

## NAPLAN ONLINE PRIVACY NOTICE

Australian education ministers have agreed that all schools will move to NAPLAN Online by 2020. This means moving NAPLAN from the current paper-based tests to online assessments. Readiness tests may be undertaken by schools that are in the process of moving to NAPLAN Online.

The Northern Territory Department of Education (NT DoE) is responsible for administering NAPLAN in the Northern Territory.

### Data Collection

Data collected by NT DoE may be disclosed to third party organisations for purposes related to your child's education. The data collected and stored is only used for the purposes outlined in NT DoE's [Privacy Statement](#), and to provide student achievement and growth data at a system, school, class and student level. The NT Department of Education will collect from government and non-government schools and/or non-government school systems the following data categories for each participating student: student name, student identifier, gender, date of birth, year level, country of birth, Indigenous status, language background and parents' education and occupation.

This information is usually collected by schools through the student enrolment form. Supplying this information will make sure that the right people have access to information about your child. Please contact the school's principal if you would like to discuss, in the strictest confidence, any matters relating to your family's circumstances. This information can be accessed and corrected by contacting the school.

NT DoE may also obtain information from schools and school authorities about personal needs and preferences, and test performance data of students who require alternative items and test provisions to participate in NAPLAN Online. Student responses to test questions are also collected during readiness and May test events.

### How will the data be used for NAPLAN testing?

The data may be used to:

- conduct NAPLAN testing;
- provide reports relating to NAPLAN testing; and
- undertake research and compile statistics.

### Third party organisations

The provision of students' and parents' information to third parties is required to conduct NAPLAN testing as part of the primary purpose of collecting it. NT DoE will share data with:

- the Australian Curriculum Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA). ACARA is established under the [Australian Curriculum Assessment and Reporting Authority Act 2008 \(Cth\)](#) (the Act). The Act authorises ACARA to collect and use personal information for purposes including education policy development. For information on ACARA's privacy policy, go to <http://www.acara.edu.au/contact-us/privacy>
- Education Services Australia Limited (ESA). ESA is a national not-for-profit company owned by education ministers. NT DoE will provide ESA access to student information in order to effectively operate the NAPLAN Online platform. For information on ESA's privacy policy, go to: <https://www.esa.edu.au/contact-us/privacy>

- Pearson Australia Group Pty Ltd (Pearson). Pearson is a third party provider utilised by NT DoE under contractual arrangements to support NAPLAN testing. Student information is provided to Pearson for this purpose. Under the contractual arrangements, Pearson manages this information in a manner consistent with Privacy Laws, and retains all information within Australia. For information on Pearson, go to: <http://www.pearson.com.au/privacy-policy/>

### **Further information**

More detailed information is available at the following links:

- For information about NAPLAN Online and protecting privacy, go to: <http://nap.edu.au/naplan/parent-carer-support/privacy>
- For more information regarding the DoE's obligations in relation to protecting your privacy, go to: <https://nt.gov.au/law/rights/privacy-your-rights> or contact the department
- For a copy of the DoE's privacy policy and privacy complaint procedures go to: <https://education.nt.gov.au/education/policies/complaints>.

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