CHANDLER FLIP FLOPS CAUSING CHAOS

Shadow Education Minister Natasha Fyles has called on Education Minister Peter Chandler to stop the confusion over school staffing and release the allocation figures today.

“Chandler’s flip flopping on teacher cuts, cancelling those in some schools while going ahead and slashing others, is only causing more confusion in our schools,” Ms Fyles said.

“Has the Minister has changed his mind and bowed to pressure from some of his bush colleagues and decided to leave some remote schools alone?

“The problem is many remote teachers have already started the process of moving or have gone.

“We know that the remote group schools in Central Australia are losing their principals, that is unless the Minister has changed his mind again.

“Bush schools in the Barkly are losing secondary education programs, which means secondary school students from places like Ali Curung will have to stay in Tennant Creek to go to high school.

“The Minister has caused chaos in schools by refusing to make it clear to teachers, parents and the wider community exactly how many staff have been allocated to each school.

“Why won’t he just come clean and release the figures so school staff and parents know exactly what is going on in their schools?

“He won’t release the figures because he keeps changing his mind, punishing some schools while leaving others alone.”

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