

EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

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

Outcome: 1

Output Group: 1.2 – Assistance for Individuals including those with special needs.

DEST Question No. E319_07

Senator Crossin asked on 31 May 2006, EWRE Hansard page 111

Question:

Will students be disadvantaged in terms of ABSTUDY or the boarding grants, with the close proximity to the boarding school in the community?

Answer:

Eligibility for ABSTUDY to live away from home to undertake secondary schooling

The above question relates to the establishment of a non-government secondary college on Melville Island.

No. Families can choose to send their children to this school, or any other school in the Northern Territory, and still receive ABSTUDY. The level of ABSTUDY assistance available is subject to personal circumstances as assessed against eligibility outlined in the ABSTUDY Policy Manual.