

SCHOOLS — STAFF — MIDWEST

706. Mr P.J. Rundle to the Minister for Education:

For the Department of Education, Midwest Region, please detail:

- (a) How many Librarians were employed in 2022 by:
  - (i) Full-Time Equivalent (FTE); and
  - (ii) Headcount;
- (b) How many Librarians were seconded or re-employed as teachers between 2022 and 2023;
- (c) How many Deputy Principals were employed in 2022 by:
  - (i) FTE; and
  - (ii) Headcount;
- (d) How many Deputy Principals were seconded or re-employed as teachers between 2022 and 2023;
- (e) How many teachers retired in 2022–23:
  - (i) How many retired teachers were recalled in the last financial year, as replacements could not be found for their roles even if this was only temporary;
- (f) How many pre-service teachers were deployed, in order to ensure that every classroom had a teacher;
- (g) How many relief teachers were deployed, in order to ensure that every classroom had a teacher;
- (h) What is the average class size per year level across the region;
- (i) How many cleaning contracts were not filled at the beginning of the school year; and
- (j) How many staff in the education region are currently trained in de-escalation tactics?

**Dr A.D. Buti replied:**

- (a)
  - (i) 0.8
  - (ii) 2
- (b) Nil.
- (c)
  - (i) 48.9
  - (ii) 98
- (d) 3
- (e) In the financial year 2022 – 2023 year to date to March 2023, 23 teachers from this region retired.
  - (i) In the financial year 2021 – 2022, of those teachers who retired, 2 were re-employed.
- (f) In the 2023 school year to 30 March 2023, 14 pre-service teachers were employed.
- (g) In the 2023 school year to 30 March 2023, 158 casual teachers were employed.
- (h) Average Class Sizes – Midwest Education Region

KIN	PRP	Y01	Y02	Y03	Y04	Y05	Y06	Y07	Y08	Y09	Y10
17.8	16.4	19.0	19.2	19.7	21.8	21.2	22.6	22.0	21.1	22.6	22.0

- (i) Nil
- (j) To obtain the relevant information to answer such a question would require a survey of all schools in the region.