

Boosting Literacy and Numeracy to support students for success

The Northern Territory's Boosting Literacy and Numeracy Plan is about helping every student to have the strongest start in life by investing in what matters most—foundational literacy and numeracy skills.

We're going back to basics, ensuring all students build strong reading and maths skills.

Every NT Government school will embrace a consistent, evidence-based approach to explicit teaching—one that reflects how children learn best—so that every learner can thrive and Territorians of all ages are learning the skills and developing capabilities to contribute to the Territory's economic and social future.



Why it's important

Explicit teaching reflects how students learn best. It is an evidence-based approach where teachers break down concepts into small, more manageable steps, enabling students to build understanding and independence.

Explicit teaching has been identified as the most effective and evidenced way to improve student learning. Improved resources and professional learning provided to our NT Government school teachers will help reduce teacher workloads.

The Boosting Literacy and Numeracy plan will ensure all NT Government schools are more consistent for students, families and teachers.

The foundations for student success in literacy and numeracy



Our plan is built on three key pillars for student achievement:

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High quality resources for teachers and students, and professional learning for school staff

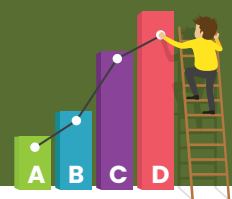
- 👁️ Planning resources for schools, outlining what to teach each term and each year
- 👁️ Clear guidance on curriculum delivery and effective teaching strategies for how students learn best
- 👁️ Sequenced lessons and teacher resources for explicit teaching of reading and mathematics
- 👁️ Ongoing training and support for school leaders and educators to build knowledge and confidence in teaching reading and mathematics
- 👁️ Access to Northern Territory developed professional learning suite focused on evidence-based teaching practices
- 👁️ The high quality resources, professional learning and advice provided to NT Government school teachers will help reduce teacher workloads.



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Screening assessment for early identification of students at risk

- 👁️ Systems to support schools with early identification of student learning needs through screening, monitoring and assessment
- 👁️ Required phonics and number checks for Year 1 students.



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Intentional and planned support for students falling behind

- 👁️ Guidance on effective assessment strategies to track progress
- 👁️ Targeted support for students struggling with reading and mathematics.



Empowering schools, engaging families

The Boosting Literacy and Numeracy plan is a system-wide, evidence-based approach to explicit teaching of reading and mathematics in NT Government schools. Quality educators are central to this plan and we are committed to supporting them in the important work they do.

We recognise the vital role families play in ensuring daily school attendance and partnering with schools to help children learn and reach their full potential. Materials for families to support their children at home with literacy and numeracy will be available.

Together, we are shaping a bright future for the Territory, by preparing our learners today.



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