

**SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON
EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
BUDGET ESTIMATES 2009-10**

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Senator Cash asked on Wednesday 3 June 2009, EEW Hansard page 63.

Question

Funding choices - Hyden Primary School and Burbridge School

Can you please take on notice these schools that have issues with the funding they have received and what they need to spend it on:

- Hyden Primary School
- Burbridge School, which caters for some very seriously disabled people, has been offered the choice of a library or some playground equipment. Due to the nature of the students, neither is appropriate, but the school desperately needs money to spend on its pool that is used for physiotherapy.

Answer

On 10 June 2009 Minister Gillard announced \$1m for Hyden Primary School, which is above their notional allocation, under Round Two of *Primary Schools for the 21st Century (P21)* to construct a new Covered Outdoor Learning Area (COLA). This was the school's identified first choice.

On 21 May 2009, Minister Gillard announced that Hyden Primary School would receive \$30,000 for procurement of ICT and \$45,000 for refurbishment of buildings including carpeting and painting under the National School Pride Program. These projects were the school's identified highest priorities.

On 6 May 2009 Minister Gillard announced that Burbridge School would receive \$300,000, which is above their notional allocation, under Round One of P21 to construct a new Covered Outdoor Learning Area (COLA). This was the school's identified first choice.

On 21 May 2009, Minister Gillard announced that Burbridge School would receive \$27 000 to construct a new shed and \$23 000 for refurbishment and carpeting under NSP. These projects were the school's identified higher priorities.