Senate Committee: Education and Employment

QUESTION ON NOTICE Additional Estimates 2016 - 2017

Outcome: Schools and Youth

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ17-000473

Senator Collins, Jacinta provided in writing.

Additional funding

Question

How are you requiring systems that receive additional money for disadvantage for Indigenous, low-English proficiency, disability and low-SES, to show how this money will be used to improve outcomes for these groups of students?

- have States and Territories agreed to implement this?
- what is the timeline for implementation?

Answer

Funding paid under the *Australian Education Act 2013* is calculated with reference to a base amount per student plus loadings. While the Australian Government does not prescribe the use of this funding for any particular student or group of students, Approved Authorities for more than one school, including states and territories, are required to report to the department on how Government funds have been distributed to their schools. This includes a breakdown of any amounts allocated to target areas of additional need.