

## EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

### SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2006-2007 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

**Outcome:** 1

**Output Group:** 1.3 – Assistance for quality teaching and learning

#### **DEST Question No. E318\_06**

Senator Crossin provided in writing.

#### **Question:**

Has DEST ever provided funding for the Rock Eisteddfod before? If so, can you please supply the final and budget estimates for 04-05, 05-06 and 06-07.

#### **Answer:**

##### *DEST Funding for the Rock Eisteddfod Challenge (REC)*

DEST has provided funding to the Rock Eisteddfod through the National School Drug Education Strategy (NSDES) of \$100,000 for 2005 REC and \$110,000 for 2006 REC. DEST has not made any funding commitments for 2006-07. Funding under the NSDES is for the schools grant component of the Rock Eisteddfod (a grant provided to all schools participating in the Rock Eisteddfod to assist them with costs associated with their participation).

DEST also provides sponsorship funding to the Rock Eisteddfod through Australian Apprenticeships of \$100,000 for 2005 REC and \$90,000 for 2006 REC. DEST has not made any funding commitments for 2006-07. Sponsorship of the Rock Eisteddfod provides a range of opportunities to raise awareness of the Apprenticeships scheme, mainly through exposure to the Australian Apprenticeships brand in a positive context.

An allocation of \$700,000 for National Youth Festivals in 2007 was announced in the 2006-07 Budget Measure: Community Festivals for Health Promotion.