No. 760

### LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

### WRITTEN QUESTION

Mrs Finocchiaro to the Minister for Education, for all agencies falling under the Minister's portfolio responsibilities:

### **AGENCY ADMINISTRATION**

#### Note 1:

We have submitted similar questions to those below in past years prior to the Estimates Committee Hearings. Although it appears there will not be any Estimates Committee Hearings this year; we are submitting these questions in the interests of accountability and continuity, to enable the comparison of agency information across years.

#### Note 2:

If there is to be a Whole of Government response to any of the questions, it would be appreciated if these are referred early to the Minister responsible to enable a response within the same timeframe as the remainder of the questions.

### Note 3:

My Office would be very grateful if the question could be inserted at the beginning of each answer.

#### **STAFFING**

- 1. Please provide details for the following staffing questions as at 30 June 2019, and as at 31 March 2020:
  - a) How many staff were employed in the following categories:
    - i. Full time equivalent
    - ii. Permanent part time contract
    - iii. Contract
  - b) Please advise the number of staff who identify as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander as at 30 June 2019, as at 31 March 2020, and as a percentage of the Agency total employment as at 31 March 2020 (all classifications);
  - c) Please advise the number of frontline staff as FTE as at 31 March 2020 and as a percentage of the Agency total employment (all classifications).

a)

i. As at 30 June 2019 (Pay 26), the total paid full-time equivalent (FTE) for all employees was 4406 FTE.

As at 31 March 2020 (Pay 19), the total paid FTE for all employees was 4359 FTE.

ii. As at 30 June 2019 (Pay 26), there were 298 part time employees (143 permanent part-time employees and 155 fixed-term part-time employees).

As at 31 March 2020 (Pay 19), there were 320 part time employees (157 permanent part-time employees and 157 fixed-term part-time employees).

iii. As at 30 June 2019 (Pay 26), there were 1655 FTE temporary contract (fixed-term) employees.

As at 31 March 2020 (Pay 19), there were 1632 FTE temporary contract (fixed-term) employees.

- b) A whole-of-government response to Question 1(b) will be provided by the Minister for Public Employment.
- c) As at 30 June 2019 (Pay 26), there were 3838 FTE (or 87.1 per cent) school-based employees.

As at 31 March 2020 (Pay 19), there were 3855 FTE (or 88.4 per cent) school-based employees.

### 2. Please advise, in each category:

- The total number of staff on contracts (by executive and temporary employment contracts) as at 30 June 2019 and as at 31 March 2020
- b) By position, the levels at which staff are employed on executive or temporary employment contracts as at 30 June 2019 and as at 31 March 2020
- a) As at 30 June 2019 (Pay 26), there were 127 FTE executive contract employees and there were 1528 FTE temporary contract (fixed-period) employees.

As at 31 March 2020 (Pay 19), there were 123 FTE executive contract employees and there were 1509 FTE temporary contract (fixed-period) employees.

b) By position, the levels at which staff are employed on executive or temporary employment contracts as at 30 June 2019 and as at 31 March 2020:

Actual paid FTE	2018-19 Pay 26 26 June 2019	2019-20 Pay 19 18 March 2020
Administrative Officer	422	425
Assistant Teacher	66	68
Executive Contract Officer	35	32
Executive Contract Principal	92	91
Physical	40	38
Principal	15	20
Professional	13	15
Senior Administrative Officer	16	16
Senior Teacher	108	112
Teacher	828	806
Technical	1	1
Trainee and Apprentices	19	9
TOTAL	1655	1632

- 3. For the full financial year ending 30 June 2019 and for the period from 1 July 2019 to 31 March 2020 how many staff:
  - a) Resigned
  - b) Were made redundant
  - c) Were terminated
  - a) For the financial year ending 30 June 2019, 191 permanent employees resigned and for the period 1 July 2019 to 31 March 2020, 120 permanent employees resigned.
  - b) For the financial year ending 30 June 2019, 10 employees were made redundant, and for the period 1 July 2019 to 31 March 2020, 3 employees were made redundant.
  - c) For the financial year ending 30 June 2019, 7 employees were terminated, and for the period 1 July 2019 to 31 March 2020, 2 employees were terminated.

4. How many staff were unattached or categorized as redeployees for the full financial year ending 30 June 2019 and for the period from 1 July 2019 to 31 March 2020?

For the financial year ending 30 June 2019, the average paid FTE for unattached employees was 122 and 1 employee was categorised as a redeployee.

For the period from 1 July 2019 to 31 March 2020, the average paid FTE for unattached employees was 91 and 1 employee was categorised as a redeployee

5. How many staff were categorized as supernumerary for the full financial year ending 30 June 2019 and for the period from 1 July 2019 to 31 March 2020?

For the financial year ending 30 June 2019, the average paid FTE for supernumerary employees was 179 FTE.

For the period 1 July 2019 through 31 March 2020, the average paid FTE for supernumerary employees was 131 FTE.

6. How many staff have been engaged through employment agency arrangements, for what purpose, for what duration and at what cost for the full financial year ending 30 June 2019 and for the period from 1 July 2019 to 31 March 2020?

Individual business units utilise employment agencies only in instances where the vacancy is deemed hard to fill or there are exceptional circumstances to backfill a short term vacancy. In these instances, individual procurement processes are followed to ensure the department is adhering to whole-of-government procurement policies.

Due to the individual nature of the procurement process, this data would require a significant level of administrative effort to respond.

7. How many locums have been employed, for what purpose, what duration and at what cost for the full financial year ending 30 June 2019 and for the period from 1 July 2019 to 31 March 2020?

Not applicable

8. How many positions had Special Measures applied when advertised for the full financial year ending 30 June 2019 and for the period from 1 July 2019 to 31 March 2020?

For the financial year ending 30 June 2019, there were 1280 positions advertised with special measures applied.

For the period 1 July 2019 to 31 March 2020, 883 positions were advertised with special measures applied.

9. How many positions that had Special Measures applied, as referred to in the question above, had to be re-advertised due to the initial process not securing suitable candidates?

Due to the volume of positions advertised with special measures applied, this data would require a significant level of administrative effort to respond.

10. How many grievances have arisen as a direct result of the Special Measures program since 1 July 2019. Of these, how many remain unresolved?

A whole-of-government response to Question 10 will be provided by the Minister for Public Employment.

### **OUTSOURCING**

11. For the period beginning 1 July 2019 and ending 31 March 2020, detail any decision(s) to outsource, contract out or privatise functions that have traditionally been carried out by the Agency. Is consideration being given to outsource, contract-out or privatise in financial year 2020/21? If so, provide details.

Nil response for the period 1 July 2019 to 31 March 2020.

### **LEGAL EXPENSES**

- 12. What has been the expenditure on legal advice or related expenses for the financial year 2019/20? Provide details on:
  - a) The matter(s) (designate which ones are finalised and which ones are ongoing)
  - b) The amount paid by matter
  - c) The amount paid to each outside legal firm or barrister engaged

The expenditure on external legal advice or related expenses for the period 1 July 2019 to 31 March 2020 was \$109 166.

a) and b)

Providing details in relation to the nature of the matters and those that are finalised has the potential to prejudice the interests of the Northern Territory and other parties.

c) The amount paid to each outside legal firm or barrister engaged:

Legal Firm/Barrister	Amount \$
Hunt & Hunt	980
Information Consultants Pty Ltd	4 405
JKW Law Practice	1 925
Mary Chalmers Barrister	4 500
Minter Ellison Lawyers	2 791
Sparke Helmore Lawyers	68 781
Tom Anderson, Barrister	11 600
Ward Keller Pty Ltd	14 184
Total	109 166

### PROCUREMENT / CONSULTANCIES

- 13. For the period beginning 1 July 2019 and ending 31 March 2020, please detail expenditure on each report and consultancy (excluding annual reports) that has been obtained from outside the NTPS. For each report/consultancy detail:
  - a) Purpose
  - b) Cost
  - c) Person or entity engaged
  - d) Whether the person or entity has their principal place of business in the Northern Territory or elsewhere (if elsewhere, please provide the address of the principal place of business of the person or entity)

- e) Whether a report has been tabled in the Legislative Assembly as a result of the report or consultancy
- f) Outcomes or key performance indicators for the report or consultancy
- g) Whether tenders or expressions of interest were invited prior to work on the report or consultancy being undertaken

The total expenditure on consultancies for the period 1 July 2019 to 31 March 2020 was \$442 185. Details of this expenditure are at Attachment A.

14. Please detail expenditure paid, or expected to be paid, to Hawker Britton and/or associated entities for the period beginning 1 July 2019 and ending 31 March 2020. Outline the tasks performed.

Nil response.

15. How many contracts and tenders have been awarded to business entities with their principal place of business in the Northern Territory so far, and what works have been undertaken?

Seventeen contracts have been awarded to Territory Enterprises.

16. How many contracts have been awarded to business entities with a principal place of business outside the Northern Territory for the period beginning 1 July 2019 and ending 31 March 2020? Detail the work being undertaken by each business entity and the selection criteria for the successful business entity on the applicable contract or tender.

Fourteen contracts have been awarded to non-Territory Enterprises.

17. For Tier 3, Tier 4 and Tier 5 procurement activities, how many public quotations were undertaken during the period beginning 1 July 2019 and ending 31 March 2020?

Two contracts have been awarded, having undertaken a public quotation process.

18. For Tier 3, Tier 4 and Tier 5 procurement activities, how many contracts or tenders were awarded without undertaking a public quotation process during the period beginning 1 July 2019 and ending 31 March 2020?

One contract has been awarded, having not undertaken a public quotation process.

- 19. For each instance identified in the question above, where a public quotation process was not undertaken, including for Certificates of Exemption:
  - a) What is the description of the goods and services contracted?
  - b) What is the value of the goods and services contracted?
  - c) What was the reason for not using the public quotation process or for requiring a Certificate of Exemption?
  - d) Who recommended the course of action in c) above?
  - e) Who approved the course of action in c) above?
  - a) Darwin Consultancy Provision of Leadership Strategy
  - b) \$287 000
  - c) Suppliers are required to have significant knowledge and expertise in the educational sector
  - d) This information will not be provided
  - e) Deputy Chief Executive, Education NT
- 20. Please advise the total number of NTG Corporate Credit Cards within the Agency, including the position titles and levels of the staff holding the corporate credit cards for the purchase of goods and/or services as at 31 March 2020.

There were 41 cardholders as at 31 March 2020. Details are provided at Attachment B.

### **FOCUS GROUPS / POLLING / SURVEYS**

21. Please detail expenditure during the period beginning 1 July 2019 and ending 31 March 2020 on opinion polls and focus groups, including costs and entities that conducted the work.

The Department of Education spent a total of \$23 793 on opinions polls and focus groups during the period of 1 July 2019 – 31 March 2020 as detailed below:

 Education Services Australia (ESA) subscription and associated services (\$23 517)

Subscription to use the School Survey tool developed by ESA. The survey is mandatory for government schools to run for parents, staff and students.

Survey Monkey subscription (\$276)

Subscription to Survey Monkey which is used across the agency for a number of internal surveys as well as community and stakeholder engagement surveys/opinion polls 22. Please provide copies of the surveys identified in the question above and detail all surveys undertaken, their form, the cost and what inducements were provided to incentivise participation during the period beginning 1 July 2019 and ending 31 March 2020.

### **School Survey 2019 (Education Services Australia)**

- The annual School Survey collects the opinions of students, families and staff about school performance, culture and services.
- The survey was conducted from 12 31 August 2019.
- 14 207 respondents completed the school survey (7330 students, 4433 parents/carers, 2444 school-based staff)
- The results of the survey will be used to inform school improvement planning, improve student outcomes and meet student, parent and staff expectations.
- Feedback will be shared with school communities so they can gain a deeper understanding of their school, what it does well and where it can improve.
- There were no inducements associated with the survey.
- Attachment C provides further details.

### **COMMUNICATIONS AND MARKETING**

- 23. Please detail expenditure on advertising and communications during the period beginning 1 July 2019 and ending 31 March 2020. For each advertisement for which an expense was incurred:
  - a) What was the purpose / description of the advertisement?
  - b) Who was the advertisement placed with, i.e. media outlet, newspaper, and television station or similar?
  - c) What was the total production cost, including, but not limited to, design, commissions, and placement costs?
  - d) Were tenders or expressions of interest called? If not, why not?

The total advertising and communications expenditure from 1 July 2019 – 31 March 2020 was \$164 519.65.

The below table details the advertising expenditure undertaken by the Department of Education from 1 July 2019-31 March 2020.

DESCRIPTION (a)	ADVERTISEMENT PLACEMENT (b)	COST (c)	EOI CALLED (d) Yes/No, if No why?
Back to School Campaign To advise of school term dates and promote the benefits of attending school	Newspapers, TV and radio stations including: Nine Darwin Territory FM CAAMA Radio Darwin TV Hot 100 FM Mix 104.9FM NT News Centralian Advocate Tennant Creek and District Times Katherine Times	\$36 488.38	No Advertising booked via Atomic 212, WOG booking service.
Teach in the Territory Campaign Advertising promoting Department and Northern Territory as a place to work.	Newspaper and online platforms including, but not limited to: Career One Seek Koori Mail NT News LinkedIN	\$19 968.68	No Advertising booked via Atomic 212, WOG booking service.
Recruitment Recruitment Advertisements for identified hard to recruit positions – 38 in total	Newspapers and online platforms including, but not limited to: Career One Seek LinkedIN NT News	\$71 884.51	No Advertising booked via Atomic 212, WOG booking service.
Bereavement Notices Publication of notices for staff bereavements.	NT News  Centralian Advocate	\$541.52	No Advertising booked via Atomic 212, WOG booking service.
Katherine Schools Feature	Katherine Times	\$12 489.41	No Advertising booked via Atomic 212, WOG booking service.
Northern Territory Certificate of Education and Training Feature Advertising feature through local newspaper to promote Year 12 student results	NT News	\$1 945.01	No Advertising booked via Atomic 212, WOG booking service. Ad artwork was designed in-house.

DESCRIPTION	ADVERTISEMENT PLACEMENT	COST (c)	EOI CALLED (d)
(a)	(b)		Yes/No, if No why?
Zuccoli Primary School – enrolment drive	NT News	\$4 884.52	No Advertising booked via Atomic 212, WOG booking service. Ad artwork was designed in-house.
Aboriginal Scholarship Campaign	NT News and Radio including: Territory FM CAAMA Radio Hot 100 FM Mix 104.9FM	\$12 138.65	No Advertising booked via Atomic 212, WOG booking service.
Ludmilla Primary School – enrolment drive	NT News	\$1 395.00	No Advertising booked via Atomic 212, WOG booking service. Ad artwork was designed in-house.
Early Childhood Education and Care feature	NT News	\$3 062.97	No Advertising booked via Atomic 212, WOG booking service. Ad artwork was designed in-house.

### **TRAVEL**

- 24. Please provide the total expenditure and itemised details of travel, including, but not limited to travel-related costs such as accommodation, travel allowance, entertainment, car rental, meals and incidentals, in each Agency and authority for the period beginning 1 July 2019 and ending 31 March 2020 broken down to:
  - a) International travel
  - b) Interstate travel
  - c) Intrastate travel

Travel for the period beginning 1 July 2019 and ending 31 March 2020 is provided below.

Travel Type	Amount in \$000
International travel	\$25
Interstate travel	\$484
Intrastate travel	\$3 876
Total	\$4 385

25. In the case of international travel identified in response to the question above, please provide the purpose, itinerary, persons and costs involved in each trip.

A list of international travel, including cost and purpose, is at Attachment D.

26. Please provide itemised details and itemisation of costs of all travel undertaken by the Minister that was paid for by the Agency or authority, including travel on charters during the period beginning 1 July 2019 and ending 31 March 2020.

Nil.

### **HOSPITALITY / FUNCTIONS AND EVENTS**

27. Please provide full details of all public service hospitality provided for the period beginning 1 July 2019 and ending 31 March 2020.

In relation to each occasion on which official hospitality was undertaken:

- a) What was the purpose of the hospitality?
- b) How many guests attended?
- c) How many Ministers attended?
- d) How many Ministerial staff attended?
- e) How many MLAs attended?
- f) How many Public Sector employees attended?
- g) What was the total cost incurred?

A list is provided at Attachment E.

### **GRANTS AND DONATIONS**

## 28. Please detail expenditure on grants and donations paid by your Agency (including the recipient of each grant) during the period beginning 1 July 2019 and ending 31 March 2020.

Grants and donations paid by the Department of Education for the period beginning 1 July 2019 and 31 March 2020:

Grants Paid	1 Jul 2019 to 31 Mar 2020 Amount \$
Non-Government Schools*	222 564 915
Government Schools**	95 442 100
Charles Darwin University	11 253 288
NT Families & Individuals	7 322 971
Early Childhood Services Subsidy	3 676 503
Girls Academy	826 245
NT Council of Government School Organisations (NTCOGSO)	540 000
School Sport NT	540 000
Stars Foundation Limited	508 530
Aviation Australia Pty Ltd	354 203
St Joseph's Catholic Flexible Learning Centre Youth Plus	300 000
Transforming Training	207 655
Professional Teachers' Association of the NT	200 000
Down Syndrome Association of the NT	190 000
Duke of Edinburgh's Awards (NT Division) Inc	182 272
Australian Fisheries Academy Ltd	165 453
AFL Northern Territory Ltd	122 500
Housing Industry Association	115 881
Total Recreation NT Inc	100 000
Clontarf Foundation	95 359
Autism Northern Territory	95 000
Swinburne University of Technology	85 918
Ripponlea Institute Pty Ltd	77 190
Tiwi Islands Shire Council	74 545
GTNT Group	68 727
Royal Life Saving Society Australia NT Branch Inc	60 000
Murin Association Inc	59 091
SEDA Group	56 715
Connect'N'Grow Pty Ltd	55 059
Vision Australia	53 000
Guide Dogs Association	50 000
Fox Education And Consultancy	48 567

Carey Training Pty Ltd	44 032
Batchelor Institute of Indigenous Tertiary Education	36 051
Child Australia	32 327
Australian Children's Television Foundation	29 738
Board of the Museum and Art Gallery of the NT	28 000
Train Safe NT Pty Ltd	25 907
Central Australian Community Toy Library Inc	25 000
Centre for Appropriate Technology Ltd	18 304
Atyenhenge-Atherre Aboriginal Corporation	15 000
Kentish Lifelong Learning and Care Inc	13 636
Nhulunbuy Child Care Services Inc	13 636
Murrupurtiyanuwu Catholic Primary School	12 200
Darwin Toy Library Inc	10 000
Gundjeihmi Aboriginal Corporation	10 000
Catholic Church Of The Diocese Of Darwin	8 669
Management Consulting Alliance Pty Ltd	8 160
Kingdom Kids Early Learning Centre Marrara	7 536
Alyangula Day Care Inc	437
Youthworx NT	130
Total***	345 830 450

<sup>\*</sup>Includes Commonwealth Student First funding (\$181M), where the NTG acts as a 'post-box' arrangement for the distribution of grants to non-government schools.

# 29. Please detail the funds utilised to distribute awards and sponsorships in the period beginning 1 July 2019 and ending 31 March 2020. Indicate which awards and sponsorships were managed by Regional Offices. What is anticipated for the 2020/21 financial year?

During the period 1 July 2019 to 31 March 2020, the Department of Education provided funding for awards totalling \$6 750. Awards are funded by both NT Government and the Commonwealth Government. Funding for the awards were all managed centrally. The anticipated budget for 2020-21 is \$7000.

30. Please detail the amounts paid on grants to non-Government organisations for the period beginning 1 July 2019 and ending 31 March 2020, including to which organisation and the services to be provided?

Grants paid by the Department of Education to non-government organisations for the period beginning 1 July 2019 and ending 31 March 2020 is at Attachment F.

<sup>\*\*</sup>This amount represents funds paid to schools and includes the amount schools have elected to take via a cash grant under the School Resourcing Model.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Excludes awards refer to question 29 below.

### MEDIA MONITORING SERVICES

31. Provide expenditure details on media monitoring services for the period beginning 1 July 2019 and ending 31 March 2020 (including entities engaged and who utilises the service).

The Department of Education contributed a total of \$16 500 towards the shared government media monitoring services Isentia for the period of 1 July 2019 – 31 March 2020.

The Isentia Mediaportal is utilised by the department's Communications and Media personnel and senior executives for the purposes of performing their day-to-day duties.

### **INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS**

32. How many projects have been submitted or are in the process of being submitted to Infrastructure Australia to be considered for the Infrastructure Priority List?

A whole-of-government response to Question 32 will be provided by the Minister for Trade and Major Projects.

33. Please provide details of newly committed projects for the period beginning 1 July 2019 and ending 31 March 2020.

A whole-of-government response to Question 33 will be provided by the Minister for Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics.

34. Please provide details of contracts awarded to interstate firms, for what purpose, the cost and why a Territory firm was not chosen.

A whole-of-government response to Question 34 will be provided by the Minister for Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics.

### **GOVERNMENT LEASED BUILDINGS**

## 35. What is the total annual power bill of each Government building owned/leased/used by each Department for the period beginning 1 July 2019 and ending 31 March 2020?

Total annual power bill for the period beginning 1 July 2019 and ending 31 March 2020 is provided below:

Department of Education Buildings	Total \$
Alice Springs Plaza	14 627
Anzac Hill Precinct	67
Educational Store, Alice Springs	616
Educational Store, Tennant Creek	1 098
Ethos House, NT COGSO	6 290
Katherine Training Centre	6 319
Mitchell Centre <sup>1</sup> , Darwin	80 778
Palmerston and Rural Regional Office, Goyder Centre	11 755
Regional Director's Office, Tennant Creek	1 585
Satellite To All Remote Sites (STARS)	11 496
Tennant Creek Training Centre	69 971
Top End School of Flexible Learning	4 881
Transition Support Unit, Winnellie	4 675
Warehouse, Nhulunbuy	134
Total power costs for Department of	
Education-leased buildings <sup>2</sup>	\$274 292

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Mitchell Centre is leased tenancy, power costs are included in the lease costs. Reported costs relate to afterhours usage.

## 36. What is the total annual leased space of each Government building used by each Agency/authority and at what cost for the period beginning 1 July 2019 and ending 31 March 2020?

A whole-of-government response to Question 36 will be provided by the Minister for Corporate and Information Services.

### 37. How much Government owned or leased premises or office space is currently under-utilised (at less than 100 per cent occupied) or vacant?

A whole-of-government response to Question 37 will be provided by the Minister for Corporate and Information Services.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Schools are excluded as they are separate legal entities under the *Education Act 2015* and their power costs are reported in their respective annual Financial Statement on a calendar year basis

### **FEES AND CHARGES**

38. Please detail the statutory or legislative fees and charges levied by your Agency/authority, the revenue raised in the 2019/20 financial year and whether any of these fees and charges was increased following the passage of the 2019/20 financial year budget.

Fees and charges levied by the Department of Education during the period 1 July 2019 to 31 March 2020 are detailed in Attachment G. Revenue raised from fees and charges for the period 1 July 2019 to 31 March 2020 was \$1 086 606.

There were no increases to non-government school registration application fees levied by the *Education Act 2015*, located in the relevant regulations at: <a href="https://legislation.nt.gov.au/en/Legislation/EDUCATION-REGULATIONS-2015">https://legislation.nt.gov.au/en/Legislation/EDUCATION-REGULATIONS-2015</a>

There were increases to Teacher Registration Fees levied by the *Teacher Registration (Northern Territory) Act* and are able to be located in the relevant regulations at: https://legislation.nt.gov.au/api/sitecore/Act/PDF?id=12200

<u>International student fees</u> were increased from January 2020 and accommodation placement fees and international student administration fees were introduced from January 2020, consistent with section 67(1) and regulation 14 of the *Education Act* 2015 (NT).

There were increases to Early Childhood Registration Fees levied by the department, as determined by the Australian Children's Education and Care Quality Authority (ACECQA). These fees are published on the ACECQA website:

https://www.acecqa.gov.au/resources/applications/indexation-of-fees

There were also increases in the following fees:

- Copy or extract from Register of approved providers and education and care services (electronic copy)
- Application for qualification to be assessed for inclusion on lists of approved qualifications
- Application for determination of equivalent qualification.

\*Wherever possible, the department takes into consideration the affordability of its fees and charges and where increases occur, this has been to off-set increased costs, such as indexation.

### INTERNAL AUDITS

### 39. How many internal audits and financial investigations were conducted in the period beginning 1 July 2019 and ending 31 March 2020?

Four internal audits were conducted during the period 1 July 2019 to 31 March 2020:

- Student Enrolment and Attendance Data Student Records completed in January 2020
- Official Travel completed in February 2020
- Procurement and Value for Territory completed in March 2020
- Review of Delegations completed in March 2020.

### 40. What were the terms of reference or focus for each investigation?

Internal audit/investigation	Terms of Reference or focus
Student Enrolment and Attendance Data – Student Records	The focus of the Student Records audit was to test the accuracy, currency and completeness of data in student record folders in the Student Administration Management System (SAMS) and the adequacy and effectiveness of processes and controls in place.
Official Travel	The focus of the internal Official Travel audit was to determine whether official travel complied with the Department of Education official travel policy and the Northern Territory Government travel policy framework.
Procurement and Value for Territory	The focus of the internal Procurement and Value for Territory audit was to determine compliance with the procurement rules relating to the Buy Local Plan and to assess the efficiency and effectiveness of the department's implementation of the Buy Local Plan.
Review of Delegations	The focus of the Review of Delegations audit was to determine whether powers from the Education Act 2015 and Education and Care Services (National Uniform Legislation) Act 2011 have been delegated to relevant department employees effectively and exercised in line with administrative legal requirements.

41. Please provide detail of any fraud, anomalies, breaches of financial legislation or Northern Territory Government policy and procedures exposed by the audits and financial investigations.

The internal Student Enrolment and Attendance Data – Student Records audit did not identify any fraud or serious breaches of financial legislation, policies or procedures.

The internal Official Travel audit did not identify any fraud or serious breaches of financial legislation, policies or procedures. The audit identified five non-compliance findings out of 43 compliance tests where the paperwork was not completed in accordance with the policies.

The internal Procurement and Value for Territory audit did not identify any fraud or serious breaches of financial legislation, policies or procedures. The audit identified four non-compliance findings out of 61 samples tested where the paperwork was not completed in accordance with the policies.

The internal Review of Delegations audit did not identify any fraud or serious breaches of financial legislation, policies or procedures.

### **BOARDS / ADVISORY BODIES**

- 42. Please detail all boards and advisory bodies in your Agency in 2019/20, also providing the following information:
  - a) The Terms of Reference, if changed from last year
  - b) The current members and when they were appointed
  - c) The total remuneration paid to each Board member during the 2019/20 financial year
  - d) The itemised total cost incurred by the Board during the 2019/20 financial year
  - e) The number of times the Board met during the period beginning 1 July 2019 and ending 31 March 2020
  - 42(a) A response is provided at Attachment H and Attachment I.
  - 42(b) A response is provided at Attachment H.
  - 42(c) This information will not be provided.
  - 42(d) A response is provided at Attachment H.
  - 42(e) A response is provided at Attachment H.

### **REVIEWS AND INQUIRIES**

- 43. Details of all reviews and inquiries completed or commenced during the 2019/20 financial year, also providing the following information:
  - a) The Terms of Reference
  - b) The criteria for selection of all panel members
  - c) The composition, qualifications and state or territory of residence of the persons undertaking the review/inquiry
  - d) The cost of the review/inquiry

- e) How the information was/is accumulated to contribute to the review/inquiry
- f) If completed, when, the outcome and whether the report has been tabled in the Legislative Assembly
- g) If not completed when this is expected

### Development of Strategic Business Risk Assessment and Internal Audit Plan

- (a) The terms of reference were to identify and document the key strategic business risks for the department in the context of the newly defined strategic goals, set out in the *Strategic Framework and Education NT Strategy 2019-2022*.
- (b) The selection criteria for the reviewer was through a procurement process on the basis of the following criteria: specific expertise, timeliness/availability, value for money, and knowledge and understanding of the Territory context.
- (c) KPMG was selected to undertake the review. The firm has a registered office in the Northern Territory.
- (d) There was no cost for the review in the current period.
- (e) The review included consultation with internal stakeholders including the Education Executive Board, senior executives and key department personnel.
- (f) The review was completed in November 2019.

### Review of non-government school funding arrangements

- (a) The terms of reference were to review non-government school funding arrangements and develop a new contemporary funding model that is transparent, sustainable, equitable, needs-based and easy for schools to understand.
- (b) The selection criteria for the reviewer was established through a procurement process and focused on their expertise in funding models.
- (c) The advisory firm MCA Pty Ltd was selected to undertake the review. The firm is based in the Northern Territory.
- (d) The cost of the review for the period was \$32 800.
- (e) The review included a questionnaire, consultation workshops and a desktop review.
- (g) The review is due for completion in June 2020.

### Provision of a future focused governance model

- (a) The terms of reference were to conduct a desktop review to develop recommendations for a new governance model for the department.
- (b) The selection criteria for the reviewer was established through a procurement process and focused on previous experience, and suitably qualified personnel.
- (c) The advisory firm Board Matters was selected to undertake the review. The firm has a registered office in Queensland.
- (d) There was no cost for this consultancy in the current period.
- (e) The review included consultation with key stakeholders and desktop review.
- (g) The overarching review is scheduled for completion in June 2020.

### **VET Quality Framework – Registered Training Organisation (RTO) ASQA Audit**

- (a) The terms of reference were to assess compliance with the standards for registered training organisations.
- (b) The selection criteria for the reviewer was expertise and qualifications as an Australian Skills Quality Authority (ASQA) auditor.
- (c) ASQA auditor, Carol Hunter undertook the review. The firm is based in Queensland.
- (d) The cost of the review for the current period was \$6556.
- (e) The review included on-site consultation and a desktop audit.
- (f) The review was completed in October 2019.

### **Child and Family Centre Evaluation**

- (a) The terms of reference were to review the six existing Child and Family Centres (CFCs) focusing on their implementation and operation. This included current operations and considerations for the establishment of three CFCs in new locations.
- (b) The selection criteria for the reviewer, established through a procurement process were: a strong background in qualitative and mixed methods research approaches, survey design and managing complex fieldwork; and expertise in child and family programs and services.

- (c) The Australian Institute of Family Studies was selected to undertake the review. It is based in Victoria.
- (d) There has been no cost for the review in the current period
- (e) The review included consultation with key stakeholders through site visits, qualitative interviews, a review of administrative data and data collection systems, and document review.
- (g) The review is scheduled for completion in July 2020.

### **National School Reform Agreement - Reporting Certification**

- (a) The terms of reference were to review the reporting of Other Expenditure for consistency with the agreed methodology outlined in the Northern Territory bilateral agreement.
- (b) The selection criteria for the reviewer, established through a procurement process were: local content, past performance, timeliness, capacity, and price.
- (c) Assurance Advisory Group was selected to undertake the review. The firm has a registered office in the Northern Territory.
- (d) The cost of the review for the current period was \$4 580.
- (e) The review was conducted by a desktop review.
- (f) The review was completed in December 2019.

### National School Reform Agreement - Reporting Certification - Government Schools NRIPS

- (a) The terms of reference were to review the reporting of Government Schools Net Recurrent Income and Net Recurrent Income per Student (NRIPS) expenditure for consistency with the agreed methodology outlined in the Northern Territory bilateral agreement.
- (b) The selection criteria for the reviewer, established through a procurement process were: local content, past performance, timeliness, capacity, and price.
- (c) Assurance Advisory Group was selected to undertake the review. The firm has a registered office in the Northern Territory.
- (d) There was no cost for the review in the current period.
- (e) The review was conducted by desktop review.

(f) The review was completed in February 2020.

### National School Reform Agreement - Reporting Certification - Non-Government Schools NRIPS

- (a) The terms of reference were to review the reporting of Non-Government Schools Net Recurrent Income and Net Recurrent Income per Student (NRIPS) expenditure for consistency with the agreed methodology outlined in the Northern Territory bilateral agreement.
- (b) The selection criteria for the reviewer, established through a procurement process were: local content, past performance, timeliness, capacity, and price.
- (c) Assurance Advisory Group was selected to undertake the review. The firm has a registered office in the Northern Territory.
- (d) There was no cost for the review in the current period.
- (e) The review was conducted by desktop review.
- (f) The review was completed in March 2020.

### Review the implementation of the Centralisation of Funding for Extended Personal Leave (EPL) Project (six month stage-gate review)

- (a) The terms of reference were to review the current state, including processes and workflows in relation to funding extended personal leave; interview key corporate and school stakeholders; consider data, reports and systems; and identify potential longer term feasibility and funding of centralising extended personal leave costs.
- (b) The selection criteria for the reviewer, established through a procurement process were: skills and experience of available team and price.
- (c) Merit Partners Pty Ltd was selected to undertake the review. The firm has a registered office in the Northern Territory.
- (d) The cost of the review for the current period was \$26 235.
- (e) The review was conducted by surveys and consultation with key stakeholders.
- (f) The review was completed in November 2019.

### **Review of School Sport NT Structural Alignment and Governance**

(a) The terms of reference were to review and identify the most appropriate legal entity and governance structure for School Sport NT (SSNT).

- (b) The selection criteria for the reviewer was established through a procurement process and focused on their expertise in public sector governance and local context.
- (c) The advisory firm MCA Pty Ltd was selected to undertake the review. The firm is based in the Northern Territory.
- (d) The cost of the review for the current period was \$6480.
- (e) The review included a desktop review and consultation with key stakeholders.
- (f) The review was completed in August 2019.

## Review undertaken into the department's response to two emergency events, Tropical Cyclone Trevor in March 2019 and bushfires impacting the Girraween School and Berry Springs School in September 2019

- (a) The terms of reference were to review the department's Emergency Management Framework and other relevant documentation; interview key managers and principals to determine what worked well and where improvements could be made; identify how the Emergency Management Framework applied; and provide recommendations for improvement.
- (b) The selection criteria for the reviewer, established through a procurement process, included experience in emergency management processes and reviews.
- (c) Warton Strategic was selected to undertake the review. The firm is based in the Northern Territory.
- (d) The cost for the review in the current period was \$22 012.
- (e) The review was conducted by consultation with key staff and documentation review.
- (f) The review was completed in December 2019.

### Undertake a review of the Katherine Housing Program to identify potential savings

- (a) The terms of reference were to identify potential savings in the Katherine Housing program, assess the impact on teachers, produce consultation material and a final report.
- (b) The selection criteria for the reviewer was through a procurement process on the basis of the following criteria: specific expertise, timeliness/availability, value for money, and knowledge and understanding of the Territory context.

- (c) Zed Consulting & Associates Pty Ltd was selected to undertake the review. The firm has a registered office in the Northern Territory.
- (d) The cost for the review in the current period was \$64 898.
- (e) The review included consultation with key stakeholders and document review.
- (f) The review was completed in September 2019.

### Undertake security review and risk assessment of Mitchell Centre Reception on level 10

- (a) The terms of reference were to provide expert advice regarding physical and operational changes that the department could implement to improve security of the reception area and the safety of the reception staff.
- (b) The selection criteria for the reviewer was through a procurement process on the basis of the following criteria: specific expertise in security, timeliness, availability and value for money.
- (c) Connley Walker Pty Ltd was selected to undertake the review. The firm has a registered office in the Northern Territory.
- (d) The cost for the review in the current period was \$6818.
- (e) The review included consultation with key stakeholders and document review.
- (f) The review was completed in February 2020.

### Position review - Jurisdictional analysis and reporting

- (a) The terms of reference were to conduct a Job Evaluation System (JES) review of principal positions, review current classifications and remuneration levels in other jurisdictions.
- (b) The selection criteria for the reviewer was through a procurement process on the basis of the following criteria: specific expertise in JES reviews, timeliness, availability and value for money.
- (c) Mercer Consulting (Australia) Pty Ltd was selected to undertake the review. The firm is based in Victoria.
- (d) The cost for the review in the current period was \$83 362.
- (e) The review included consultation with key stakeholders, surveys, interviews, focus groups and document review.

(g) The review is scheduled for completion in December 2020.

### Review of Human Resources Service delivery model and organisation design

- (a) The terms of reference were to conduct a detailed review of Human Resources Division to understand human resources service delivery, processes and procedures to improve effectiveness and efficiency.
- (b) The selection criteria for the reviewer was through a procurement process on the basis of the following criteria: specific expertise in human resources, timeliness, availability and value for money.
- (c) Mercer Consulting (Australia) Pty Ltd was selected to undertake the review. The firm is based in Victoria.
- (d) The cost for the review in the current period was \$39 124.
- (e) The review included consultation with key stakeholders, focus groups, interviews and document review.
- (f) The review was completed in August 2019.

### Work Health and Safety review of Juno Facility at Tennant Creek

- (a) The terms of reference were to review the work health and safety (WHS) policies and procedures at the Juno Centre, Tennant Creek, and compliance with relevant legislation and department requirements.
- (b) The selection criteria for the reviewer was through a procurement process on the basis of the following criteria: specific expertise in work health and safety, timeliness, availability and value for money.
- (c) Total Safety Solutions was selected to undertake the review. The firm has a registered office in the Northern Territory.
- (d) The cost for the review in the current period was \$8 218.
- (e) The review included a site inspection and document review.
- (f) The review was completed in January 2020.

### **Review of Haileybury Rendall School Funding Agreement**

- (a) The terms of reference were to review the school's current projection calculations for the 2020 and 2021 calendar years and provide recommendations to inform the department.
- (b) The selection criteria for the reviewer was through a procurement process on the basis of the following criteria: specific expertise, timeliness, availability, local content and value for money.
- (c) Management Consulting Alliance Pty Ltd was selected to undertake the review. The firm is based in the Northern Territory.
- (d) The cost for the review in the current period was \$1 000.
- (e) The review included consultation with key stakeholders and document review.
- (f) The review is scheduled for completion in June 2020.

### **Impact Assessment – Collaborative Impact Program**

- (a) The terms of reference were to review the program to assess impact through participant survey, lesson observations and targeted interviews.
- (b) The selection criteria for the reviewer was through a procurement process on the basis of the following criteria: specific expertise in data analysis, timeliness, availability and value for money.
- (c) Incept Labs Australia Pty Limited was selected to undertake the review. The firm is based in New South Wales.
- (d) The cost for the review in the current period was \$52 776.
- (e) The review included consultation with key stakeholders, surveys and document review.
- (g) The review is scheduled for completion in March 2021.

### **WORKPLACE HEALTH AND SAFETY**

44. Please provide the number, nature and cost of reportable safety issues for the period beginning 1 July 2019 and ending 31 March 2020.

For the period beginning 1 July 2019 and ending 31 March 2020, there were six reportable safety issues relating to a serious injury or illness or dangerous incident.

45. Please detail the number of stress related matters and claims for the period beginning 1 July 2019 and ending 31 March 2020.

For the period beginning 1 July 2019 and ending 31 March 2020, there were 15 stress related matters and 14 stress related claims.

### **REGIONAL OFFICES**

46. Please detail expenditure on staff located in regional offices across the Territory. Include the number of staff, their functions and outcomes achieved in the 2019/20 financial year. What are the locations for which they are responsible?

Support staff in six regional offices service 153 government schools across the Northern Territory:

Region <sup>1</sup>	Regional support staff as at 18/03/2020 <sup>2</sup>	Regional staff expenditure <sup>3</sup>
Alice	49	\$4.08M
Springs		·
Arnhem	22	\$1.92M
Barkly	24	\$2.09M
Darwin	29	\$2.58M
Katherine	43	\$3.36M
Palmerston	47	\$4.06M
and Rural		
Multiple	51	\$5.00M
region		
support		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Outcomes achieved specific to each region are outlined at Attachment J

Department of Education regional staff provide direct support to schools to ensure that all students, regardless of where they live, have the best opportunity to engage, grow and achieve. Within their teams, staff routinely provide support as outlined below.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> This measure based on staff actual Full-Time Equivalent (FTE). Further detail provided at Attachment K

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Based on FTE staffing costs.

### **ATTACHMENT A**

Total expenditure on consultancies for the period 1 July 2019 to 31 March 2020

Purpose (a)	Cost (b)	Person or entity engaged (c)	Principle place of business (d)	Report tabled in Legislative Assembly (e)	Outcomes or key performance indicators	Tenders or expressions of interest invited prior to work?
Position review, build intimal and train	<b>#02.200</b>	Margar Canaultin	Laval C. 70 Franklin Otres at		.,	(g)
Position review - Jurisdictional analysis and reporting.	\$83 362	Mercer Consulting (Australia) Pty Ltd	Level 6, 70 Franklin Street ADELAIDE SA 5000	No	Report on recommendations	Direct contracting in accordance with procurement rules.
Teacher Housing Subsidy Program Analysis – Financial modelling.	\$64 898	Zed Consulting & Associates Pty Ltd	43A Fullarton Road, Kent Town SA 5067	No	Produce a financial model, guidelines and final report.	Yes
Evaluation of the Provision of Collaborative Impact Framework, providing recommendations to enhance the quality of teaching and learning performance leading to improved student outcomes.	\$52 776	Incept Labs Australia Pty Limited	Suite 505, 35 Lime St, Sydney NSW 2000	No	Report on recommendations	Yes
Review of Human Resources Service delivery model and organisation design.	\$39 124	Mercer Consulting (Australia) Pty Ltd	Level 6, 70 Franklin Street ADELAIDE SA 5000	No	Report on findings and recommendations	Yes

Purpose (a)	Cost (b)	Person or entity engaged (c)	Principle place of business (d)	Report tabled in Legislative Assembly (e)	Outcomes or key performance indicators	Tenders or expressions of interest invited prior to work?
Timetable and staffing utilisation reviews on government schools, with recommendations provided to achieve resourcing efficiencies.	\$37 196	Eduvation	PO Box 767 Coolalinga NT 0839	No	Report on recommendations	Quotations obtained in accordance with procurement rules.
Develop options for a contemporary funding model for NT non-government schools.	\$32 800	Management Consulting Alliance Pty Ltd	GPO Box 2582 Darwin NT 0801	No	Report on options and develop funding model. (Consultancy not progressed).	Yes
Review the implementation of the Centralisation of Funding for Extended Personal Leave.	\$26 235	Merit Partners Pty Ltd	GPO Box 3470 Darwin NT 0801	No	Report on findings and recommendations	Yes
Undertake after action response review into the department's response to two emergency events: Tropical Cyclone Trevor in March 2019 and bushfires impacting the Girraween School and Berry Springs School to assist DoE in continuing to strengthen its emergency management framework and to prepare the EMC for emergency responses in the future.	\$22 012	Warton Strategic	PO Box 2656 Parap NT 0804	No	Report on findings and recommendations	Yes

Purpose (a)	Cost (b)	Person or entity engaged (c)	Principle place of business (d)	Report tabled in Legislative Assembly (e)	Outcomes or key performance indicators	Tenders or expressions of interest invited prior to work?
Develop and implement a Workplace Safety Management Plan risk registers, and design and develop a training program and deliver training.	\$16 709	Total Safety Solutions	12 Adams Rd Yarrawonga NT 0830	No	Develop and implement risk register. Design, develop and deliver training program.	Yes
Special investigation - Non-Government school	\$15 600	Management Consulting Alliance Pty Ltd	GPO Box 2582 Darwin NT 0801	No	Report on findings	Yes
Routine Assessment - Non-Government schools	\$10 832	Management Consulting Alliance Pty Ltd	GPO Box 2582 Darwin NT 0801	No	Report on findings	Yes
Develop a risk register for the establishment of a new school at Zuccoli. This included the interface between operational and infrastructure delivery to ensure a successful outcome.	\$9 455	KPMG Australia	18 Smith Street Darwin NT 0800	No	Develop risk register for the project oversight group to manage risks.	Yes
WH&S review of Juno Facility at Tennant Creek	\$8 218	Total Safety Solutions	12 Adams Road Yarrawonga NT 0830	No	Report on findings and recommendations	Quotation obtained in accordance with procurement rules.

Purpose (a)	Cost (b)	Person or entity engaged (c)	Principle place of business (d)	Report tabled in Legislative Assembly (e)	Outcomes or key performance indicators	Tenders or expressions of interest invited prior to work?  (g)
Undertake security review and risk assessment of Mitchell Centre Reception on level 10, to obtain expert advice regarding physical and operational changes that DoE could implement to improve security of the reception area and the safety of the reception staff.	\$6 818	Connley Walker Pty Ltd	11 Louise Street Brighton East VIC 3187	No	Report on recommendations	Yes
Review structural alignment and governance of School Sport NT.	\$6 480	Management Consulting Alliance Pty Ltd	GPO Box 2582 Darwin 0801	No	Report on findings and recommendations	Yes
Develop and implement new operating model for "The Three Year Old Kindy".	\$5 520	Business & Community Developments	PO Box 1547 Nightcliff NT 0810	No	Report on recommendations	Quotation obtained in accordance with procurement rules.
Special Investigation - Government school	\$3 150	Debbie Wilson & Associates Pty Ltd	PO Box 39698 Winnellie NT 0821	No	Report on findings	Quotation obtained in accordance with procurement rules.
Review of Non-Government school Funding Agreement.	\$1 000	Management Consulting Alliance Pty Ltd	GPO Box 2582 Darwin NT 0801	No	Report on findings	Yes
Total	\$442 185					

### **ATTACHMENT B**

### List of positions and level of the staff holding a corporate credit card as at 31 March 2020.

	Position Title	Level
1	Administration Assistant	A02
2	Administration Officer	A02
3	Administrative Support Officer	A02
4	Communication and Compliance Officer	A03
5	Divisional Travel Officer	A03
6	Project Assistant	A03
7	Registration and Administration Assistant	A03
8	Administrative Support Officer	A03
9	Divisional Travel Officer	A03
10	Travel and Relocation Officer	A03
11	Travel Officer	A03
12	Administration Officer	A04
13	Business Services Officer	A04
14	Executive Assistant	A04
15	Executive Assistant	A04
16	Executive Assistant	A04
17	Finance and Operations Manager	A04
18	Industry Engagement Officer	A04
19	Project Officer	A04
20	Project Officer	A04
21	Project Officer	A04
22	Project Support Officer School and System Improvement	A04
23	Strategic Recruitment Assistant	A04
24	Support Officer Enterprise Project Management Office	A04
25	Business Manager Remote School	A05
26	Facilities and Operations Manager	A05
27	Finance Analyst	A05
28	Mentor	A05
29	Administration and Finance Manager	A05
30	Administration and Finance Manager North	A05
31	Business Manager Remote School	A05
32	Executive Officer Professional Teachers Association of the NT	A05
33	Facility Manager Katherine Training Centre	A06
34	Information and Liaison Officer	A06
35	Senior Executive Assistant	A06
36	Senior Registration and Office Manager	A06
37	Events Manager	A06
38	Acting Program Manager	A07
39	Manager Quality School Finance Support Darwin	A07
40	Senior Operations Officer	A07
41	Acting Director Quality School Systems and Support South	A/SA02

### ATTACHMENT C

### School Survey 2019 (Education Services Australia)

### 1. MANDATED STUDENT QUESTIONS

Student Survey					
Question type	Question	Response categories			
Demographic	Are you male or female? (optional)	Please select only ONE of the following:			
	2. What year level are you in?	Please select only ONE of the following:     Preschool     Transition     Year 1     Year 12			
	Are you of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin? (optional)	Please select only ONE of the following.  No Yes – Aboriginal Yes – Torres Strait Islander Yes – both Prefer not to answer			
National	My teachers expect me to do my best.      My teachers provide me with useful feedback about my sphere work.	Please select only ONE response for each item: • Strongly			
	about my school work.  6. Teachers at my school treat students fairly.	disagree     Disagree     Neither			
	7. My school is well maintained.	<ul><li>Agree</li><li>Strongly</li><li>agree</li></ul>			
	8. I feel safe at my school.				
	I can talk to my teachers about my concerns.				

	Student behaviour is well managed at my school.	
	11. I like being at my school.	
	12. My school looks for ways to improve.	
	13. My school takes students' opinions seriously	
	14. My teachers motivate me to learn.	
	<ol> <li>My school gives me opportunities to do interesting things.</li> </ol>	
Jurisdiction	16. My teachers make sure I understand the work I am asked to do.	Please select only ONE response for
	17. My teacher understands how I learn.	each item:  Strongly disagree
	18. My teacher supports me to set my own learning goals.	<ul><li>Disagree</li><li>Neither</li></ul>
	<ol><li>My teacher supports me to understand my learning data.</li></ol>	<ul><li>Agree</li><li>Strongly</li></ul>
	20. There are opportunities for me to be a leader at my school. (e.g in sports, as a house captain as a leader of a buddy class).	agree
	21. My school prepares me for my future.	
	22. I am supported by teachers and staff at the school to do my best.	
	23. I felt ready to start primary / middle / senior school.	
	24. There is an adult at my school who cares about me and knows me well.	
	25. My school values the language and cultural background of all students.	
	26. My school celebrates the success and achievement of students.	
	27. I know how to manage my emotions when I am upset.*	
	28. I have good friends that I care about.*	
	29. I know where to get help at school if I need it.*	
	30. I know how to communicate safely and respectfully when I am online.*	
	31. I plan to progress through school and finish Year 12.*	
	32. Do you have any feedback on this survey? (optional)	Text box
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<sup>\*</sup>Questions added in the 2019 survey.

### 2. MANDATED PARENT QUESTIONS

	Parent Survey	
Question type	Question	Response categories
Demographic	What is the year level of the child you are considering when you answer this survey?	Please select only ONE of the following:  • Preschool  • Transition  • Year 1  • Year 12
	Are you of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin? (optional)	Please select only ONE of the following.  No Yes – Aboriginal Yes – Torres Strait Islander Yes – both Prefer not to answer
National	Teachers at this school expect my child to do his or her best.	Please select only ONE response for
	Teachers at this school provide my child with useful feedback about his or her school work.	each item:  • Strongly disagree
	5. Teachers at this school treat students fairly.	<ul><li>Disagree</li><li>Neither</li></ul>
	6. This school is well maintained.	<ul><li>Agree</li><li>Strongly</li><li>agree</li></ul>
	7. My child feels safe at this school	, and the second
	I can talk to my child's teachers about my concerns.	
	Student behaviour is well managed at this school	
	10. My child likes being at this school.	
	11. This school looks for ways to improve.	
	12. This school takes parents' opinions seriously.	
	13. Teachers at this school motivate my child to learn.	
	14. My child is making good progress at this school.	
	15. My child's learning needs are being met at this school.	
	16. This school works with me to support my child's learning.	

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at the school. (e.g school curriculum, after school program, wellbeing programs, building works).	Please select only ONE response for each item:  • Strongly
18. 19. I know how to support my child's learning and development,	disagree • Disagree
19. My school shares data to inform me about my child's learning in a way that I can understand.	<ul><li>Neither</li><li>Agree</li><li>Strongly agree</li></ul>
20. My child was well supported to transition into primary / middle / senior school.	
21. My child was well supported to start school this year.	
22. I have opportunities to have a say in the direction of the school and its education programs.	
23. I would recommend this school to other parents.	
24. My child knows how to manage their emotions.*	
25. My child has good friends that they care about.*	
26. My child knows where to get help at school if they need it.*	
27. My child knows how to communicate safely and respectfully online.*	
28. I would prefer the school to share information about my child's achievement with me (for example their attendance and NAPLAN results).*	Please select ALL that apply.  Online Via e-mail Hard copy Through face-to-face discussion Other, please specify
29. Is the child you are answering this survey for in preschool?	Yes    No
If your child is not in preschool, please skip the next 4 questions.	
30. What hours does your preschool operate?	<ul> <li>2 ½ days per week</li> <li>3 hours a day for 5 days</li> <li>Other, please specify</li> </ul>
31. How satisfied with these hours of operation are you?	Please select only ONE response for each item:
32. How satisfied overall with the preschool program are you?	Very     dissatisfied     Dissatisfied     Neutral
	school program, wellbeing programs, building works).  18. 19. I know how to support my child's learning and development,  19. My school shares data to inform me about my child's learning in a way that I can understand.  20. My child was well supported to transition into primary / middle / senior school.  21. My child was well supported to start school this year.  22. I have opportunities to have a say in the direction of the school and its education programs.  23. I would recommend this school to other parents.  24. My child knows how to manage their emotions.*  25. My child knows how to manage their emotions.*  26. My child knows where to get help at school if they need it.*  27. My child knows how to communicate safely and respectfully online.*  28. I would prefer the school to share information about my child's achievement with me (for example their attendance and NAPLAN results).*  29. Is the child you are answering this survey for in preschool?  If your child is not in preschool, please skip the next 4 questions.  30. What hours does your preschool operate?

	<ul><li>Satisfied</li><li>Very satisfied</li></ul>
33. Do you have any feedback about the hours or programming at your child's preschool?	Text box
34. Do you have any feedback on this survey? (optional)	Text box

<sup>\*</sup>Questions added in the 2019 survey.

# 3. MANDATED STAFF QUESTIONS

	Staff Survey					
Demographics	Question	Response categories				
	How many years have you been working in schools?	Please select only ONE of the following:				
	Are you of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin? (optional)	Please select only ONE of the following.  No Yes – Aboriginal Yes – Torres Strait Islander Yes – both Prefer not to say				
	Are you a full-time or part-time employee?	Full time     Part time				
	Which category best describes your employment?	<ul><li>Permanent</li><li>Fixed-term</li><li>Temporary/casual</li></ul>				
	5. Which best describes your position in the school?	<ul> <li>School leadership position</li> <li>Teaching position</li> <li>Non-teaching position</li> </ul>				
	6. What year level(s) do you teach?  Teaching positions only.	Please select ALL that apply:  Preschool Transition Year 1 Year 12				
Jurisdiction	7. Teachers at this school expect students to do their best.	Please select only ONE response for each item:				

	Teachers at this school provide students with useful feedback about his or her school work.	<ul><li>Strongly disagree</li><li>Disagree</li><li>Neither</li></ul>
	Teachers at this school treat students fairly.	<ul><li>Agree</li><li>Strongly agree</li></ul>
	10. My school is well maintained.	
	11. Students feel safe at this school.	
	12. Student behaviour is well managed at this school.	
	13. My school looks for ways to improve.	
	14. This school takes staff opinions seriously.	
	15. Teachers at my school motivate students to learn.	
	16. Students like being at my school.	
Jurisdiction	Our school has a clear vision and direction for school improvement.	Please select only ONE response for each item:
	18. I contribute to the school improvement agenda at my school.	<ul><li>Strongly disagree</li><li>Disagree</li><li>Neither</li></ul>
	19. The department supports our school to achieve its priorities.	<ul><li>Agree</li><li>Strongly agree</li></ul>
	20. The school has flexibility in the delivery of teaching and learning programs to suit the needs of the local community.	
	21. The school provides suitable programs or pathways for students in my class(es) to transition from primary to secondary school / from school to work or further education.	
	22. I have the opportunities to have a say in the direction of the school and its education program to the extent that I wish to.	
	23. Teachers at my school use data to inform their teaching.	
	24. I have a performance development plan that is supported by the school.	
	25. I have access to appropriate professional development to develop the knowledge and skills to effectively teach my students.	
	26. My school provides me with opportunities to develop my leadership capacity.	
	27. I regularly undertake collaborative activities with my peers (e.g planning, sharing resources, observing others' classrooms and teaching and personal learning communities).	

28. The students I teach are motivated to learn.	
29. This school cares about my wellbeing.	
30. I feel safe at this school.	
31. I would recommend this school as a workplace to others.	
32. I would recommend this school for others to enrol their children.	
33. Students are taught how to manage their emotions.*	
34. The school supports students to build positive relationships with their peers.*	
35. Students know where to get help at school if they need it.*	
36. Students are taught how to communicate safely and respectfully online.*	
37. Do you have any feedback on this survey? (optional)	Text box

<sup>\*</sup>Questions added in the 2019 survey.

#### ATTACHMENT D

# International travel details between 1 July 2019 and 31 March 2020

Travel From Date	Travel To Date	Traveller	Destination	Reason for Travel	Total Travel Cost to 31/03/2020
13/04/2019	19/04/2019	Trevor Read  Lynette English	Alice Springs; Darwin; Singapore; Darwin; Alice Springs Katherine; Darwin; Singapore; Darwin; Katherine	Appuial World Edul and Summit in Singapore	20,000
14/04/2019	19/04/2019	Kerry Hudson	Darwin; Singapore; Darwin	Annual World EduLead Summit in Singapore	\$6 669.66
14/04/2019 14/04/2019	18/04/2019 19/04/2019	Paul Nyhuis Aderyn Chatterton	Darwin; Singapore; Darwin  Darwin; Singapore; Darwin	-	
26/05/2019	30/05/2019	Debra Liddiard Stella Zhang	Darwin; Shenzhen; Singapore; Darwin	Promoting NTG within China, meeting with Chinese schools and Chinese education agents	\$3 335.74
6/10/2019	10/10/2019	Larni Montgomery	Darwin; Denpasar; Lombok; Singapore; Jakarta; Darwin	Vocational Education and Training Summit	\$2 399.72
23/10/2019	30/10/2019	Debra Liddiard	Darwin; Shenzhen; Beijing; Darwin	International Travel-Reaching South Event and Chinese Associate Teacher Program-Shenzhen and Beijing, China- 23-30 October 2019	\$8 433.10
23/10/2019	27/10/2019	Rick Collister	Darwin; Shenzhen; Darwin	Invitation to attend Reaching South showcase event in Shenzhen, hosted by DTBI	\$1 519.34
9/11/2019	15/11/2019	Donald Young	Darwin; Wellington; Auckland; Darwin	Travel to attend the National CIO Forum and NSIP Meeting. Travel includes the opportunity to visit NZ schools to view current operating models	\$2 941.89
TOTAL EXP		•	no month follow with in the comment fin		\$25 299.45

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Travel undertaken in previous financial year with payment falling within the current financial year

#### **ATTACHMENT E**

Hospitality	(a) What was the purpose?	(b) How many guests*?	(c) How many Ministers?	(d) How many Ministerial staff?	(e) How many MLAs?	(f) How many Public Sector employees attended?*	(g) Total cost
Chief Minister's Awards	Attendance at an event organised by the Department of the Chief Minister to recognise and reward excellence in the Northern Territory Public Sector	14*	Unknown <sup>1</sup>	Unknown <sup>1</sup>	Unknown <sup>1</sup>	56*	\$7 000
Chinese Delegation Functions	Welcome and farewell functions for Chinese delegates attending the annual forum, held under the 2016-2020 Framework for Collaboration memorandum of understanding	10	Nil	Nil	Nil	16	\$3 565
Henbury School luncheon	Main fundraising event for the school to support new and innovative programs that aim to further their students' learning and wellbeing	Unknown <sup>1</sup>	Unknown <sup>1</sup>	Unknown <sup>1</sup>	Unknown <sup>1</sup>	20*	\$2 864
NT Board of Studies	Annual presentations held in Darwin and Alice Springs to publicly recognise academic and vocational achievements of outstanding senior secondary students	Unknown <sup>1</sup>	Unknown <sup>1</sup>	Unknown <sup>1</sup>	Unknown <sup>1</sup>	Unknown <sup>1</sup>	\$5 229

Hospitality	(a) What was the purpose?	(b) How many guests*?	(c) How many Ministers?	(d) How many Ministerial staff?	(e) How many MLAs?	(f) How many Public Sector employees attended?*	(g) Total cost
NT Training Awards	To encourage and recognise senior secondary students who have demonstrated a high level of commitment, skill and achievement whilst undertaking a vocational education and training program as part of their Northern Territory Certificate of Education and Training	Unknown <sup>1</sup>	Unknown <sup>1</sup>	Unknown <sup>1</sup>	Unknown <sup>1</sup>	12	\$1 527
Two Retirement Functions	To recognise staff retiring with significant years of service or recognition of their contribution to the department or Northern Territory Public Sector	15	2	Nil	3 (inc Ministers)	32	\$946
2019 Leaders' Conference Networking Event	Education corporate leaders, school principals and teacher leaders collaborated and focussed on sustainable leadership practices to improve the quality of teaching	9	1	Unknown <sup>1</sup>	Unknown <sup>1</sup>	54	\$3 273
World Teachers' Day	To honour teachers and those who have made a special contribution to their school community	Unknown <sup>1</sup>	Unknown <sup>1</sup>	Unknown <sup>1</sup>	Unknown <sup>1</sup>	Unknown <sup>1</sup>	\$2 823

Hospitality	(a) What was the purpose?	(b) How many guests*?	(c) How many Ministers?	(d) How many Ministerial staff?	(e) How many MLAs?	(f) How many Public Sector employees attended?*	(g) Total cost
Recognising Service Milestones	Formal recognition of staff for their significant contributions to the department and broader Northern Territory Public Sector	Unknown <sup>1</sup>	Unknown <sup>1</sup>	Unknown <sup>1</sup>	Unknown <sup>1</sup>	Unknown <sup>1</sup>	\$155
2019 NTCET Awards	50% contribution towards an event organised by the Department of the Chief Minister to recognise the top 20 NT Certificate Education and Training students and top Aboriginal students	48	1	Unknown <sup>1</sup>	Unknown <sup>1</sup>	27	\$353
TOTAL							\$27 735 <sup>2</sup>

<sup>\*</sup> Information provided is for NT Department of Education and/or school council staff and invitees only

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> These were larger events with invitations to multiple staff or held in multiple regions – exact numbers of attendees are not known at this time and the administrative effort required to respond is excessive and would result in undue diversion of resources from service delivery

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Calculations are based on precise data and data is rounded for presentation, as such figures may not add due to rounding

#### ATTACHMENT F

Grants paid to non-government organisations		1 Jul 2019 to	1 Jul 2019 to
		31 Mar 2020	31 Mar 2020 Subtotal for
Organisation Name	Service Provided	Amount \$	Organisation \$
Non-Government Schools	Operational Grants	41 210 996	
Non-Government Schools	Commonwealth Students First Funding	181 033 253	
Non-Government Schools	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	289 990	
Non-Government Schools	VET In Schools	30 676	222 564 915
Charles Darwin University	Tertiary Providers Assistance	9 217 248	
Charles Darwin University	VET In Schools	1 999 527	
Charles Darwin University	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	35 390	
Charles Darwin University	Early Childhood Education & Care	1 124	11 253 288
NT Council Of Government School Organisations (NTCOGSO)	COGSO Regional Governance Officers	300 000	
NT Council Of Government School Organisations (NTCOGSO)	Grants to Education Organisations	240 000	540 000
Autism Northern Territory	Community Based Special Education Program	95 000	
Central Australian Community Toy Library Inc	Community Based Special Education Program	25 000	
Clontarf Foundation	Community Based Special Education Program	95 359	
Darwin Toy Library Inc	Community Based Special Education Program	10 000	
Down Syndrome Association of the NT Inc	Community Based Special Education Program	190 000	
Guide Dogs Association	Community Based Special Education Program	50 000	
Murrupurtiyanuwu Catholic Primary School	Community Based Special Education Program	12 200	
Royal Life Saving Society Australia NT Branch Inc	Community Based Special Education Program	60 000	
Total Recreation NT Inc	Community Based Special Education Program	100 000	
Vision Australia	Community Based Special Education Program	53 000	
Murin Association Inc	Community Support Program	59 091	

Grants paid to non-government organisations		1 Jul 2019 to 31 Mar 2020	1 Jul 2019 to 31 Mar 2020
Organisation Name	Service Provided	Amount \$	Subtotal for Organisation \$
Fox Education And Consultancy	VET in Schools	48 567	
GTNT Group	VET in Schools	68 727	
Housing Industry Association	VET in Schools	115 881	
Ripponlea Institute Pty Ltd	VET in Schools	77 190	
SEDA Group	VET in Schools	56 715	
Swinburne University of Technology	VET in Schools	85 918	
Train Safe NT Pty Ltd	VET in Schools	25 907	
Transforming Training	VET in Schools	207 655	
Youthworx NT	VET in Schools	130	
ABH Investments Pty Ltd	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	66 248	
Affinity Education Group Limited	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	244 777	
Alice Springs Childcare Centre	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	38 069	
Alice Springs Family Day Care Inc	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	20 053	
Alyangula Day Care Incorporated	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	31 444	
Arnhem Early Learning Centre	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	39 364	
Braitling Neighbourhood Centre	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	64 291	
Casuarina Childcare Centre Inc	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	39 857	
Central Australian Aboriginal Congress	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	66 753	
Central Australian Community Toy Library Inc	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	7 920	
Central Desert Shire Council	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	4 084	
Creative Kids Childcare Howard Springs	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	28 560	
Creative Kids Childcare Zuccoli	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	21 437	
Darwin Family Day Care Inc	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	110 231	
Dragonfly Play & Learn	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	11 121	
Dripstone Childrens' Centre Inc	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	63 649	

Grants paid to non-government organisations		1 Jul 2019 to 31 Mar 2020	1 Jul 2019 to 31 Mar 2020
Organisation Name	Service Provided	Amount \$	Subtotal for Organisation \$
FEL Childcare Centres Pty Ltd	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	56 617	
GAP Community Childcare Centre	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	53 893	
Goodstart Childcare Limited	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	642 642	
Gray Childcare Centre Inc	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	40 201	
Humpty Doo Community & Childcare Centre Inc	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	73 159	
Journey Early Learning Centre - Durack	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	94 068	
Katherine East Childcare	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	30 987	
Kentish Lifelong Learning And Care Inc	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	20 880	
La Creche	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	139 184	
Lil' Antz Pty Ltd	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	80 468	
Little Flyers Darwin	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	152 165	
Little Mangoes Pty Ltd	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	40 287	
Lutheran Childcare Centre	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	31 572	
Malak Family Centre	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	70 889	
Mission Australia	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	25 675	
Mitchell St Childcare Centre	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	50 964	
Mother Teresa Catholic Primary School	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	35 442	
Moulden Early Learning Centre	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	55 523	
Nhulunbuy Child Care Services Inc	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	31 586	
Nightcliff Family Centre Inc	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	55 921	
Nightcliff OSHC	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	184 527	
NT Explorers Pty Ltd	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	81 097	
One Tree Community Services Inc	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	84 939	
Parap Family Centre Incorporated	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	34 243	
Parent's Choice Family Day Care Pty Ltd	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	7 856	

Grants paid to non-government organisation	1 Jul 2019 to 31 Mar 2020	1 Jul 2019 to 31 Mar 2020 Subtotal for	
Organisation Name	Service Provided	Amount \$	Organisation \$
Preeti Kunj Childcare Centre	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	30 502	
Scallywags Childcare Centre	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	40 105	
Six Little Ducks Childcare	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	31 356	
St Mary's Catholic Primary School	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	25 025	
Stuart Park Childcare Centre	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	47 376	
Tennant Creek Childcare Centre	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	41 145	
The Three Year Old	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	14 974	
Tiny Town Children's Centre Pty Ltd	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	36 465	
Top End Early Learning Centre Inc	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	79 547	
West Arnhem Regional Council	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	19 556	
Woodroffe Child Care Centre	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	43 725	
Ymca Of The Northern Territory Ltd	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	157 459	
Yulara Child Care Centre Inc	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	20 764	
Zuccoli Early Learners Early Education Centre	Early Childhood Services Subsidy	55 861	
Total*		243 037 379	

 $<sup>{}^\</sup>star \text{Excludes Government Schools, NT Families \& Individuals and other Government Organisations}.$ 

# ATTACHMENT G

# **DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION Statutory fees and charges as at 31 March 2020**

Fee/Charge Description	\$
TEACHER REGISTRATION BOARD	
<b>Education</b>	
Teacher Registration Fees	
Application for Registration	
Charles Darwin University and Batchelor Institute of Indigenous Tertiary Education graduates	90.00
Mutual Recognition applicants	126.00
All other new applicants	138.00
Annual Registration Fee	
Annual fee	90.00
Authorisation	
Initial Authorisation Fee	139.00
Repeat Authorisation Fee	90.00
Miscellaneous Fees	
Letter of Professional Standing	28.00
Highly Accomplished and Lead Teacher Certification Stage 1	925.00
Highly Accomplished and Lead Teacher Certification Stage 2	900.00
Highly Accomplished and Lead Teacher Renewal	500.00
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION	
Early Childhood Registration Fee  Prescribed Fees	
Part 1 - Fees Relating To Provider Approvals, Service Approvals and Ratings	
Centre-based service (No. of approved places or places to be offered)	
Application for provider approval	227.00
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Application for service approval	
	454.00
Application for service approval	
Application for service approval - 24 places or fewer	682.00
Application for service approval  - 24 places or fewer  - 25 to 80 places	682.00
Application for service approval  - 24 places or fewer  - 25 to 80 places  - 81 or more places	454.00 682.00 910.00 206.00

Fee/Charge Description	\$
- 81 or more approved places	413.00
Notification of intended transfer of service approval	111.00
Application for service waiver	111.00
Application for temporary waiver	111.00
Application for extended temporary waiver	111.00
Application for reassessment and re-rating	
- 24 or fewer approved places	454.00
- 25 to 80 approved places	682.00
- 81 or more approved places	910.00
Application for review by Ratings Review Panel	
- 24 or fewer approved places	454.00
- 25 to 80 approved places	682.00
- 81 or more approved places	910.00
Family day care service (No. of family day care educators engaged by your registered service)	227.00
Application for provider approval	
Application for service approval	682.00
Annual fee – approved service	200.00
- 5 or fewer family day care educators	206.00
- 6 to 20 family day care educators	311.00
- 21 or more family day care educators	413.00
Notification of intended transfer of service approval	111.00
Application for service waiver  Application for temporary waiver	111.00
Application to extend temporary waiver	111.00
Application for reassessment and re-rating	111.00
- 5 or fewer family day care educators	454.00
- 6 to 20 family day care educators	682.00
- 21 or more family day care educators	910.00
Application for review by Ratings Review Panel	310.00
- 5 or fewer family day care educators	454.00
- 6 to 20 family day care educators	682.00
- 21 or more family day care educators	910.00
2. of more failing day care educators	310.00
Part 2 - Other Fees	
Copy or extract from Register of approved providers	

Fee/Charge Description	\$
- per page	5.00
- for an electronic copy	72.00
Copy or extract from Register of approved education and care services	
- per page	5.00
- for an electronic copy	72.00
Application for qualification to be assessed for inclusion on lists of approved qualifications	2 281.00
Application for determination of equivalent qualification	112.00
Freedom of Information Fee	
Application Fee of Freedom of Information request for Government Information	30.00
Processing Fee of Freedom of Information request for Government Information	25.00 per hour or part of an hour
Processing Fee of Freedom of Information for non-personal information - Searching for and retrieving information and returning it to storage (but not searching for misplaced information) and stored in secondary storage	Actual cost
Processing Fee of Freedom of Information for non-personal information - Considering and making decision in relation to application (including consultation)	25.00 per hour or part of an hour
Processing Fee of Freedom of Information for personal information - Supervising examination of information by applicant	25.00 per hour or part of an hour over 2 hours
Processing Fee of Freedom of Information for non-personal information - Supervising examination of information by applicant	25.00 per hour or part of an hour
Enrolment and Attendance	
Part 4 - Education Act provides for penalties to be applied for offences under the Act based on a number of penalty units	
For following breaches but not limited to:	
- Non Attendance, Compulsory Conference and Failure to Enrol	314.00

Fee/Charge Description		
International education		
Accommodation placement fee	200.00	
International student administration fee (one-off)	200.00	
Pre-school tuition fee (annual)	5 700.00	
Transition-Year 6 tuition fee (annual)	9 500.00	
Year 7-9 tuition fee (annual)	11 000 00	
Year 10-12 tuition fee (annual)		
Non-government schools		
Application fee for variation of registration	200 revenue units	

#### **ATTACHMENT H**

Board/advisory body name	Board/advisory body terms of reference (a)	Current members and date of their appointment (b)	Total cost incurred by board/advisory body in 2019-20 (as at 31/03/2020) (d)	No. of times board/advisory body met beginning 1 July 2019 and ending 31 March 2020 (e)
Non-Government School Ministerial Advisory Council	Terms of reference are at Attachment I.	Vicki Stokes Independent Chair 17/08/2018  Greg O'Mullane Catholic Education nominee 01/06/2018  Debra Twartz (until 13 September 2019) NT Christian Schools nominee 06/02/2015  Gail Barker Independent Schools nominee 25/11/2019  Rachel Boyce Lutheran Schools nominee 28/04/2017  Debra Liddiard-Taruminggi Department of Education nominee 25/11/2019  Gillian Sharkey Department of Education nominee 25/11/2019	\$700.00	3

Board/advisory body name	Board/advisory body terms of reference (a)	Current members and date of their appointment (b)	Total cost incurred by board/advisory body in 2019-20 (as at 31/03/2020) (d)	No. of times board/advisory body met beginning 1 July 2019 and ending 31 March 2020 (e)
Northern Territory Board of Studies	Education Act 2015, Part 3 Northern Territory Board of Studies – section 25 states: Functions of the Board The Board has the following functions: (a) to provide advice to the Minister and the CE on curriculum policy in relation to: (i) establishing and maintaining curriculum frameworks that address the needs of all students in the Territory school education system; and (ii) establishing and maintaining procedures for student assessment, reporting and certification; and (iii) monitoring, evaluating and reporting on student performance; and (iv) improving student outcomes; (b) to provide advice to the Minister and the CE on government policy affecting the Board's functions; (c) to cooperate and consult with bodies prescribed by regulation that are engaged in education or related matters.	Ralph Wiese Chair and expert member 01/07/2019  Leanne Nixon Department of Education nominee 11/06/2019  Cheryl Salter Association of Independent Schools of the Northern Territory nominee 31/12/2017  Jaqueline Langdon Catholic Education Office nominee 20/09/2019  Tabitha Fudge Parent representative 31/12/2017  Mary Ellen Venes Teacher representative 01/07/2019  Mark Monaghan Employer representative 01/07/2019	\$8 486.26	2

Board/advisory body name	Board/advisory body terms of reference (a)	Current members and date of their appointment (b)	Total cost incurred by board/advisory body in 2019-20 (as at 31/03/2020) (d)	No. of times board/advisory body met beginning 1 July 2019 and ending 31 March 2020 (e)
		Pauline Schober Aboriginal representative 01/07/2019		
		Rachel Boyce Expert member 01/07/2019		
		Charles Richardson Expert member 31/12/2017		
		Annette Gillanders Expert member 31/12/2017		
Teacher Registration Board of the Northern Territory	Teacher Registration (Northern Territory) Act 2004 – section 11 states: Function of Board: (1) The Board has the following functions:	Louise Corrigan Person nominated by the Chief Executive Officer (of Department of Education) 11/10/2018	\$10 838.71	6
	<ul> <li>(a) to administer the scheme of registration under Part 4;</li> <li>(b) to make recommendations to the Minister in relation to the minimum qualifications and other requirements for registration;</li> </ul>	Danielle Schmidt Registered teacher (based at a remote school) nominated by the NT Branch of the Australian Education Union 14/05/2019  Gordon Canning		

Board/advisory body name	Board/advisory body terms of reference (a)		Current members and date of their appointment (b)	Total cost incurred by board/advisory body in 2019-20 (as at 31/03/2020) (d)	No. of times board/advisory body met beginning 1 July 2019 and ending 31 March 2020 (e)
	(c)	to grant, if satisfied it is appropriate to do so, authorisation to a person to	Registered teachers nominated by the NT Branch of the Australian Education Union 11/10/2018		
		employ an unregistered person as a teacher;	Greg Hauser appointed		
	(d)	to accredit teacher	Indigenous registered teacher at a		
	(a)	education courses and	government school nominated by the Chief		
		liaise with institutions	Executive Officer (of Department of		
		providing accredited	Education)		
		education courses;	31/08/2018		
	(e)	to liaise with the Agency			
		administering the Education	Karen Blanchfield		
		Act 2015 in relation to	Registered teacher nominated by the Northern Territory Principals' Association		
		strategic priorities for professional development	11/10/2016		
		of teachers in the Territory;	11/10/2010		
	(ea)		Eunice Stoll		
	` ,	development of teachers in	Educator nominated by the Association of		
		the Territory and approve a	Independent Schools of the NT		
		framework for the	13/03/2020		
		professional development	Floring Barr		
	<b>(f</b> )	of teachers;	Elsabe Bott		
	(f)	to develop and approve professional teaching	Registered teacher nominated by the Independent Education Union		
		standards and other	11/10/2016		
		professional standards;	11110/2010		
	(g)	to develop and maintain a	Bernadette Morriss		
	(3)	code of professional ethics	Educator nominated by the Catholic		
		for the teaching profession;	Education Office		

Board/advisory body name	Board/advisory body terms of reference (a)		Current members and date of their appointment (b)	Total cost incurred by board/advisory body in 2019-20 (as at 31/03/2020) (d)	No. of times board/advisory body met beginning 1 July 2019 and ending 31 March 2020 (e)
	teachers ir relation to competend during the the teacher (i) to research best praction the Territo (ia) to support certify qual educational the Territo (j) to deal with about teach preliminary and inquirite teachers and disciplinary Part 6;	a, recognise and allity teaching and all leadership in very; h complaints chers, hold y investigations ies in relation to and take y action under ute offences is Act.	Greg Shaw Educator nominated by Charles Darwin University 11/10/2018  Marisa Boscato Person nominated by the NT Council of Government School Organisations 11/10/2018  Lorraine Hodgson Registered teacher nominated by the Professional Teachers' Association of the Northern Territory 11/10/2016  Michele Willsher Educator nominated by Batchelor Institute of Indigenous Tertiary Education 14/10/2019		

#### ATTACHMENT I

# NON-GOVERNMENT SCHOOL MINISTERIAL ADVISORY COUNCIL TERMS OF REFERENCE

#### 1. Role

The Non-Government School Ministerial Advisory Council is a statutory body established under section 11 of the Northern Territory *Education Act* (the Act) to advise the Minister for Education on the needs of non-government schools.

#### 2. Key Functions

The council will provide advice to the Minister for Education on policy matters related, but not limited to:

- 1. the registration and regulation of non-government schools
- 2. standards for planning and operation of non-government schools
- 3. registration matters consistent with Section 156 of the Act; sector representation for the purposes of Section 133 and Section 146 of the Act; and any other purpose
- 4. the outcomes of reviews of existing non-government schools
- methodology for the allocation of funds to non-government schools (including per capita recurrent grants, and other grants as determined by Government policy) so that there is a fair and equitable distribution of funds
- a system of accountability for Northern Territory funds paid to nongovernment schools
- 7. any other educational matter relating to non-government schools referred to it by the minister.

The council will maintain partnerships with the Department of Education and facilitate communication between the sectors in order to progress policy objectives intended to improve the capacity, effectiveness and sustainability of non-government schools.

#### 3. Membership

The Minister for Education will appoint an independent chairperson and representatives from the Department of Education and non-government school peak bodies to the council.

Membership of the council is as follows:

• independent chairperson

- two nominees from the Department of Education from executive, school planning or quality assurance areas
- one nominee from the Association of Independent Schools of the Northern Territory
- one nominee from the Catholic Education Office
- one nominee from the Northern Territory Christian Schools and
- one nominee from the Lutheran Schools Association.

The independent chairperson and members from the non-government school sector will be appointed for a period of three years and are eligible for reappointment. The Department of Education representatives will be appointed for an indefinite period.

The Minister for Education will reserve the authority to accept or reject a nominee to the council.

#### 3.1 Role of Chairperson

The role of the independent chairperson is to:

- preside over all meetings
- ensure all members have an opportunity to contribute ideas, opinions and concerns through positive and constructive dialogue
- assist members to work together and ensure active participation at meetings
- support the non-government school sector to communicate its needs and priorities to the Northern Territory Government and
- regularly report to the Minister for Education on behalf of the Council.

#### 3.2 Role of Members

The role of a non-government member is to represent the viewpoint of their sector and, for Department of Education representatives, to represent current Northern Territory Government policy.

#### Members will:

- progress advice and issues arising from the council by consulting with their school sector
- make decisions (or actively engage decision makers) to enable engagement on issues being discussed and progressed by the council
- work together to reach consensus decisions
- attend to out-of-session working groups and meetings as required
- promulgate key issues, inform recommendations, outcomes and policies relating to agenda items and

 keep their sector informed of meeting outcomes and Northern Territory Government policies and decisions relating to non-government schools.

#### 3.4 Meeting Proxy

The chairperson may determine if substitute members to council meetings are acceptable.

#### 4. Meeting Schedule

The council will meet as often as necessary but at a minimum of four times per calendar year. All meetings will be closed meetings unless otherwise determined by the chairperson.

#### 5. Sitting fees

Sitting fees and travel expenses will be paid to non-government council members.

#### 6. Secretariat

The council will be supported by the Registrar of Non-Government Schools who will arrange secretariat support including:

- organising meetings, formalising agenda and recording minutes
- collating and distributing written material prior to each meeting
- preparing correspondence and written material as required on behalf of the council and
- disseminating information regarding council activities, decisions and outcomes.

# **ATTACHMENT J**

2019-20 outcomes specific to each region.

Regional Office	2019-20 Regional Outcomes
Alice Springs	<ul> <li>Ongoing development and implementation of government initiatives, policies and programs through participation in the Barkly and Central Australia Regional Coordination Committee meetings.</li> <li>Continued close partnerships with other agencies for coordinated service and support through Interagency Tasking and Coordination Group Alice Springs, Ure Group Alice Springs, Kwatye Group.</li> <li>Establishment of Strong Young Fathers Program at Larapinta Child and Family Centre.</li> <li>Implementation of impact reporting at Larapinta and Yuendumu Child and Family Centres.</li> <li>Two Families as First Teachers - Stay Play Learn programs were established and are fully operational at Braitling Primary and Walungurru School.</li> <li>Through Connected Beginnings, formalised partnerships</li> </ul>
	established with Congress and Tangentyere Council to support enhanced early childhood health and early learning engagement prior to school in Central Australia.
Arnhem	<ul> <li>Delivery of homelands and bilingual education, with five schools in the region receiving targeted funding to provide bilingual education.</li> <li>Established the Local Decision Making Plan on Groote Eylandt with Anindilyakwa Land Council.</li> <li>Ongoing development and implementation of government initiatives, policies and programs through participation in the Arnhem Regional Coordination Committee meetings.</li> <li>Establishment of Strong Young Fathers Program at Galiwin'ku and Maningrida.</li> <li>Establishment of Strong Young Mothers Program at Maningrida.</li> <li>Implementation of impact reporting at Maningrida Child and Family Centre.</li> <li>Connected Beginnings Groote is working closely with the Anindilyakwa Land Council to strengthen early childhood governance as part of local decision making to achieve improved outcomes for children.</li> <li>Continued close partnerships with other agencies for coordinated service and support East Arnhem High Risk Youth Interagency Case Management Group, Gunyangara Complex Case Coordination Group, Yolngu Region Local Decision Making, Healthy, Engaged, Living Prospects Group</li> </ul>
Barkly	Commencement of the new Tennant Creek Preschool and integrated early childhood and family centre in Term 3, 2019.

Regional Office	2019-20 Regional Outcomes
Darwin	<ul> <li>Establishment of the new Special Education Centre at Tennant Creek Primary School to provide specialist support to students with additional needs.</li> <li>Development and implementation of government initiatives, policies and programs through participation in the Barkly Regional Coordination Committee meetings.</li> <li>Operation of the Juno Training Centre, which integrates existing Aboriginal education strategies and VET programs and connects youth service providers in the region.</li> <li>Formalised partnership agreement between Tennant Creek Primary School and Julalikari Aboriginal Corporation for the operation of the Tennant Creek Child and Family Centre.</li> <li>A Families as First Teachers - Stay Play Learn program was established and is fully operational at Epenarra.</li> <li>Connected Beginnings Tennant Creek implemented a community campaign 'On the Bus' with all early childhood related organisations displaying positive images and messages in language promoting the importance of attendance at early years programs for children aged from birth to five years; and in 2020 provided home learning packs to 30 vulnerable families (targeted).</li> <li>Secured ongoing funding to ensure the continued operation of the</li> </ul>
Darwin	<ul> <li>Secured ongoing funding to ensure the continued operation of the Mimik-ga Centre for identified students with additional needs to access early learning intervention for children aged from birth to 12 years.</li> <li>Continued close partnership with other agencies, particularly Territory Families and NT Police through the Back on Track program and Strike Force Orion. This ensures a high level of systemic support for young people and their families where there is a risk of involvement in the youth justice system.</li> <li>Launch of the Preschool Science, Engineering and Technology Games distributed to all preschools, long day care and family day care services.</li> </ul>
Katherine	<ul> <li>Operation of the Katherine Flexible Learning and Engagement Centre to provide early intervention support for disengaged youth.</li> <li>Provision of the Autism Spectrum Program at MacFarlane Primary School that provides both in-school and outreach services.</li> <li>Facilitation of a two-year pilot of the Smiling Minds mental health initiative that will embed mindfulness practices in every day classroom routines across schools.</li> <li>Development and implementation of government initiatives, policies and programs through participation in the Katherine Regional Coordination Committee meetings.</li> <li>Establishment of Strong Young Mothers Program at Ngukurr.</li> <li>Implementation of impact reporting at Ngukurr Child and Family Centre.</li> <li>One Families as First Teachers - Stay Play Learn program was established and is fully operational at Robinson River.</li> </ul>

Regional Office	2019-20 Regional Outcomes								
	Continued close partnerships with other agencies for coordinated service and support through Big Rivers Regional Coordination Committee, Inter-Agency Case Management Group, Family Safety Framework and Local Reference Group.								
Palmerston and Rural	<ul> <li>Development and implementation of initiatives as part of the whole-of-government plan to tackle youth crime in Palmerston. These include:         <ul> <li>the Student Voice Positive Choice program engaging over 100 students in nine participating schools, to give youth a voice in the community</li> <li>extending the Clontarf Boys and Stars Girls programs into Driver Primary School and Moulden Primary School</li> <li>providing a psychologist to the Palmerston Re-engagement Campus of the Top End School of Flexible Learning</li> <li>DCM – Palmerston Youth Local Action Group, West Daly Region Service Delivery Group Committee</li> <li>the establishment of a youth skills centre offering vulnerable youth opportunities to pursue a vocational education pathway.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Opening of Zuccoli Primary School – Stage 1 to meet the educational needs of families in Palmerston's newest suburbs.</li> <li>Development and implementation of government initiatives, policies and programs through participation in the Palmerston Service Delivery Group meetings.</li> <li>Establishment of Strong Young Fathers Program at Palmerston Child and Family Centre.</li> <li>Implementation of impact reporting at Palmerston and Gunbalanya Child and Family Centres.</li> <li>Three Families as First Teachers - Stay Play Learn programs were established and are fully operational at Peppimenarti, Belyuen and Mamaruni.</li> </ul>								

#### **ATTACHMENT K**

2019-20 Staffing Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) and Head Count, Pay 19\*

Work Area	Alice Springs region		Arnhem region		Barkly region		Darwin region		Katherine region		Palmerston and Rural region		Shared services across two or more regions	
	Actual FTE	Head Count	Actual FTE	Head Count	Actual FTE	Head Count	Actual FTE	Head Count	Actual FTE	Head Count	Actual FTE	Head Count	Actual FTE	Head Count
Staffing	49	51	22	24	24	25	29	30	43	45	47	49	51	53

- The table above reflects staff working to support schools in the regions in operational matters. In order to ensure that travel and service delivery is maximised, there are some staff who may be located in one regional office, however, service two or more regions.
- The above table does not include staff who are centrally-located providing an NT-wide service.
- The information provided in this table has been obtained through a manual counting process at a point in time and was reviewed in February 2020.