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#### **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (FOI) REQUEST**

I refer to your application under the *Freedom of Information Act 2016* (the Act) received by the Education Directorate (the Directorate) on 31 August 2022, in which you sought access to:

*A copy of the results of the November 2021 ACT Public Service Employee Survey, which have been provided to the Education Directorate by the Pilot ACTPS Survey team.*

I am advised that you sought the same information from a number of ACT Government Directorates and that the scope of your request was discussed between your office and the Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development's FOI team on 15 September 2022. This resulted in the scope being amended to:

*A copy of the results of the November 2021 ACT Public Service Employee Survey, specific to the Education Directorate.*

Thank you for clarifying this matter.

I am an Information Officer appointed by the Director-General under section 18 of the Act to deal with access applications made under Part 5 of the Act.

The Education Directorate was required to provide a decision on your access application by 29 September 2022.

#### **Decision on access**

Searches were completed for relevant records and one record was identified that falls within the scope of your request.

I have decided to grant full access to this record. It is provided at [Attachment A](#).

### **Additional information**

In your review of the record released, it may be of assistance to be aware that the survey was intended to be completed by Education Support Office staff only i.e. staff that are not employed in schools. A small number of school-based staff chose to complete the survey and their results are included; however, the results for this group may not be representative of the views of school-based staff overall, due to the small number involved. There were 78 respondents from approximately 6,000 staff, which represents 0.01% of the population and is not a statistically valid sample. The Directorate recommends that the results for this group be considered with caution.

### **Charges**

There is no charge associated with this request in accordance with section 107(2)(e) of the Act.

### **Online publishing – disclosure log**

Under section 28 of the Act, the Directorate maintains an online record of access applications called a disclosure log. Information about your request, my decision and records released to you in response to your access application will be published in the Directorate's disclosure log between three and 10 working days after a decision on access has been provided to you. Your personal information will not be published.

You may view the Directorate's disclosure log at

[https://www.education.act.gov.au/about\\_us/freedom\\_of\\_information/disclosure-log](https://www.education.act.gov.au/about_us/freedom_of_information/disclosure-log).

### **Ombudsman review**

My decision on your access request is a reviewable decision as identified in Schedule 3 of the Act. You have the right to seek Ombudsman review of this outcome under section 73 of the Act within 20 working days from the day that my decision is published in the Directorate's disclosure log, or a longer period allowed by the Ombudsman.

If you wish to request a review of my decision you may write to the Ombudsman at:

The ACT Ombudsman  
GPO Box 442  
CANBERRA ACT 2601

Email: [actfoi@ombudsman.gov.au](mailto:actfoi@ombudsman.gov.au)

### **ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal (ACAT) review**

Under section 84 of the Act, if a decision is made under section 82(1) on an Ombudsman review, you may apply to the ACAT for review of the Ombudsman decision.

Further information may be obtained from the ACAT at:

ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal  
Level 4, 1 Moore St  
GPO Box 370  
Canberra City ACT 2601

Telephone: (02) 6207 1740  
<http://www.acat.act.gov.au/>

If you have any queries concerning the Directorate's processing of your request, or would like further information, please contact the Directorate's FOI team on 02 6205 0720 or email [EducationFOI@act.gov.au](mailto:EducationFOI@act.gov.au).

Yours sincerely



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29 September 2022