



Regional reviews in Queensland

In 2019, the Department of Education commenced regional reviews.

The reviews form part of Queensland's bilateral agreement under the National School Reform Agreement.

Review focus

The reviews are conducted by the department's Education Improvement Branch (EIB) and are focused on the role regions play in supporting schools and early childhood education and care services.

Review team

Regional review teams are formed and led by the EIB.

Each team comprises a mix of experienced senior reviewers and education system leaders.

A typical regional review team structure is as follows:

- Assistant Director-General, EIB (review chair)
- Two Senior Reviewers, EIB
- External Reviewer, EIB
- Assistant Director-General, State Schools Division
- Regional Director (other region)
- Assistant Regional Director (other region)
- Education system leader (interstate)
- Early Childhood Education and Care senior leader
- Principal peer reviewer/Queensland state school principal.

Review tool

Regional review teams use the *Education System Improvement Tool* (ESIT) to frame the review and to make recommendations to the region for further consideration.

Developed by the Australian Council for Educational Research, the ESIT provides a framework for examining school systems. It consists of six domains of effective practice:

- Clarity of vision and purpose
- Enabling effective leadership
- Evidence-based policy and practice
- Quality teaching
- Collaborative networks and partnerships
- Targeted use of resources.

Review process

During the review, the review team will seek to engage with as many people as possible, including the regional leadership team, office staff, school principals and leaders, key stakeholders and community representatives.

The review team will use a mix of individual interviews, group meetings and larger focus groups to conduct the review. The team will be based in a regional office for the first two days of the review, followed by time in and around the region over the following days.

On the final day of the review, the team will return to a regional office, where they will consolidate their findings and provide a final review briefing to the regional leadership team.

More information

For more information or to register your interest in participating in a regional review, email eibmb@qed.qld.gov.au