

EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

**SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
2006-07 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARINGS**

Outcome: All

Output Group: All

DEST Question No. E414-07

Senator Wong provided in writing.

Refers to DEST Question No. E999_04 and E852_05

Question:

Please provide an update to the following:

- d. E852_05

Answer: Please see following page

Amended response to question E414-07

The Community Festivals for Education Engagement is one of two elements of the national community festivals initiative which is aimed at engaging youth in education and drug prevention. The aim of the Rock Eisteddfod and the Community Festivals for Education Engagement is to communicate healthy lifestyle messages to participating Australian teenagers in a manner that resonates with contemporary youth culture. The emphasis of Community Festivals for Education Engagement is on Indigenous young people in remote communities, with the additional goals of increasing school retention, broadening career and employment options and reducing crime.

Policy objective

The underlying principle of the national community festivals is the promotion of healthy, positive lifestyles for young people, particularly Indigenous youth, with the aim of improving participation in education, increasing vocational planning and reducing drug abuse.

Finishing date

The programme is ongoing.

Evaluation

Community Festivals for Education Engagement will be evaluated over the funding period ending in 2010.

Funding and Forward Estimates

	2006-07 \$'000	2007-08 \$'000	2008-09 \$'000	2009-10 \$'000
<i>Indigenous Education (Targeted Assistance) Act 2000 Community Festivals for Education Engagement</i>	3.05	3.05	3.05	3.05
<i>Funding from Annual Appropriations Rock Eisteddfod</i>	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7