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CSC FACING CUTS UNDER GLOBAL SCHOOL BUDGETS

Shadow Minister for Education, Nicole Manison, today said the Casuarina Senior College (CSC) School Council last night rejected the CLP Government’s Global School Budget which would cut staff and subject choices for students.

“The CSC parents are appalled that for the third year in a row the CLP are cutting resources to a school that is keen to deliver teaching excellence to our children,” Ms Manison said.

“Despite promises that no school would be worse off, Global School Budget allocations are forcing schools to have to make more cuts.

“Global School Budgets are cuts by stealth to the Territory’s education system.

“To deliver the Global School Budget, CSC would have to cut 5.8 teachers and their home liaison officer and still be $672,000 in the red.

“With these cuts students would see reduced subject selections.

“I hope the Minister for Education Peter Chandler meets with the School Council urgently as they have requested.

“The Leader of the Opposition Delia Lawrie is a CSC School Council parent and shares their concerns about the cuts.”

Ms Manison said students across the Territory deserve well-resourced schools, instead they are facing a third straight year of cuts under the CLP Government.

“Peter Chandler promised no school would be worse off under Global School Budgets. The fact is schools are worse off and he needs to take action to stop the cuts and honour his promise.”

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