



# Inquiry into E-PET-077-25: Access to 11-12 ATAR language courses in 2026

## Answer to question taken on notice

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Asked by: Ms Chiaka Barry MLA

Addressed to: Minister for Education and Early Childhood

In relation to: Language teachers

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Ms Angela Spence took on notice the following question(s):

**MS BARRY:** Did I also ask the question around how many teachers teach which language in what school? Was that a question I asked?

**THE CHAIR:** ...(indistinct)... [4.10.34] so let's ask it, yes.

**Ms Spence:** You asked—yes, there were teachers, and we would not have that data on us right now. I am trying to think whether pulling the timetables for every school and looking at what classes they teach is—

**Mr Borton:** Are you interested in which languages are taught at more programs? Is that what you are interested in, that question?

**Ms Spence:** And the other question, we will need to take that on notice. I am not sure whether that data would be available in terms of that breakdown, but we will take that on notice and see what we can find out.

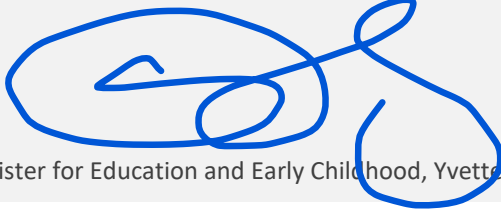
**Ms Yvette Berry MLA:** The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

The Education Directorate does not currently have a complete and accurate central record of the number of language teachers in each school. The Directorate is strengthening reporting processes through the annual Language Education Census for ACT public schools to establish a more accurate central record of the number of language teachers in ACT public schools, including what and where they teach.

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By the Minister for Education and Early Childhood, Yvette Berry MLA

Date:

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