

A. Full responses from entities

As mandated in Section 64 of the *Auditor-General Act 2009*, the Queensland Audit Office gave a copy of this report with a request for comments to the Director-General, Department of Education and the Director-General, Department of Employment, Small Business and Training.

We also provided a copy of the report to the following entities and gave them the option of providing a response:

- TAFE Queensland
- Central Queensland University
- Griffith University
- James Cook University
- Queensland University of Technology
- The University of Queensland
- University of Southern Queensland
- University of the Sunshine Coast
- Board of Trustees of the Brisbane Girls Grammar School
- Board of Trustees of the Brisbane Grammar School
- Board of Trustees of the Ipswich Girls' Grammar School
- Board of Trustees of the Ipswich Grammar School
- Board of Trustees of the Rockhampton Girls Grammar School
- Board of Trustees of the Rockhampton Grammar School
- Board of Trustees of the Toowoomba Grammar School
- Board of Trustees of the Townsville Grammar School.

We provided a copy of this report to the Premier; the Minister for Education, Minister for Industrial Relations and Minister for Racing; the Minister for Employment and Small Business and Minister for Training and Skills Development; the Treasurer; the Under Treasurer; and the Director-General, Department of the Premier and Cabinet for their information.

This appendix contains the detailed responses we received.

The heads of these entities are responsible for the accuracy, fairness and balance of their comments.



Comments received from Director-General, Department of Education



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Dear Mr Worrall

Thank you for your email dated 21 April 2021 providing a draft copy of your report to Parliament titled Education 2020 (the Report) concerning the audit of entities in Queensland's in the education sector.

I appreciate the opportunity to review the Report and I thank you and your team for your collaborative approach. The Report provides useful information that we will focus on to continue to strengthen the security of our information systems and further enhance of asset condition assessments.

If you or your team require further information or assistance, please [REDACTED]

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tony Cook".

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Dear Mr Worrall 

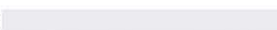
Thank you for your email dated 21 April 2021 regarding the Queensland Audit Office proposed report to Parliament titled Education 2020 (the report).

The Department of Employment, Small Business and Training acknowledges the report and accepts its findings and recommendations, in particular the focus on the importance of future planning for asset management and that strengthening the security of information systems is critical.

The Department is working to ensure internal controls are appropriate and effective while delivering new priorities to support the Queensland community to respond and recover from the effects of COVID-19.

As noted in the 2017–18 Education sector report, the Department is continuing to work with TAFE Queensland to address its long term sustainability, with a strong focus on the impacts it is facing as a result of COVID-19.

We appreciate the opportunity to provide comment on the report, including the findings and recommendations.

Should you require any further information, please contact 

Yours sincerely



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