

PUBLIC SCHOOLS — STUDENT ATTENDANCE RATES

4168. Mr P.J. Rundle to the minister representing the Minister for Education and Training:

For each Western Australian Government school in 2016, 2017 and 2018:

- (a) How many students' attendance rate was between 80 and 89 per cent:
 - (i) (i) What is this number as a percentage of total student enrolment for each school;
- (b) How many students' attendance rate was between 60 and 80 per cent:
 - (ii) (i) What is this number as a percentage of total student enrolment for each school; and
- (c) How many students' attendance rate was at or below 59 per cent:
 - (iii) (i) What is this number as a percentage of total student enrolment for each school?

Mr P. Papalia replied:

[See tabled paper no 2040.]

Student attendance data is reported in line with the *National Standards for Student Attendance Data Reporting 2015* which specify the following standards:

School data collection period is Semester 1 annually.

School enrolment is full-time students enrolled at any time during the collection period.

The numbers enrolled at any time during Semester 1 are not the same as the enrolment data collected at the Student Census in February and August each year.

Attendance risk categories are as reported by the Department of Education for Western Australian public schools only.

Percentages of students in attendance risk categories may be volatile for schools with small student populations.