

Senate Standing Committee on Community Affairs

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Additional Estimates 2012-2013

Outcome 2 - Schools and Youth

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Question

NT Indigenous student NAPLAN results

1. Is it true that a number of Northern Territory Indigenous school students are performing worse now on some NAPLAN indicators than they were in 2008?
2. Identify those NAPLAN indicators where Indigenous performance has deteriorated between 2008 and 2013.
3. Provide details of any plans that the Department has for reversing this disturbing trend.
4. Provide NAPLAN results for each school in the Northern Territory for 2008 and for 2012.

Answer

1.
 - Comparing the NAPLAN 2008 results and 2012 results across all year levels and domains, the achievement of Northern Territory (NT) Indigenous students declined only for Year 3 Numeracy. Between 2008 and 2012 there were statistically significant improvements for both mean scale score and percentage at or above the national minimum standard for Year 3 Spelling and Year 7 Grammar and Punctuation. All other results showed no statistically significant change.
 - Comparison cannot be made for NAPLAN Writing as the genre changed in 2011, and 2012 results are not comparable with 2008 results.
2.
 - Information is only available up to 2012 as NAPLAN testing has not yet been conducted for 2013.
 - In 2012 the mean scale score and the percentage at or above the national minimum standard for NT Indigenous students were statistically significantly lower than in 2008 for Year 3 Numeracy only. All other results showed statistically significant improvement or no change.
3.
 - The Australian Government is supporting Indigenous students in the NT via a number of programs including almost \$61 million to date through Literacy and Numeracy National Partnerships, the Low SES National Partnership and the \$543 million Stronger Futures Northern Territory National Partnership.

- The Australian Government proposes to introduce a National Plan for School Improvement which will deliver a new school funding system to help make sure that every school has the money it needs to do a great job and give every student the support they need.
- Under the plan, every student will receive a benchmark amount. Extra money called loadings will support the schools and students that need it most. The loadings will support small and remote schools and students from low SES backgrounds, Indigenous students, students with disability and students with limited English skills.
- The NT Government has until 30 June 2013 to agree to the new measures that would deliver an extra \$300 million and bring total public investment in NT schools to \$5 billion over the period 2014–2019.

4.

- The NAPLAN results for NT schools for 2008 and 2012 are publicly available on the My School website at: www.myschool.edu.au.
- Over 70 pages of NAPLAN results per school are available on My School for such comparisons.
- A list of all schools in the NT is at Attachment A showing the school name (in alphabetical order by sector); sector (government, Catholic or independent) school type (primary, secondary, combined or special); and geolocation (provincial, remote and very remote).
- The NAPLAN results for each school in the NT are not provided in this response because this information is publicly available (section 12(1)(b) of the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* refers) and reproduction of this information would substantially and unreasonably divert the agency's resources from its other operations (section 17(2) of the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* refers).

SCHOOL NAME	State	Sector	School Type	Geolocation
Acacia Hill School	NT	G	Special	Remote
Adelaide River School	NT	G	Combined	Remote
Alawa Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Provincial
Alcoota School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Alekarenge School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Alice Springs School Of The Air	NT	G	Combined	Remote
Alpurrurulam School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Alyangula Area School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Alyarrmandumanja Umbakumba School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Amanbidji School	NT	G	Primary	Very Remote
Amoonguna School	NT	G	Primary	Remote
Ampilatwatja School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Angurugu School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Anula Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Provincial
Areyonga School	NT	G	Primary	Very Remote
Arlparra School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Bakewell Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Provincial
Baniyala Garrangali School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Barunga School	NT	G	Combined	Remote
Batchelor Area School	NT	G	Combined	Remote
Bees Creek Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Provincial
Belyuen School	NT	G	Primary	Remote
Berry Springs Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Provincial
Bonya School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Borrooloola School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Bradshaw Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Remote
Braitling Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Remote
Bulla Camp School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Bulman School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Canteen Creek School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Casuarina Senior College	NT	G	Secondary	Provincial
Casuarina Street Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Remote
Centralian Middle School	NT	G	Secondary	Remote
Centralian Senior College	NT	G	Secondary	Remote
Clyde Fenton Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Remote
Darwin High School	NT	G	Secondary	Provincial
Darwin Middle School	NT	G	Secondary	Provincial
Docker River School	NT	G	Primary	Very Remote
Douglas Daly School	NT	G	Primary	Remote
Dripstone Middle School	NT	G	Secondary	Provincial
Driver Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Provincial
Dundee Beach School	NT	G	Primary	Remote

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Durack Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Provincial
Elliott School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Epenarra School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Finke School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Gapuwiyak School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Gillen Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Remote
Girraween Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Provincial
Gochan Jiny Jirra School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Gray Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Provincial
Gunbalanya School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Haasts Bluff School	NT	G	Primary	Very Remote
Harts Range School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Henbury School	NT	G	Special	Provincial
Howard Springs Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Provincial
Humpty Doo Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Provincial
Imanpa School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Jabiru Area School	NT	G	Combined	Remote
Jilkminggan School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Jingili Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Provincial
Kalkaringi School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Karama Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Provincial
Katherine High School	NT	G	Secondary	Remote
Katherine School Of The Air	NT	G	Combined	Remote
Katherine South Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Remote
Kiana School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Kintore Street School	NT	G	Special	Remote
Lajamanu School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Laramba School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Larapinta Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Remote
Larrakeyah Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Provincial
Leanyer Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Provincial
Ludmilla Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Provincial
MacFarlane Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Remote
Malak Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Provincial
Mamaruni School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Maningrida School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Manunda Terrace Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Provincial
Manyallaluk School	NT	G	Primary	Very Remote
Mataranka School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
MBunghara School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Middle Point School	NT	G	Primary	Provincial
Milikapiti School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Milingimbi School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote

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Millner Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Provincial
Milyakburra School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Minyerri School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Moil Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Provincial
Moulden Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Provincial
Mount Allan School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Mulga Bore School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Murray Downs School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Mutitjulu School	NT	G	Primary	Very Remote
Nakara Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Provincial
Nemarluk School	NT	G	Special	Provincial
Neutral Junction School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Newcastle Waters School	NT	G	Primary	Very Remote
Nganambala School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Nganmariyanga School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Ngukurr School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Nhulunbuy High School	NT	G	Secondary	Very Remote
Nhulunbuy Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Very Remote
Nightcliff Middle School	NT	G	Secondary	Provincial
Nightcliff Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Provincial
Northern Territory Open Education Centre	NT	G	Secondary	Remote
Ntaria School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Numbulwar School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Nyirripi School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Palmerston Senior College	NT	G	Secondary	Provincial
Papunya School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Parap Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Provincial
Peppimenarti School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Pigeon Hole School	NT	G	Primary	Very Remote
Pine Creek School	NT	G	Combined	Remote
Pularumpi School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Ramingining School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Robinson River School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Rockhampton Downs School	NT	G	Primary	Very Remote
Rosebery Middle School	NT	G	Secondary	Provincial
Rosebery Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Provincial
Ross Park Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Remote
Sadadeen Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Remote
Sanderson Middle School	NT	G	Secondary	Provincial
Shepherdson College	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Stirling School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Stuart Park Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Provincial

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Taminmin College	NT	G	Secondary	Provincial
Tennant Creek High School	NT	G	Secondary	Very Remote
Tennant Creek Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Very Remote
Ti Tree School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Timber Creek School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Tipperary Station School	NT	G	Primary	Remote
Titjikala School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Urapunga School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Wagaman Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Provincial
Wallace Rockhole School	NT	G	Primary	Remote
Walungurru School	NT	G	Primary	Very Remote
Wanguri Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Provincial
Warruwi School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Watarrka School	NT	G	Primary	Very Remote
Watiyawanu School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Willowra School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Woodroffe Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Provincial
Woolaning School	NT	G	Primary	Remote
Woolianna School	NT	G	Combined	Remote
Wugularr School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Wulagi Primary School	NT	G	Primary	Provincial
Yarralin School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Yirrkala Homeland School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Yirrkala School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Yuendumu School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Yulara School	NT	G	Combined	Very Remote
Holy Family Catholic Primary School	NT	C	Primary	Provincial
Holy Spirit Catholic Primary School	NT	C	Primary	Provincial
Ltyentye Apurte Catholic School	NT	C	Combined	Remote
MacKillop Catholic College	NT	C	Secondary	Provincial
Murrupurtiyanuwu Catholic Primary School	NT	C	Primary	Very Remote
O'Loughlin Catholic College	NT	C	Secondary	Provincial
Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Catholic College	NT	C	Combined	Remote
Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Thamarrurr Catholic College	NT	C	Combined	Very Remote
Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School	NT	C	Primary	Provincial
St Francis of Assisi Catholic Primary School	NT	C	Primary	Provincial
St Francis Xavier Catholic School	NT	C	Combined	Very Remote
St John's Catholic College	NT	C	Secondary	Provincial
St Joseph's Catholic College	NT	C	Combined	Remote

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St Joseph's Catholic Flexible Learning Centre	NT	C	Special	Remote
St Mary's Catholic Primary School	NT	C	Primary	Provincial
St Paul's Catholic Primary School	NT	C	Primary	Provincial
Xavier Catholic College	NT	C	Secondary	Very Remote
Araluen Christian College	NT	I	Combined	Remote
Gawa Christian School	NT	I	Combined	Very Remote
Good Shepherd Lutheran College	NT	I	Combined	Provincial
Kormilda College	NT	I	Combined	Provincial
Living Waters Lutheran Primary School	NT	I	Primary	Remote
Mapuru Christian School	NT	I	Combined	Very Remote
Marrara Christian School	NT	I	Combined	Provincial
Milkwood Steiner School	NT	I	Primary	Provincial
Nhulunbuy Christian School	NT	I	Combined	Very Remote
Northern Territory Christian College	NT	I	Secondary	Provincial
Nyangatjatjara College	NT	I	Secondary	Very Remote
Palmerston Christian School	NT	I	Combined	Provincial
Sattler Christian College	NT	I	Combined	Provincial
St Andrew Lutheran School	NT	I	Primary	Provincial
St Philip's College	NT	I	Secondary	Remote
The Alice Springs Steiner School	NT	I	Primary	Remote
The Essington School Darwin	NT	I	Combined	Provincial
Tiwi College	NT	I	Combined	Very Remote
Woolaning Homeland Christian College	NT	I	Secondary	Remote
Yipirinya School	NT	I	Combined	Remote
Yirara College	NT	I	Secondary	Remote