Criteria for inclusion in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data (NCCD)

In 2015, all schools in Australia will participate in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (the national data collection (NCCD)). It is an annual collection that counts the number of school students with a diagnosed disability and/or had a reasonable level of support/adjustments made to support their participation in education. Therefore it is mandatory for Westfields Sports High School to be involved and be recognised for the work in supporting each child identified with a learning and support need.

The NCCD will collect data on the number of students receiving adjustments who meet the definition of disability under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 and the Disability Standards for Education. For e.g.

- Physical impaired
- Cognitive (intellectual or learning need)
- Sensory
- Social/emotional

Students being provided with an adjustment for disability are included in the Annual Data Collection where there is evidence that:

- The adjustments have been provided for a minimum of 10 weeks in the 12 months preceding the NCCD
- The adjustments are based on the assessed education needs of individual students
- The adjustments are provided in collaboration and consultation of the student and/or parent/carers.
- The impact of the adjustment is monitored
- The functional impact of the student's ability results in the school actively addressing the student specific additional education needs.

These include a student in the NCCD schools will draw on a wider range of evidence in school.

Effective management of data to maintain evidence of the process of Personalised Learning and Support for students, forms part of the school's accountability for students with additional learning and support needs.

THE NCCD IS COMPULSORY

Furthermore, parents/carers of students currently being provided an adjustment for disability cannot 'opt out' their child/ren from being entered in the data. Staff entering the data will consult all parent/carers of their child/ren that are being included.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Contact your child's school Learning and Support Team if you have further questions about the NCCD on School Students with Disability and how it may involve your child.


An e-learning resource about the Disability Standards for Education 2005 is freely available for the use of individuals, families and communities at http://resource.dse.theeducationinstitute.edu.au/