

To the secretariat,

I write to express the significant impact the poor state of telecommunications provisions having on my workplace at St Joseph's College. Every day at work my colleagues and I are frustrated in trying to perform basic tasks. There are many hours of work time lost in waiting for the documents to download, Web pages to open or trying to run online videos for students to engage them in learning.

As we employ many professionals from interstate, they rightly expect to have basic infrastructure such as the internet working reliably. When this is not the case, they quickly develop a view of the Northern Territory as a rural backwater. The frustration they feel would contribute to loss of job satisfaction.

The internet cannot cope with completing basic tasks such as online role marking. We want to move to an online learning management system next year, standard stuff interstate, yet we are deeply concerned the network can't cope.

Without the upgrade of telecommunications network in the area our students will be increasingly disadvantaged in their learning. Please upgrade us as soon as possible.

Regards,

