

## SHAILER PARK STATE HIGH SCHOOL

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## Nationally Collection of Data on School Students with Disability

Dear parents/carers,

Collecting data on school students with disability helps teachers, principals and education authorities support the participation of students with disability in schooling on the same basis as students without disability.

All Australian Governments have agreed to work together on the annual collection of data on school students with disability.

In 2013, 10% of Queensland state schools participated in the first year of implementation. In 2014, two thirds of Queensland schools will participate and all schools will be collect data from 2015. Our school will be involved in the nationally consistent collection of data from this year.

Please be reassured that the Department will not provide on to another organisation any data that can identify an individual student. The only data being collected at the school level to be reported nationally is the:

- number of students in the school who are provided with an adjustment to address a disability;
- level of adjustments we provide for those students; and
- broad category of disability.

Consultation with parents is important not only for the data collection but also to ensure you aware of the adjustments being provided to support your child. We will therefore continue to consult with you.

While only data that cannot identify your child will be submitted outside of the Department, if you do not wish for your child's details to be included, please let me know.

Information and fact sheets are available to help you make a decision from the:

- Department's website: <a href="http://education.qld.gov.au/curriculum/disability-data-collection.html">http://education.qld.gov.au/curriculum/disability-data-collection.html</a>
- Australian Government Department of Education website: <a href="http://education.gov.au/nationally-consistent-collection-data-school-students-disability">http://education.gov.au/nationally-consistent-collection-data-school-students-disability</a>

Alternatively, if you have any queries about the collection or use of this data I encourage you to contact me

directly.

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School Principal

