NEW TEACHERS GET READY FOR SCHOOL
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The Territory’s newest teachers are being welcomed this week through the Arriving in the Territory orientation program.

This year there are 88 new teachers starting in the Territory: 22 home-grown Territory teachers (CDU graduates), 29 local recruits and 37 from interstate.

Minister for Education, John Elferink said the government will continue in its progress to ensure teaching in the Territory is an attractive option.

“The Mills Government provided certainty and security for our teachers by offering permanency to those on contracts. The Territory also offers very competitive salary packages to educators, reflecting the important role they play in our community,” Mr Elferink said.

“The orientation program provides new teachers with essential information and guidance to ensure a smooth entry into their school and community.

“The program includes workshops about Territory teaching standards, support and services and is a great opportunity for new teachers to start building professional relationships.

“This year 29 new teachers will head to our remote schools and the orientation program also includes four wheel driving training for those teachers.

“The Mills Government is committed to ensuring all Territorians have access to quality education and training and attracting and retaining the best teachers possible is at the core of achieving this,” Mr Elferink said.

School goes back across the Territory next week with urban school starting on 29 January and remote schools on 30 January.

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