



Digital Education Revolution – More than just a computer

Public hearing Wednesday 2 November 2011 in Canberra

The Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR) will appear before the Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit to discuss the findings in the ANAO Audit Report No. 30 Digital Education Revolution Program - National Secondary School Computer Fund.

The report suggests that while DEEWR's overall administration of the program has been effective, important aspects of monitoring and evaluation were omitted in the rush to meet program deadlines.

The National Secondary School Computer Fund component of the program aims to achieve a computer to student ratio of 1:1 for all Year 9-12 students by 31 December 2011 and to sustain that ratio through to 2013-14.

"The committee is interested to see how well the department has responded to key areas of concern highlighted by the Auditor-General, particularly as the program end date is fast approaching," committee chair Rob Oakeshott said. "We want to ensure students have benefited and that taxpayers have got value for money."

The hearing will be held on **Wednesday 2 November**, from **12:00 noon to 1:00 pm** in **Committee Room 2S1, Parliament House Canberra**. Evidence will be given by the Australian National Audit Office and the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations.

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