Five Territory teachers were honoured today with national awards for teaching excellence.

Minister for Employment, Education and Training Syd Stirling said the teachers received National Excellence in Teaching Awards, as well as endowments for their schools, at a ceremony in Adelaide today.

The teachers are:

**Heather Black** (Berry Springs Primary School) "for excellence in primary education"

**Anthony Oliver** (Ross Park Primary School) "for enthusiasm and example in primary teaching"

**Di Sullivan** (Alyangula Area School) "for excellence in use of new technology for learning"

**Cath Greene** (Anzac Hill High School) "for excellence in languages education"

**Chris Rothery** (Tennant Creek High School) "for encouraging student involvement in secondary education"

"These awards are "people’s choice" awards, with teachers nominated by School Councils, parents of children taught by the teacher, and secondary students," Mr Stirling said.

"This is a fantastic achievement for each of these educators and the best result the Territory has had in the nine years the awards have been running.

"On behalf of the Government, I would like to congratulate them for their commitment to excellence in teaching and striving to achieving the best possible educational outcomes for their students.

"It is a particularly pleasing result for Tennant Creek High School – it is the third year in a row that one of their teachers has won a National Excellence in Teaching Award."

Mr Stirling said the five Territory award winners were chosen from among 40 nominations from the NT and 2,646 nationally by an independent panel made up of specialist, teacher, student and parent representatives.