

## MEDIA RELEASE

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### MY SCHOOL WEBSITE UPDATED WITH 2018 NAPLAN DATA

Today, the *My School* website has been updated with the data from the latest round of NAPLAN tests, along with other information, including school profile information.

*My School* provides information that assists parents, school leaders, teachers and governments in understanding the performance of schools and helps parents engage with their children's education.

*My School* gives nationally consistent information about Australian schools for use by parents, school communities and governments.

For parents, *My School* provides a wealth of valuable information to help make informed decisions about their child's education. For educators, *My School* allows for the sharing of information about school achievements with the aim of supporting and driving improvement across the nation.

*My School* includes an Index of Community Socio-Educational Advantage (ICSEA), which indicates the average educational advantage of a school's students. It is calculated using information about parent occupation and education, school geographical location and the proportion of Indigenous students. A school's ICSEA value is provided to encourage fair comparisons.

The 2019 *My School* update contains:

- 2018 NAPLAN results for schools
- 2018 school profile and population data
- 2017 school financial information, including capital expenditure and sources of funding.

2018 was the first year of transition to NAPLAN Online. *My School* has been updated with NAPLAN data as in previous years, with additional information indicating whether the school did NAPLAN on paper or online.

The NAPLAN Online logo and a dotted line on data graphs are included on NAPLAN data screens for schools that undertook NAPLAN online. When comparing schools with similar ICSEA scores, a new interactive feature of *My School* indicates whether the comparison school undertook NAPLAN on paper or online.

As NAPLAN is in transition, to ensure fair comparisons across modes, the 2018 results for the proportion of students in each NAPLAN performance band for online schools are not presented on *My School*.

NAPLAN provides a snapshot of a child's assessment at a point in time and individual student results should be considered together with school-based assessments. Results should be interpreted with care. Teachers have the best insight into their students' educational progress.

Visit the *My School* website at [www.myschool.edu.au](http://www.myschool.edu.au).

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