

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mrs Hersey to the Minister for Education:

Engagement and Compliance Officers

1. How many Engagement Officers and how many Compliance Officers are there in the Northern Territory, and where are they located?

As of 2021, there is no distinction in title or function between Compliance Officers and Engagement Officers; all are now referred to as Student Engagement Advisors.

Table 1 shows that there are 44 Student Engagement Advisor positions located across the 6 regions of the Northern Territory (NT). Eight of these positions are currently vacant and subject to recruitment (indicated in brackets below).

Table 1: Regional distribution of Student Engagement Advisors

Region	Regional Manager	Student Engagement Advisors	School Based Engagement Officer	Total
Barkly	1	3	1	5
Big Rivers	1	5 (3)	1	7
Central	1	7	2	10
Darwin	1	4 (2)	2	7
East Arnhem	1	4	1	6
Top End	1	5 (2)	3 (1)	9
TOTAL	6	28 (7)	10 (1)	44

2. How many compulsory conference notices have been issued by Engagement Officers and Compliance Officers in the 2021/22 financial year? Please specify by region.

As illustrated in Table 2, 121 compulsory conference notices were issued by Student Engagement Advisors in the 2021/22 financial year.

Table 2: Number of compulsory conference notices issued in the 2021/22 financial year

Region	Notices issued
Barkly	0
Big Rivers	4
Central	0
Darwin	32
East Arnhem	81
Top End	4

TOTAL	121
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3. How many compulsory conferences were attended by parents/carers in the 2021/22 financial year? Please specify by region.

Table 3 gives a regional breakdown of the 86 compulsory conferences attended by parents/carers in the 2021/22 financial year.

Table 3: Number of compulsory conferences attended in the 2021/22 financial year

Region	Conferences attended
Barkly	2
Big Rivers	4
Central	17
Darwin	22
East Arnhem	41
Top End	0
TOTAL	86

4. How many attendance plans were issued by Engagement Officers and Compliance Officers in the 2021/22 financial year? Please specify by region.

Attendance plans are one of many tools available to Student Engagement Advisors and schools, to support student (re)engagement into education.

There is currently no centralised reporting on this data.

5. How many compliance notices were issued to parents/carers in the 2021/22 financial year? Please specify by region.

As illustrated in Table 4, 125 compliance notices were issued by Student Engagement Advisors in the 2021/22 financial year.

Table 4: Number of compliance notices issued in the 2021/22 financial year

Region	Notices issued
Barkly	0
Big Rivers	47
Central	0
Darwin	14
East Arnhem	64
Top End	0
TOTAL	125

6. How many parents/carers were prosecuted for their child's non-attendance under Section 40 of the Education Act 2015 for a first offence in the 2021/22 financial year? Please specify by region.

No parents/carers were prosecuted in the 2021/22 financial year.

7. How many parents/carers were prosecuted for their child's non-attendance under Section 40 of the Education Act 2015 in the past year for a first second or subsequent offence in the 2021/22 financial year? Please specify by region.

No parents/carers were prosecuted in the 2021/22 financial year.