

**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
HANSARD
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[Question Time excerpt...]

QUESTION TIME

Education Funding for A Fairer World Program

Ms WEBB question to MINISTER for EDUCATION, Ms PALMER

[2.34 p.m.]

Minister, my question relates to the need for ongoing delivery of preventive evidence-based programs such as those offered by A Fairer World, designed to improve inclusion, student wellbeing and teacher capacity to address matters of discrimination, all priorities identified in the 2025 Independent Review of Education in Tasmania. Evidence also shows these programs help avoid increased demand on higher cost services such as health, policing and child protection.

Minister, my question is are you aware of the significant and growing unmet need within schools for access to the best-practice training in this area, with A Fairer World having to turn down 25 requested sessions this last year alone due to limited funding across six southern-based schools and given A Fairer World's current funding for these programs runs out in December, will you confirm whether you intend to work with A Fairer World to discuss options to secure the ongoing delivery of these important programs and ensure that planning for the 2027 school year can get underway by November this year?

ANSWER [by Minister Pamer]

My understanding is that the service is funded until the end of the 2026 school year. I certainly appreciate the importance of partnerships with external organisations to assist in the delivery of programs in school. What I am advised, and can advise the House today, is the department will work with the organisation, A Fairer World, to review future funding options and processes and that is happening over the coming months.

Ms Webb - Well before the end of the year, minister?

Ms PALMER - I can advise you it's happening over the coming months.

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