

## EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

### SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2003-2004 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

**Outcome:** 1

**Output Group:** 1.1 – Funding for schools

#### **DEST Question No. E285\_04**

Senator Carr asked on 5 June 2003, EWRE Hansard page 543-544

#### **Question:**

1. Confirm whether Glendale Christian College closed in 2001; a school opened within very close proximity, a few kilometres, and 400 students immediately transferred into that school; and an establishment grant was made.
2. Advise how many of the 400 students that were involved with the so-called new school called Glendale College had ever had any association with the Glendale Christian College?
3. In September 2002, did the school change its name to Investigator College?
4. Did the new entity get an establishment grant as well?
5. Advise whether there was a re-registration and whether that re-registration under the present arrangements triggered an automatic grant?

#### **Answer:**

*Glendale Christian College, SA*

1&2. Glendale Christian College closed with an effective date of 31 December 2000. In 2001, a new school application for Glendale College was lodged by the South Australian Anglican System (SAAS). Following assessment, the application was approved as a new systemic school with an effective date of 1 January 2001. The new school's head campus is located on the site of the old school's subsidiary campus at 2 Glendale Grove Goolwa. The Department cannot precisely confirm the number of students who immediately transferred to the new school, however, student address data provided by Glendale Christian in 1999 and Glendale College in 2001, indicate that 31.3% or 129 students attended both schools. As Glendale College was approved as a new school, under the current governing legislation, it was entitled to Establishment Grant funding for the 2001 and 2002 programme years.

3. Yes.

4. Glendale College received Establishment Grant funding for the 2001 and 2002 programme years. A school is not eligible for Establishment Grant funding simply for formally changing its name.

5. The SAAS, under the advisement of the South Australian Non-Government Schools Registration Board, was required to apply for new school registration on behalf of Glendale College. Obtaining State Registration does not, however, trigger immediate funding. While State recognition is a necessary element when applying for Commonwealth recurrent funding, it is not the only requirement.