SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE BUDGET ESTIMATES 2009-10

Outcome 2

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Senator Mason asked on 3 June 2009, EEWR Hansard page 94.

Question

Music. Count Us In

- 1. What was the cost of the 'Music. Count Us In' program on a per student basis in 2008?
- 2. What was the cost of the program on a per school basis in 2008?

Answer

Funding of \$480 000 was provided to the Music Council of Australia (MCA) for 'Music. Count Us In' in 2008 to promote music education through engaging schools and school communities in a performance of the 'Music. Count Us In' song on 23 October 2008. As well as supporting the development of the song and the promotion and organisation of the event, the funding supported professional development workshops to help generalist teachers to see the benefits of music education and their own potential for delivering it.

The MCA estimate of the cost per participant in the event on 23 October 2008 (including teachers as well as students) was \$1.05.

The MCA estimate of the cost per school was \$282.