

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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Outcome 2 - Schools

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Senator Fielding asked on 11/02/2010, Hansard page 24.

Question

SCHOOL PLANS PUBLISHED THIS YEAR

Senator FIELDING—Will there be a specific action plan for each school that I have identified that has bridging the gap? When is that likely to be done or has it already been done?

Ms Hanlon—The national partnerships schools that have been identified by the states—which may not absolutely correlate with the ones that you have read out—will have school plans published this year that will identify the actual strategies that they will be employing at the school to support students who are disadvantaged and who are poorly performing in literacy and numeracy. It will also identify the Commonwealth investment that is being used to build that strategy and approach.

Senator FIELDING—Okay. Can we get access to these plans?

Ms Hanlon—Certainly. They will be publicly available.

Senator FIELDING—I look forward to seeing those.

Answer

At the 6 November 2009 MCEECDYA meeting it was agreed that the school plan of each participating partnership school become available on their school website as activities under the National Partnership commence and as part of existing school planning cycles.

At this meeting it was also agreed that the school plan of each participating school identify National Partnership investment and the activities being implemented.

Details of National Partnership reforms will be included in School Level Plans for schools participating in the National Partnerships for Literacy and Numeracy and/or Low Socio-economic Status School Communities. The Teacher Quality NP does not identify individual participating schools as it targets all teachers with an emphasis on strategies to attract, train, place, develop and retain quality teachers and leaders.