

**MINISTER FOR EDUCATION AND TRAINING
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY QUESTION**

QUESTION NUMBER 1035

Enrolments in ACT schools February 2006

Dr Foskey MLA- asked the Minister for Education and Training on 30 March 2006:

- (1) What are the (a) within-priority enrolment area and (b) out-of-area enrolments in each government (i) primary school, (ii) high school and (iii) college in the ACT;
- (2) What are the resident priority enrolment areas (PEA) of the out-of-area enrolments of each government (a) primary school, (b) high school and (c) college and how many students in each school are resident in each of these out-of-area zones;
- (3) What is the number of resident NSW students attending each government (a) primary school, (b) high school and (c) college;
- (4) What is the number of government (a) primary school, (b) high school and (c) college students resident in each PEA for the relevant sector and which schools do they attend;
- (5) What percentage of the total enrolments of each government (a) primary school, (b) high school and (c) college are from outside the priority enrolment areas of each school;
- (6) What proportion of the total resident government school students in each PEA for (a) primary schools, (b) high schools, (c) colleges are enrolled in the PEA school;
- (7) What is the average retention rate or percentage of government school students residing in a PEA who attend the PEA school, for the (a) primary school, (b) high school and (c) college sectors;
- (8) What is the average out-of-area ratio or percentage of government school students who reside in the PEA of another school, for the (a) primary school, (b) high school and (c) college sectors;
- (9) What is the total number of all government and non-government (a) primary school, (b) high school and (c) college students resident in each government school PEA and, in each case, how many attend (i) the PEA government school, (ii) a government school in another PEA and (iii) a non-government school.

MR BARR – The information prepared for Dr Foskey has been extracted from the February 2006 Government and non-government school census.

- (1) Attachment 1 details enrolments within and outside the priority enrolment areas (PEA).
 - (a) Enrolments within the PEA are shown in the column marked “In PEA” for:
 - (i) primary schools
 - (ii) high schools
 - (iii) colleges.
 - (b) Out-of-area enrolments are shown in the column marked “Out PEA” for:
 - (i) primary schools
 - (ii) high schools
 - (iii) colleges.
- (2) Attachment 2 details the resident priority enrolment areas for students in each government school and the number of students resident in each school’s priority enrolment area. Priority enrolment area schools are listed as “school attended”. Enrolments correspond with “eligible PEA school”. The information is presented for each government:
 - (a) primary school
 - (b) high school
 - (c) college.
- (3) Attachment 1 details the number of NSW students attending each government:
 - (a) primary school
 - (b) high school
 - (c) college.
- (4) Attachment 3 indicates the number of government students resident in ACT Government School priority enrolment areas (total by school) and the schools in which students, resident in the priority enrolment area, are enrolled. The information is presented for each government:
 - (a) primary school
 - (b) high school
 - (c) college.
- (5) Information showing the percentage of total enrolments from outside the PEA for each government school is shown in Attachment 1 and is denoted in the column marked “% Out PEA”. The information is presented for each government:
 - (a) primary school
 - (b) high school
 - (c) college.
- (6) Attachment 4 details the proportion of resident government school students in each PEA that are enrolled in the PEA. This is denoted by the column “% Attend PEA School”. The information is presented for each government:
 - (a) primary school
 - (b) high school
 - (c) college.

- (7) The average percentage of government school students residing in a PEA who attend the PEA school is:
 - (a) primary school 64%
 - (b) high school 62%
 - (c) college 63%.

- (8) The average percentage of government school students who reside in the PEA of another school is:
 - (a) primary school 36%
 - (b) high school 38%
 - (c) college 37%.

- (9) The Department of Education and Training is not provided with the residential address for ACT non-government school students. Information is only provided by suburb. Non-government students resident in PEAs for government (a) primary schools and (b) high school priority enrolment areas therefore cannot be accurately determined.

For the numbers of resident students enrolled in government schools both within and outside their priority enrolment area school for the primary and high school sectors please refer to Attachment 4.

Priority enrolment areas for government primary and high schools may not be bound by suburb boundaries. There are a number of instances where geographical boundaries align with priority enrolment areas. There are also instances where schools share a priority enrolment area.

Government college priority enrolment areas are defined by suburb boundaries. The response in relation to college enrolments is provided in Attachment 5. Total numbers at the college level include enrolments in:

- i) the PEA government school
- ii) Government school in another PEA
- iii) a non-government school.

Approved for circulation to the Member and incorporation into Hansard.

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