# STATEMENTS IN RELATION TO NAPLAN

## Ben Jensen, Chief Executive Officer of education policy think tank Learning First

Ben Jensen, chief executive officer of education policy think tank Learning First, said the [improved Queensland NAPLAN results](http://www.theaustralian.com.au/national-affairs/in-depth/schools-on-the-rise-after-tests-deliver-wakeup-call/story-fnd17met-1226961814455) showed the positive impact of the introduction of the NAP­LAN tests, which ushered in a concentration of effort and resources on ensuring students had the necessary fundamental skills. ‘We know Queensland was shocked by their [NAPLAN] results in 2008, as was most of the country, and it’s put great emphasis on improvement in literacy and numeracy.’

**Source:**

Justine Ferrari, *The Australian*

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‘The NAPLAN data is only a snapshot of student performance over three days in May, but it provides a health check of our education system and highlights examples of exemplary schools.’

## Clive Mathieson – Editor of *The Australian*

*The Australian’s* Editor Clive Mathieson said the website was a resource for parents in often stressful decision of choosing a school.

**Source:**

[Justine Ferrari, *Weekend Australian,* 21 June 2014](http://www.theaustralian.com.au/national-affairs/in-depth/your-school-makes-the-process-of-picking-a-school-easier/story-fnd17met-1226961727755)