SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE BUDGET ESTIMATES 2009-10

Outcome 2

DEEWR Question No. EW0112_10

Senator Hanson-Young provided in writing

Question

Funding of Schools

Please update the answer EW60_08 from Additional Estimates 2007-08 by providing detailed information on grants to non-government schools, other than recurrent grants, identifying Catholic systemic and other independent schools separately, for each year for the year 2008, and 2009 to 2012 estimated if the data is available.

For each school, please provide the school number, location, state, postcode, and in separate columns, each type of non-recurrent funding, including capital grants, establishment grants, emergency funding and other programs in respect of schools, including school chaplains. Please provide this information in Excel format, or in a form that can be readily converted to Excel format.

1. Please provide detailed estimates of funding to each non-government school, other than general recurrent funding for each year from 2009 to 2012, inclusive. For each school, please provide the school number, location, state, postcode, type (Catholic systemic or independent) and in separate columns, each type of non-recurrent funding, identifying the type of non-recurrent funding. Please provide this information in Excel format, or in a form that can be readily converted to Excel format.

Answer

The spreadsheet at Attachment A provides school number, name of school, location, state, postcode, sector (independent and Catholic systemic schools), year for Capital Grants, Establishment Grants, Investing in Our Schools Program (IOSP), National Schools Chaplaincy Program, Drought Assistance for Schools Program, Flagpoles Funding Initiative, Parliamentary and Civics Education Rebate and the Country Areas Program.

Notes:

- Payments made under Drought Assistance for Schools, Flagpoles Funding Initiative, the National Schools Chaplaincy Program and Country Areas Program are reported for the calendar year in which funding was paid to the school.
- Payments made under IOSP, Establishment Grants and Capital Grants are reported for the program year in which the payment was authorised.
- Payments made under the Parliamentary and Civics Education Rebate is reported for the 2008-09 financial year only, in which funding was paid to the school. Instances where a client ID could not be provided, records have been placed on the end of the spreadsheet.

- All payments do not include GST.
- Only grants made to individual schools are included.
- Country Areas Program information only includes payments that have been made to individual schools and excludes payments made for cluster projects, where a number of schools are associated for a project. Data for projects prior to 2007 are not available for individual schools.
- Payments made under a number of smaller programs are not included as they cannot be readily compiled at the school level. These programs are Success for Boys, Australian School Innovation in Science, Technology and Mathematics (ASISTM) and Values Education.
- The financial information provided is current as at July 2009 and may not correlate with previously published data. Financial data is correct at time of publication and may undergo subsequent amendments after the accountability statements have been finalised.
- Details of payments made to schools under the Short-Term Emergency Assistance program are confidential as public release of the data would likely impact on public confidence in the schools.