



Department of  
**Education**

# **National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) - CEO Instruction**

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## 1. Content

### **CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S (CEO) INSTRUCTION FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NATIONAL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM LITERACY AND NUMERACY (NAPLAN) TESTING**

As a result of the National Education Agreement, all Western Australian public schools are required to conduct the NAPLAN tests.

A CEO's Instruction for implementation of the NAPLAN testing is attached.

It is acknowledged that the testing in past years was well managed by principals in the majority of schools.

Principals and teachers are reminded that they are required to perform the duties necessary for the administration and implementation of the NAPLAN testing in public schools. Failure to comply with a CEO Instruction constitutes a breach of discipline for the purpose of Section 80 of the Public Sector Management Act 1994.

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) continues in schools during 11-13 May 2010. Students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 are assessed using national tests in reading, writing, language conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy.

The NAPLAN tests were developed collaboratively by the States and Territories, the private education sectors and the Australian Government. The tests broadly reflect the curriculum content across all States and Territories, and the types of test questions and test formats were chosen so that they would be familiar to teachers and students.

These tests have replaced the various state and territory-based assessments and have the support of all education ministers via the National Education Agreement with the Australian Government.

Principals are asked to ensure that staff are advised accordingly.

### **CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S INSTRUCTION NATIONAL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM LITERACY AND NUMERACY (NAPLAN)**

I hereby instruct, pursuant to section 233 of the School Education Act 1999 ('Act'), that principals,

in accordance with their functions under section 63 of the Act, and teachers in accordance with their functions under section 64 of the Act, employed by the Department of Education will perform the duties necessary for the administration and implementation of the NAPLAN testing in public schools.

The National Education Agreement with the Commonwealth Government requires all Western Australian public schools to conduct the NAPLAN tests. In 2010, NAPLAN tests will be undertaken by students during the week of 11-13 May 2010, and in subsequent years at times nominated by the Commonwealth.

**SHARYN O'NEILL**

DIRECTOR GENERAL

## **2. More information**

### **Supporting content**

No supporting content found.