

Asked by:

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### **School Funding Framework**

My questions are for the Minister of Education, Culture and Employment. The Minister provided Regular Members with the most recent version of its *School Funding Framework* that I tabled in the House yesterday. Can the Minister:

1. Identify the number of students enrolled in junior kindergarten alone and in kindergarten to grade 12 cumulatively, and each school offering the Junior Kindergarten Program, in 2016-17;
2. Provide departmental projections of the above for 2017-18; and
3. Identify differences between current K-12 funding and that same funding if it accounted for JK-12 in the items below, using estimated 2017-18 enrolment figures and the formulas set out in the framework shared with Regular Members:
  - a. School Funding Framework – Administration – Administration O&M – Item (i), “Administration and School Services: (Administration Staffing for Assistant Superintendents, Administration Officers and Clerical Staff according to the tables);
  - b. School Funding Framework – Administration – Administration O&M – Item (ii), “District Education Authorities O&M: (Community Base of \$15,000 + K-12 FTE x \$86);
  - c. School Funding Framework – Territorial Schools – Item (iii) – School Support Consultants: funded according to established table;
  - d. School Funding Framework – Territorial Schools – Item (iv) – School Counselling: (K-12 community FTE x 0.0032);
  - e. School Funding Framework – Territorial Schools – Item (v) – School Secretaries: (K-12 community FTE x 0.00028);

- f. School Funding Framework – Territorial Schools – Item (vi) – Custodians:  $(K-12 \text{ community FTE} \times 0.0102)$ ;
- g. School Funding Framework – Inclusive Schooling – Item (iv) – Support Assistants:  $(\text{Community K-12 FTE} / 63)$ ;
- h. School Funding Framework – Inclusive Schooling – Item (vi) – Staff Development – Base funding of \$2,000 per community +  $(\text{community K-12 FTE} \times \$50) \times \text{NCI}$ ;
- i. School Funding Framework – Inclusive Schooling – Item (vii) – Specialized Learning Materials/Assistive Technology: [Education Authority \$10,000 base for minor projects + Base funding of \$2,000 per community +  $(\text{community K-12 FTE} \times \$62)$ ]  $\times \text{NCI}$ ;
- j. School Funding Framework – Inclusive Schooling – Item (x) – Healing and Counselling: Base funding of \$10,000 per community +  $(\$60 \text{ per K-12 FTE} \times \text{NCI})$ ;
- k. School Funding Framework – Aboriginal Language & Cultural Programs – Item (i) – Aboriginal Languages O&M: (Base funding of \$100,000 per education authority) +  $(\$9,000 \times \text{number of communities minus one}) + (\text{Aboriginal K-12 FTE} \times \$125) \times \text{NCI}$ ; and
- l. School Funding Framework – Aboriginal Language & Cultural Programs – Item (ii): Education Assistants/Aboriginal Language Specialists (EA/ALS): Aboriginal K-12 FTE per community, according to established table.