



Australian Government
Department of Education

Department of Education
FOI Approvals and Authorisations
Freedom of Information Act 1982 (Cth)

I, Tony Cook PSM, Secretary of the Department of Education (department), make this instrument under sub-sections 10A(1) and 23(1) of the *Freedom of Information Act 1982 (Cth)* (the FOI Act):

- a) **Revoke** instrument DoEd 16-014.
- b) **Approve** the following arrangements pursuant to subsections 10A(1) and 23(1) of the FOI Act, and hereby authorise:
 - i. under subsection 23(1) of the FOI Act - those officers who from time to time hold, occupy, or perform the duties of a position specified in Column 2 of Schedule 1 to make decisions specified in Column 3 of Schedule 1; and
 - ii. under subsection 10A(1) of the FOI Act - those officers who from time to time hold, occupy, or perform the duties of a position specified in Column 2 of Schedule 2 to exercise powers and functions under Part II (Information Publication Scheme) of the FOI Act, including, without limitation, the powers or functions referred to in Column 3 of Schedule 2.

Office, Position, Team, Branch and Group Names

If the name of an office, position, team, branch, or group (an entity) in the department changes and that entity continues performing the same functions and duties under the new name, then the authorisations to that entity, or office or position in that entity, under this instrument continue unaffected.

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Commencement

This instrument commences on the date of signature.



Tony Cook PSM

Secretary

Department of Education

Dated.....19.....March 2026

Schedule 1

Column 1 Item	Column 2 Position	Column 3 Decisions
1.	All SES positions.	All decisions under the FOI Act in relation to a request to an agency.
2.	All positions of Principal Government Lawyer within the Legal Division.	All decisions under the FOI Act in relation to a request to an agency except the internal review of a decision made by a person in a position mentioned in Item 1.
3.	All positions of Senior Government Lawyer within the Legal Division.	All decisions under the FOI Act in relation to a request to an agency except the internal review of a decision made by a person in a position mentioned in Items 1 or 2.
4.	All positions of Government Lawyer and APS3 to APS6 Officers within the Legal Division.	All decisions under the FOI Act in relation to a request to an agency except the internal review of a decision made by a person in a position mentioned in Items 1, 2, or 3.

Schedule 2

Column 1 Item	Column 2 Position	Column 3 Powers and Functions
1.	All SES positions.	<p>The preparation of the department's plan under sub-section 8(1) of the FOI Act.</p> <p>The publication of information required to be published by the department under sub-section 8(2) and sub-section 8D(5) of the FOI Act.</p> <p>The publication of other information by the department under subsection 8(4) of the FOI Act.</p> <p>Decisions regarding imposition of a charge under subsection 8D(4) of the FOI Act.</p> <p>Conducting a review of the operation of the Information Publication Scheme in the department under section 9 of the FOI Act.</p>

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