

**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY**

**WRITTEN QUESTION**

Mr Chandler to the Minister for education, in relation to the portfolio areas within the Department of education.

**School Libraries, Staffing**

Please provide a list of all government schools in the Northern Territory with current details of their particular library staffing arrangements:

1. For each school how many of the following categories of staff are employed –

1. Dual qualified teacher librarians (teachers with a library qualification)
2. Teachers-in-charge of libraries (teachers without a library qualification)
3. Librarians (qualified teachers without teacher training)
4. Library officers (unqualified teachers)
5. Volunteers
6. No one staffing the library

2. For each of these schools, please identify according to:

1. Primary, secondary or both
2. Their regional status (whether provincial, remote or very remote)
3. Whether or not they have received BER funding for the construction of a library

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**ANSWER**

1. Schools are allocated staff according to a formula that is based on the number of students enrolled and attending the school as well as particular needs of the school. Deployment of staff is a matter for the school to determine within certain guidelines (eg. no classroom having more than 27 students).

Schools are not allocated librarian or teacher librarian positions as such but may choose to assign staff to work full or part-time in the library. These decisions are at the discretion of the school principal and are made in consultation with the school council. These arrangements change on a regular basis depending on the priorities of the school.

Based on a survey of schools conducted in November 2011 most large schools in urban and remote areas of the NT have a dedicated librarian position. This includes schools in towns such as Tennant Creek and Nhulunbuy and remote communities such Maningrida and Galiwin'ku.

Most small schools which are primarily located in remote areas do not have dedicated librarian positions.

The survey returned a figure of 78 full time equivalent librarian positions in schools across the Northern Territory. Of these 13 are dual qualified teacher / librarians.

It should be noted that with increasing usage of ICT to access information, libraries and hard copy books are being used much less often in schools. This is especially so in senior years where every student will have access to a laptop computer on a one to one basis as part of the Australian Government's Digital Education Revolution initiative.

2. 1. See attached spreadsheet
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Region	School	Geolocation	Primary/Secondary/Both	Dual qualified teacher librarians (teachers with a library qualification)	Teachers – in –charge of libraries (teachers without a library qualification)	Librarians (qualified librarians without teacher training)	Library officer (unqualified officers)	Volunteers	No one staffing the library	BER	Comments
Alice Springs Region	Acacia Hill School	Remote	Primary						Correct		
Alice Springs Region	Alcoota School	Very Remote	Both						Correct	Yes	BER for resource centre
Alice Springs Region	Alice Springs School Of The Air	Very Remote	Both			0.8		4 hrs a week		Yes	BER for library extension
Alice Springs Region	Alpurrurulam School	Very Remote	Both						Correct	Yes	BER for resource centre/classroom
Alice Springs Region	Amoonguna School	Remote	Primary						Correct		
Alice Springs Region	Ampilatwatja School	Very Remote	Both						Correct	Yes	BER for resource centre
Alice Springs Region	Areyonga School	Very Remote	Primary						Correct		
Alice Springs Region	Arparra High School	Very Remote	Both						Correct		
Alice Springs Region	Bonya School	Very Remote	Both						Correct		
Alice Springs Region	Bradshaw Primary School	Remote	Primary			2					
Alice Springs Region	Braitling Primary School	Remote	Primary		1		1				
Alice Springs Region	Centralian Middle School	Remote	Secondary				1				
Alice Springs Region	Centralian Senior College	Remote	Secondary								No Library, use CDU's
Alice Springs Region	Docker River School	Very Remote	Primary						Correct		
Alice Springs Region	Finke School	Very Remote	Both						Correct		
Alice Springs Region	Gillen Primary School	Remote	Primary				1				
Alice Springs Region	Haasts Bluff School	Very Remote	Primary						Correct		
Alice Springs Region	Harts Range School	Very Remote	Both						Correct		
Alice Springs Region	Imanpa School	Very Remote	Primary						Correct		
Alice Springs Region	Laramba School	Very Remote	Both						Correct		
Alice Springs Region	Larapinta Primary School	Remote	Primary		1						
Alice Springs Region	Mbunghara School	Very Remote	Both						Correct		
Alice Springs Region	Mount Allan School	Very Remote	Primary						Correct	Yes	BER for new library with attached covered outdoor learning area.
Alice Springs Region	Mutjitjulu School	Very Remote	Primary		1						
Alice Springs Region	Ntaria School	Very Remote	Primary						Correct		
Alice Springs Region	Papunya School	Very Remote	Both						Correct	Yes	BER for resource centre/classroom
Alice Springs Region	Ross Park Primary School	Remote	Primary		1		0.5				
Alice Springs Region	Sadadeen Primary School	Remote	Primary	1	1		1				
Alice Springs Region	Titjikala School	Very Remote	Primary						Correct		
Alice Springs Region	Ti Tree School	Very Remote	Primary						Correct		
Alice Springs Region	Utopia School	Very Remote	Both						Correct		
Alice Springs Region	Wallace Rockhole School	Remote	Primary						Correct		
Alice Springs Region	Walungurru School	Very Remote	Primary						Correct		
Alice Springs Region	Warrego School	Very Remote	Primary						Correct		
Alice Springs Region	Watarka School	Very Remote	Primary						Correct		
Alice Springs Region	Watiyawanu School	Very Remote	Primary				2				
Alice Springs Region	Yulara School	Very Remote	Primary						Correct		

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Barkly Region	Alekarenge School	Very Remote	Both						Correct		
Barkly Region	Borrooloola School	Very Remote	Both						Correct		
Barkly Region	Canteen Creek School	Very Remote	Both				1				
Barkly Region	Elliott School	Very Remote	Both	1			0.5				School Principal is dual qualified
Barkly Region	Epenarra School	Very Remote	Both		1						
Barkly Region	Kiana School	Very Remote	Both		1					Yes	BER for resource centre
Barkly Region	Lajamanu School	Very Remote	Both						Correct		
Barkly Region	Murray Downs School	Very Remote	Both						Correct		
Barkly Region	Neutral Junction School	Very Remote	Primary								No Library
Barkly Region	Newcastle Waters School	Very Remote	Both						Correct		
Barkly Region	Nyirripi School	Very Remote	Both						Correct	Yes	BER for resource centre which provides for multi-purpose use as a library and classroom.
Barkly Region	Robinson River School	Very Remote	Both						Correct		
Barkly Region	Rockhampton Downs School	Very Remote	Primary						Correct		
Barkly Region	Stirling School	Very Remote	Primary						Correct		
Barkly Region	Tennant Creek High School	Very Remote	Secondary			1					
Barkly Region	Tennant Creek Primary School	Very Remote	Primary				1				
Barkly Region	Willowra School	Very Remote	Both						Correct		
Barkly Region	Yuendumu School	Very Remote	Both						Correct		

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Arnhem Region	Alyangula Area School	Very Remote	Both	0	1	0	0	3 times a week - community access - manned by volunteers at this time.	Correct	Yes	BER for library extension
Arnhem Region	Angurugu School	Very Remote	Both	0	0	0	.5 AO2	0	Correct		
Arnhem Region	Baniyala Garrangali School	Very Remote	Both	0	0	0	0	0	Correct		
Arnhem Region	Gapuwiyak School	Very Remote	Both	0	0	0	0	0	Correct		
Arnhem Region	Gochan Jiny Jirra School	Very Remote	this school comes under Maningrida School staffing and allocations.								
Arnhem Region	Maningrida School	Very Remote	Both	0	1	0	0	0	Correct	Yes	BER for resource centre/cyclone shelter
Arnhem Region	Milingimbi School	Very Remote	Both	0	0	0	1	0	Correct		
Arnhem Region	Milyakburra School	Very Remote	Both	0	0	0	0	0	Correct		Classroom teacher oversees students while in library.
Arnhem Region	Nhulunbuy High School	Very Remote	Secondary	0	0	1	0	0	Correct		
Arnhem Region	Nhulunbuy Primary School	Very Remote	Primary	0	0	0	1	0	Correct		Library Officer is school council employee - school library is a joint use community library there are additional staff employess by NT Library Service
Arnhem Region	Numbulwar School	Very Remote	Both	1	1 part time	0	0	0	Correct		
Arnhem Region	Ramingining School	Very Remote	Both	0	2	0	0	0	Correct		
Arnhem Region	Shepherdson College	Very Remote	Both	0	1	0	1	0	Correct		
Arnhem Region	Umbakumba School	Very Remote	Both	0	0	0	0	0	Correct		
Arnhem Region	Warruwi School	Very Remote	Both	1	0	0	1	0	Correct	Yes	Teacher/Librarian oversees library, teachers take students to library. BER for resource centre
Arnhem Region	Yirkala Homeland School	Very Remote	Both	0	0	0	0.3	0	Correct		AT position is used to cover 0.3 library officer
Arnhem Region	Yirkala School	Very Remote	Both	0	0	0	0	0	Correct		



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Palmerston And Rural Region	Adelaide River School	Remote	TEGS See below								Adelaide River has a school library that is also a community library and is operated by volunteers after school hours.
Palmerston And Rural Region	Bakewell Primary School	Provincial	Primary	0	1 Part time	0	96% AO	1x4hrs wkly			
Palmerston And Rural Region	Batchelor Area School	Remote	Both	0	0	0.5	0	0		Yes	BER for resource centre
Palmerston And Rural Region	Bees Creek Primary School	Provincial	Primary	0	0	0	1	1		Yes	BER for library extension
Palmerston And Rural Region	Belyuen School	Remote	TEGS See below								
Palmerston And Rural Region	Berry Springs Primary School	Provincial	Primary	0	0	0	0	0	allocated admin officer time - approx 8 hrs wkly		In 2012 school plans to have an unqualified librarian/Classroom Teacher to manage this resource 1 day per week.
Palmerston And Rural Region	Don Dale Education Unit	Provincial	Both	0	0	0	0	0	No library - teachers look after books		
Palmerston And Rural Region	Douglas Daly School	Remote	TEGS See below								
Palmerston And Rural Region	Driver Primary School	Provincial	Primary	0	0.5	0	1	0		Yes	BER for library extension
Palmerston And Rural Region	Dundee Beach School	Remote	TEGS See below							Yes	BER for resource centre
Palmerston And Rural Region	Durack Primary School	Provincial	Primary	0	0	0	1	0		Yes	BER for library extension
Palmerston And Rural Region	Girraween Primary School	Provincial	Primary	0	0.6	0	0.5	0			
Palmerston And Rural Region	Gray Primary School	Provincial	Primary	0	0	1	0	0		Yes	BER for library building and associated covered walkways
Palmerston And Rural Region	Gunbalanya School	Very Remote	Both	0	0	0	0	Teachers			
Palmerston And Rural Region	Howard Springs Primary School	Provincial	Primary	1	0	0	0.5	0			
Palmerston And Rural Region	Humpty Doo Primary School	Provincial	Primary	0	1	0	0.5	0			
Palmerston And Rural Region	Jabiru Area School	Remote	Both	0	1	0	1	0			
Palmerston And Rural Region	Mamaruni School	Very Remote	TEGS See below								
Palmerston And Rural Region	Middle Point School	Provincial	TEGS See below								
Palmerston And Rural Region	Milikapiti School	Very Remote	TEGS See below							Yes	BET for resource Centre incorporating multi-purpose rooms and library / office.
Palmerston And Rural Region	Moulden Primary School	Provincial	Primary	0	0	0	1	0		Yes	Assembly area upgrade incorporating general learning areas and associated covered walkways
Palmerston And Rural Region	Nganambala School	Very Remote	TEGS See below								
Palmerston And Rural Region	Nganmariyanga School	Very Remote	Both	0	1	0	0	0	Teachers do own library time		
Palmerston And Rural Region	Palmerston Senior College	Provincial	Secondary	1	0	0	0.5	0			
Palmerston And Rural Region	Peppimenarti School	Very Remote	TEGS See below								
Palmerston And Rural Region	Pularumpi School	Very Remote	TEGS See below								
Palmerston And Rural Region	Rosebery Middle School	Provincial	Middle	0	0	1	0	0			
Palmerston And Rural Region	Rosebery Primary School	Provincial	Primary	0	0	0	0	0	No library		

Palmerston And Rural Region	Taminmin College	Provincial	Secondary	1	0	1 AO3	0	0		Taminmin is a joint use library and has a number of staff who are employed by NTLS. This includes a: Qualified Library Manager 4 part time library technicians some are qualified, some are training 2 casual unqualified staff 4 volunteers
Palmerston And Rural Region	Tipperary Station School	Remote	TEGS See below							
Palmerston And Rural Region	Woodroffe Primary School	Provincial	Primary	1	0	0	0	0		
Palmerston And Rural Region	Woolaning School	Remote	TEGS See below							
Palmerston And Rural Region	Woolianna School	Remote	TEGS See below						Yes	BER for resource centre

**TEGS:** There are no teacher librarians in any of the 13 TEGS Schools. Adelaide River has a school library that is also a community library and is operated by volunteers after school hours. All TEGS schools library areas are maintained by staff.

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Darwin Region	Alawa Primary School	Provincial	Primary				1 AO2			yes	BER for new library and associated walkways
Darwin Region	Anula Primary School	Provincial	Primary		0.5		0.5				
Darwin Region	Casuarina Senior College	Provincial	Senior	1							
Darwin Region	Darwin High School	Provincial	Secondary	1		2					
Darwin Region	Darwin Middle School	Provincial	Secondary	0	0	0.5	0	0			
Darwin Region	Dripstone Middle School	Provincial	Secondary		1	1 AO3					
Darwin Region	Henbury School	Provincial	Both						Correct		
Darwin Region	Jingili Primary School	Provincial	Primary	1						Yes	BER for library upgrade and extensions with connected learning outdoor area
Darwin Region	Karama Primary School	Provincial	Primary				0.5				Library is unstaffed 50%
Darwin Region	Larrakeyah Primary School	Provincial	Primary				3 - AO2				
Darwin Region	Leanyer Primary School	Provincial	Primary		1			Some			
Darwin Region	Ludmilla Primary School	Provincial	Primary				ICT/Lib			Yes	BER for library extension
Darwin Region	Malak Primary School	Provincial	Primary					1			Malak has an OE person who is in 12 hours a week until the end of the year.
Darwin Region	Manunda Terrace Primary School	Provincial	Primary	Teacher undergoing library						Yes	BER for library building and associated walkways
Darwin Region	Millner Primary School	Provincial	Primary				1 AO3				
Darwin Region	Moil Primary School	Provincial	Primary				1 1 part-time				
Darwin Region	Nakara Primary School	Provincial	Primary		1						
Darwin Region	Nemarluk School	Provincial	Primary						Correct		Organisation/management tasks are carried out from overall staff allocation to school
Darwin Region	Nightcliff Middle School	Provincial	Secondary								Nightcliff Middle School's library book resources are currently in storage, pending assessment of a submission under Minor New Works to upgrade space to create a student resource/study/quiet reading facility.
Darwin Region	Nightcliff Primary School	Provincial	Primary				1				
Darwin Region	Northern Territory Open Education Centre	Remote	Both	1							
Darwin Region	Parap Primary School	Provincial	Primary		0.8		1 - 6hrs a w	2			
Darwin Region	Sanderson Middle School	Provincial	Secondary		1		1				
Darwin Region	Stuart Park Primary School	Provincial	Primary		1						
Darwin Region	Wagaman Primary School	Provincial	Primary		0.6					Yes	BER for new library/administration refurbishment
Darwin Region	Wanguri Primary School	Provincial	Primary		1						
Darwin Region	Wulagi Primary School	Provincial	Primary						Correct		



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Katherine Region	Amanbidji School	Very Remote	Primary						Correct	Yes	BER for resource centre
Katherine Region	Barunga School	Remote	Both						Correct	Yes	BER for resource centre
Katherine Region	Bulla Camp School	Very Remote	Primary						Correct	Yes	BER for resource centre
Katherine Region	Bulman School	Very Remote	Both		1						
Katherine Region	Casuarina Street Primary School	Remote	Primary		1 (part-time)		1 (part-time)				
Katherine Region	Clyde Fenton Primary School	Remote	Primary					4 1 (10 hours per week)			Library officers are:1 FTE who is a teacher but not classified as such at CFS 1 x AT x 4hrs per week 1 x casual employee x 2hrs per week 1 x Apprentice x 4hrs per week
Katherine Region	Jilkmingga School	Very Remote	Both		1						
Katherine Region	Kalkaringi School	Very Remote	Both		1			1		Yes	BER for resource centre/visiting officers quarters
Katherine Region	Katherine High School	Remote	Secondary	1				1			
Katherine Region	Katherine School Of The Air	Remote	Both		1						
Katherine Region	Katherine South Primary School	Remote	Primary					1			
Katherine Region	Kintore Street School	Remote	Both								
Katherine Region	MacFarlane Primary School	Remote	Primary					1			
Katherine Region	Manyallaluk School	Very Remote	Primary						Correct	Yes	BER for resource centre
Katherine Region	Mataranka School	Very Remote	Both					1		Yes	BER for resource centre
Katherine Region	Minyerri School	Very Remote	Both		1						
Katherine Region	Ngukurr School	Very Remote	Both		1						
Katherine Region	Pigeon Hole School	Very Remote	Primary						Correct	Yes	BER for resource centre
Katherine Region	Pine Creek School	Remote	Both						Correct	Yes	BER for resource centre
Katherine Region	Timber Creek School	Very Remote	Both						Correct		
Katherine Region	Urapunga School	Very Remote	Both						Correct	Yes	BER for resource centre
Katherine Region	Wugularr School	Very Remote	Both						Correct		
Katherine Region	Yarralin School	Very Remote	Both						Correct	Yes	BER for resource centre