

Reviewers

School reviews are conducted by experienced principals, trained and appointed by the Department of Education's School and Region Reviews (SRR) team.

Review teams are tailored to a school's context and needs. Teams usually consist of 2 to 4 reviewers and may include a principal, reviews, a peer reviewer and external reviewer.

A senior principal, reviews or principal, reviews chair each review.

Senior principals, reviews

Senior principals, reviews are experienced principals, with strong understanding and experience in school reviews appointed to SRR. They lead training and oversee all aspects of school reviews.

Principals, reviews

Principals, reviews are experienced state school principals seconded to SRR for a period of time.

A recruitment process is generally run at the end of each year.

Opportunities to become a principal, reviews are advertised periodically on smartjobs.qld.gov.au.

Principal, peer reviewers

All Queensland state school principals are invited to be trained as peer reviewers.

By undertaking the training, principals develop a deeper understanding of the review process and how the *School Improvement Tool* can be used to support school improvement.

Principals who complete the training can step outside of their school for the duration of a review to participate as a principal, peer reviewer.

For more information on these training programs visit the school reviews website.

External reviewers

External reviewers are experienced educators from outside the department who join review teams bringing additional independence, expertise and rigour to the review process. They are contracted by the department under a standing offer arrangement.

Many external reviewers are former Queensland state school principals or have served in senior officer positions within the department. Others come from non-state schools, interstate or higher education. All external reviewers bring with them a strong understanding of school improvement and educational leadership.

Before participating in a school review, external reviewers undergo a comprehensive induction program. To ensure their knowledge and skills remain current external reviewers attend at least 2 additional training days each year.

Invitations to offer external reviewer services are published periodically on the Queensland Government's QTenders website at https://qtenders.epw.qld.gov.au. Interested parties should register their details online.

More information

Visit the school reviews website at schoolreviews.education.qld.gov.au or phone (07) 3035 2217.

