LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY WRITTEN QUESTION

Mrs Hersey to the Minister for Education:

Public High Schools - Palmerston / Rural

1. Please provide enrolment numbers for students attending Palmerston College broken down by middle and senior school.

In term 2, 2022 enrolment numbers for Palmerston College were as follows:

Senior Years: Years 10 - 12	717
Middle Years: Years 7 – 9	441
Total	1158

2. What is the maximum enrolment capacity of Palmerston College broken down by middle and senior school?

Notional capacity for schools is 20 per cent less than the total capacity of the school to accommodate movement of students, varied year level numbers and classes that are not used full time such as science laboratories.

Palmerston College's notional capacity is:

Senior Years: Years 10 - 12	958
Middle Years: Years 7 – 9	748
Total	1706

3. What size is the Palmerston College senior campus?

The total land area of Palmerston College 10 – 12 campus is 90700 m² (Data source ASNEX).

4. What size is the Palmerston College middle school campus?

The total land area of Palmerston College 7 - 9 campus is 99800 m² (Data source ASNEX).

5. Please provide enrolment numbers for students attending Taminmin College broken down by middle and senior school.

In term 2, 2022 enrolment numbers for Taminmin College were as follows:

Senior Years: Years 10 - 12	642
Middle Years: Years 7 – 9	500
Total	1142

6. What is the maximum enrolment capacity of Taminmin College broken down by middle and senior school?

Notional capacity for schools is 20 per cent less than the total capacity of the school to accommodate movement of students, varied year level numbers and classes that are not used full time such as science laboratories.

Taminmin College's notional capacity is 1459. This is unable to be broken down by middle and senior years as Taminmin College is one campus.

7. Is there designated land for another public high school in the Palmerston or rural area? If so, please provide the location, size of the lot/s and zoning of the lot/s.

At this time there is no land set aside for a public middle or senior school in the Palmerston or rural area.

8. What is the projected student population growth for Palmerston?

A 2018 report produced for the Department of Education, by Charles Darwin University showed enrolment growth projections for Palmerston as follows:

2016 recorded enrolments	4559
2026 projected enrolments	6327

This included an assumption of average Palmerston enrolment rates for Zuccoli Primary School opening in 2020.

9. What is the projected student population growth for the rural area?

A 2018 report produced for the Department of Education, by Charles Darwin University showed enrolment growth projections the for the rural area as follows:

2016 recorded enrolments	2827
2026 projected enrolments	3577