

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Supplementary Budget Estimates 2012-2013**

Outcome 2 - Schools and Youth

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Senator McKenzie provided in writing.

Question

Empowering Local Schools initiative

Under the Empowering Local Schools initiative, schools will be funded from \$40,000 to \$50,000 as start-up grants to assist them to manage their increased decision-making responsibilities effectively. Given there is an additional \$3.2mn set aside to support training for Principals and school communities, what types of activities or infrastructure is the Department expecting schools to spend this money on? Are there any examples from schools already participating?

Answer

Activities to be undertaken under the *Empowering Local Schools* National Partnership are set out in the Implementation Plans of the individual education authorities, located on the DEEWR website at <http://www.deewr.gov.au/empowering-local-schools>.