

FITZROY CROSSING DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL, TRUANCY AND COMMUNITY INTEGRATION

2576. Hon Barry House to the Minister for Education and Training

With regards to Fitzroy Crossing District High School, I ask -

- (1) What is the current rate of truancy at Fitzroy Crossing District High School?
- (2) What has the Government done or is proposing to do about the rate of truancy at Fitzroy Crossing District High School?
- (3) As construction will commence on a new school in Fitzroy Crossing in 2008-2009, which Agencies (including community representatives), are involved in the planning of the school to ensure that it is integrated into the community?

Hon LJILJANNA RAVLICH replied:

- (1) 34%
- (2) The school employs a fulltime Youth Support Worker and an Aboriginal Education Specialist Teacher and also has special programs on offer, such as the rural skills program and an aquaculture project.
- (3) The Department of Education and Training with its consultants has completed a feasibility study for the new school at Fitzroy Crossing. Planning for the new school will not commence until 2007/08 at which time, interested agencies and community representatives will be invited to join the Project Consultation Group.