

# Northern Territory Board of Studies

Communiqué – 26 May 2023 board meeting

## Background

The Northern Territory (NT) Board of Studies is charged with providing high quality advice to the Minister for Education and the Chief Executive of the Department of Education on curriculum policy in relation to:

- a) establishing and maintaining curriculum frameworks that address the needs of all students in the Northern Territory school education system
- b) establishing and maintaining procedures for student assessment, reporting and certification
- c) monitoring, evaluating and reporting on student performance
- d) improving student outcomes
- e) government policy that impacts the board's functions.

## Focus areas

At the second meeting of 2023 the Board set the agenda for the delivery of key pieces of work required throughout 2023.

### Board governance

The Board discussed a number of governance items, including the Terms of Reference, Workplan, Annual Report, NTBOS Strategic Plan 2022-27 and NTBOS policies. Given the volume of advice the board is preparing, a number of time-limited working groups have been established to progress key pieces of work out of session.

### Implementation of the Australian Curriculum version 9

Members discussed the progress in preparing advice to the Minister for Education on the implementation of the Australian Curriculum version 9, and acknowledged the support and advice provided by the curriculum leaders from all education sectors.

### Indigenous Languages and Cultures Curriculum Review

The board agreed to an external review of the Indigenous Languages and Cultures curriculum, in accordance with the review provisions in *Keeping Indigenous Languages and Cultures Strong: A plan for the teaching of Indigenous languages and cultures in Northern Territory schools*.

### Presentations at the 26 May 2023 NT Board of Studies board meeting

1. NT Secondary Education Review
2. Continuity of Learning Project
3. Transition Support Unit

### Next NT Board of Studies board meeting

The third NT Board of Studies Board meeting of 2023 is scheduled for Friday 11 August 2023.