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NSW TOPS THE NATION IN SPELLING

Minister for Education Adrian Piccoli has announced that preliminary NAPLAN results released today for students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 show NSW continues to achieve strong results, topping the nation in spelling at all Year levels and scoring in the top 3 for most other areas.

“The NSW Government places great importance on making sure our students receive a strong basis in the fundamental skills of literacy and numeracy and I am pleased to see our efforts are continuing to pay dividends,” Mr Piccoli said.

Released on the website of the Australian Curriculum Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA), highlights for NSW included:

- A top 2 ranking for percentages in the highest band for all Year levels with the exception of Year 3 Reading and Numeracy
- A top 3 ranking for mean scores for all Year levels and tests with the exception of Year 7 Writing and Numeracy and Year 9 Writing.

“NSW received outstanding results across all NAPLAN indicators and importantly we have maintained our strong position from 2012,” Mr Piccoli said.

“These results are testimony to the dedication of our teachers and their desire to ensure all students in NSW continue to receive a quality education grounded in a strong foundation of literacy and numeracy skills.

“The results also reveal that NSW had the highest participation rates for all Year levels.

“But we won’t be resting on our laurels – in those areas where we need to improve the NSW Government’s additional literacy and numeracy teachers will be a great boost.”

NSW schools will receive student results between 8-10 October and individual student reports for parents will follow.

To access the national results visit www.naplan.edu.au

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