



2009 NAPLAN Results for MGGS

The National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) tests conducted in May 2009, assessed Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 students across the nation in literacy and numeracy.

All tests were constructed nationally, in consultation with all States and Territories. For the literacy assessment, Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 students completed three tests consisting of a Reading test, a Writing test and a Language Conventions test. For numeracy, Years 3 and 5 students completed one Numeracy test and Years 7 and 9 students completed two Numeracy tests, the first of which permitted the use of a calculator.

The Victorian Curriculum Assessment Authority (VCAA) provides reports on individual student results and school data to all Victorian schools and distributes Parent Reports to schools. The Parent Reports contain a summary of each student's individual assessment and these were posted home in the last week of Term 3. Please note that the information about each student is confidential to the child's parents, the teacher and the School.

The National Assessment Program scale maps student outcomes onto a ten band continuum and defines a national minimum standard for each year level. The Year 3 report shows Bands 1 to 6, the Year 5 report shows Bands 3 to 8, the Year 7 report shows Bands 4 to 9, and the Year 9 report shows Bands 5 to 10. Each school is provided with confidential data about the achievements of the individual students and the year level for each test and compares State data for Victoria. The national data has not yet been made public or been provided to schools.

We are delighted with the results our students have achieved in the NAPLAN. 100 % of MGGS students have achieved at or above the national minimum standard for literacy and numeracy across all levels. Our students scored above the State averages in the areas of Reading, Grammar and Punctuation, Structure, Spelling and Number. At the Year 9 level, MGGS students scored significantly above the State in all areas, but particularly in: Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation, Structure, Reading and Space and Number.

- For Year 3 the minimum standard is Band 2, at MGGS 96% of students were in Bands 3 to 6 for Literacy and 91% of students were in Bands 5 and 6 for Numeracy.
- For Year 5 the minimum standard is Band 4, at MGGS 99% of students were in Bands 5 to 8 for Literacy and 90% were in Bands 5 to 8 for Numeracy.
- For Year 7 the minimum standard is Band 5, at MGGS 99% of students were in Bands 5 – 10 (with 84% in Bands 7 to 9) and 96% were in Bands 6 to 9 (with 77% in Bands 7 to 9) for Numeracy.
- For Year 9 the minimum standard is Band 6, at MGGS 99% of students were in Bands 6 to 10 (with 82% in Bands 8 -10) for Literacy and 100% of students were in Bands 6 to 10 (with 83% in Bands 8 to 10) for Numeracy.

Further details about the NAPLAN tests and minimum standards are provided on the NAPLAN website at: www.naplan.edu.au. Reports showing individual student growth across testing years will be introduced for Year 5 and Year 9 students in 2010.

It is important to note that this form of testing is one of a wide range of tools that can be used to measure and track student performance. The NAPLAN test results should be viewed in conjunction with a variety of other information collected and disseminated by the School including parent teacher interviews, interim reports, assessment items and the end of semester report.