

SCHOOLS, COVERED ASSEMBLY PROGRAM, NORTH WEST

1034. Mr L. Graham to the Minister for Education and Training

I refer to the recent announcement that 400 students at Attadale Primary School are set to benefit from the State Government's four-year \$8million covered assembly program, and I ask -

- (a) how long has such a program been in existence in Western Australia;
- (b) how much of the proposed \$8million is to be spent on covered assembly programs, over a four-years period, in the North West of the State;
- (c) in which towns and communities will the funds be spent;
- (d) who will be responsible for administering the funds; and
- (e) when will the programs commence operation in each town referred to above?

Mr A.J. CARPENTER replied:

- (a)-(e) Covered assembly areas have been provided in primary schools since the late 1960s. However, prior to the last State election, the Government gave a commitment to provide an additional \$8m over a four-year period to accelerate the provision of covered assembly areas in schools.

In 2001-2002, covered assembly areas were provided in the following schools:

	Estimated Total Cost
Dampier Primary School	\$459 000
La Grange Remote Community School	\$306 000

Each of these projects is now complete.