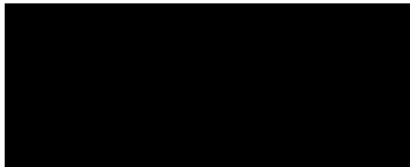




29 October 2019



Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email of 26 August 2019 to the Ministry of Education requesting the following information:

1. *How many teachers with a LAT have gone on to become fully qualified in the last 10 years? Please show data for each year, and the reason for the issuing of the LAT.*
2. *How many schools have applied for top-up grants to employ LAT teachers this year? Please show data for each month of this year.*
3. *How many schools applied for the top-up grant to employ LAT teachers in the last 10 years (2008-2018). Please show data for each year.*

On 30 August 2019, we transferred the first part of your request to the Teaching Council to respond to in accordance with section 14 of the Act.

On 18 September 2019, we wrote to you to extend the timeframe of our response to your request, pursuant to section 15(A)(1)(b) of the Act, for the reason that consultations were necessary to make a decision on your request and therefore a proper response to your request could not reasonably be made within the original time limit.

Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

The Recruitment, Retention and Responsibility national fund (3RNF) is available to schools to attract or retain someone employed with a Limited Authority to Teach.

In December 2017, the 3RNF came into effect as part of the Teacher Supply Package, prior to that the data did not exist. The table below shows the number of 3RNF applications approved since the grant was established:

FINANCIAL YEAR	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	TOTAL
2017/18	3RNF announced in December 2017								3	1	1	1	6
2018/19			2			1		10	4	11	18	6	52
2019/20	1	5		1									7

Please note, the Ministry now proactively publishes OIA responses on our website. As such, we may publish this response on our website after five working days. Your name and contact details will be removed.

Thank you again for your email. You have the right to ask an Ombudsman to review this decision. You can do this by writing to info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Yours sincerely



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