma is a not-for-profit organisation that has been accredited to deliver this Program to students with learning difficulties and intellectual disabilities. The Program draws together special needs kids from schools all over Adelaide once a week for one whole school term. Participants get to share their experiences, learn skills to help them take control of their lives, expand their often limited horizons and develop new friendships.

The program is most suited to students whose intentions are to leave school and look for work at the end of the year. All students who complete the course requirements earn one SACE point.

The course fees are heavily subsidised, with either the school or family contributing just \$150 for the full 10 weeks.

In the first instance I would like the opportunity to discuss this program with you in person or over the phone. Once we have confirmed your interest I will ask you to refer students to Barkuma Training for an interview to assess their desire and commitment to taking part in this life changing program.

If you would like more information about making a positive impact on the lives of your special needs students through Youth Opportunities Personal Leadership Training you can contact **Vikram Howard** or **Peter Wilkes** on 8414 7000.

For further information see the attached Program Details and Student Information Flyer.

Yours faithfully,

Vikram Howard  
Training Coordinator