Eleven potential recruits have been identified for the 22 teacher vacancies that currently exist in the Territory, with recruitment processes continuing as a priority, Minister for Employment, Education and Training Syd Stirling said today.

Mr Stirling said the vacancies represented 1.1% of all classroom-based teachers in Government schools.

"Many of these vacancies are in specialist teaching areas, including such things as physical education, Indonesian, special education and counselling," Mr Stirling said.

"Others are in areas where teacher shortages are being experienced across Australia and some are part-time positions.

"Parents can be assured that no classroom will be left without a teacher for Semester Two.

"Teacher recruitment is an ongoing process, and the Department of Employment, Education and Training (DEET) will continue to work hard to attract new teachers to the Territory.

"I had the pleasure of addressing a number of new teacher recruits, from both the Territory and interstate, during their orientation last week. They were all looking forward to starting work in the Territory school system."

Mr Stirling said DEET had been working hard on maximising every opportunity to attract the best possible teachers to the Territory.

"The Department has particularly been focusing on attracting teachers from regional areas of Australia who will be more likely to help meet our needs in the remote schools of the Territory," he said.

"There has been extensive advertising in regional newspapers and DEET staff have been attending regional fairs throughout Australia, as well as targeting graduates from regional universities.

"DEET and the Department of Business, Industry and Resource Development are also working together to target potentially suitable teachers who are holidaying in Australia for extended periods and are willing to work as relief teachers in some of our remote areas."