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To excel in the art of teaching and the pursuit of learning
with open hearts and open minds.

Newsflash

Earlier this year, the following information was provided in a College newsletter. Data is due tomorrow. **Parents and caregivers have the option to request that data not be collected regarding their child. If this is the case, please contact the school administration by 2.40 pm on Friday 1st August 2014.**

Nationally Consistent Collection of Data: School Students with Disability

The Australian Government and all state and territory governments have agreed to work towards the full implementation of a nationally consistent collection of data on school students with disability by 2015. Better information about school students with disability will help teachers, principals and education authorities to support students with disability to take part in school on the same basis as students without disability.

As part of the three year rollout (2013-15) Earnshaw State College will be participating in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data; School Students with Disability (NCCD:SSD), commencing this year.

For the purposes of this program, data on the inclusion of a student as meeting the definition of disability under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 will be recorded over a 10 week period at school level. This data will reflect the level of adjustments that are provided, both within and outside of the classroom to assist in students learning or to access the school facilities and services. The data is then de-identified (meaning no personal student details are included) and collected at a Federal level.

Please be aware that the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 has a broad definition of disability, and as such it is not only students who are verified under Education Queensland policy who will be included in

the data collection. Schools who participated in this roll out last year reported that up to 25% of their students met the definition of disability as per the Disability Discrimination Act 1992.

Further information about the NCCD:SSD can be found at www.education.gov.au/nationally-consistent-collection-data-school-students-disability. If you would like more information as to the definition of disability under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 this can be at www.humanrights.gov.au or you are welcome to contact the school administration at any time.

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