

**Senate Committee: Education and Employment**

**QUESTION ON NOTICE  
Supplementary Budget Estimates 2016 - 2017**

**Outcome: Schools and Youth**

**Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ16-000950**

Senator McKenzie, Bridget asked on 20 October 2016, Proof Hansard page 50

***Schools funding (independent school)***

**Question**

CHAIR: With one school and its students receiving double the funding of the others. Do you have any examples for independent schools?

Mr Cook: An independent school in the ACT would receive 64 per cent more Commonwealth funding than a comparable independent school in Western Australia.

CHAIR: Do we have a figure on what that boils down to at a per-student level?

Mr Cook: I do not off the top of my head. We would have to take that on notice.

**Answer**

The figure of 64 per cent is derived from data published on the MySchool website:

- In 2014, the independent school in the ACT received \$4505 per student from the Australian Government.
- In 2014, the independent school in Western Australia received \$2755 per student from the Government.
- The two schools have comparative levels of need.