



Inquiry into teacher shortages and education outcomes in New South Wales

TERMS OF REFERENCE

1. That Portfolio Committee No. 3 – Education inquire into and report on the adequacy of the government's response to teacher shortages and student outcomes in New South Wales, and in particular:
 - (a) current and projected teacher shortages in NSW schools, including future supply and demand,
 - (b) student outcomes, including the impact of technology on students,
 - (c) student health and wellbeing,
 - (d) current and projected enrolments, commencements and completions in Initial Teacher Education,
 - (e) out-of-field teaching, merged classes and minimal supervision specifically for high school students,
 - (f) the NSW Teacher Supply Strategy, and any initiative implemented by the NSW Government to encourage new teachers, expand opportunities for existing teachers or actively recruit candidates into teaching positions,
 - (g) any incentive program to address regional shortages,
 - (h) the employment of temporary and casual teachers,
 - (i) any initiative implemented by the NSW Government to reduce administrative workload,
 - (j) the impact of teacher shortages on educational outcomes, and
 - (k) any other related matter.
2. That the committee report by 25 February 2023.

The terms of reference for the inquiry were self-referred by the committee on 9 January 2023.

Committee membership

Hon Mark Latham MLC	Pauline Hanson's One Nation	<i>Chair</i>
Hon Wes Fang MLC	The Nationals	<i>Deputy Chair</i>
Ms Abigail Boyd MLC	The Greens	
Hon Anthony D'Adam MLC	Australian Labor Party	
Hon Scott Farlow MLC	Liberal Party	
Hon Courtney Houssos MLC	Australian Labor Party	
Hon Aileen MacDonald MLC	Liberal Party	