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1 NAPLAN Student Proficiency Standards: Creating and using Custom Groups to maximise learning insights

1.1 Overview

This process will support teachers and leaders to gain additional insights into learning characteristics of students grouped by NAPLAN Student Proficiency Standards. This process incorporates three key steps:

- 1. Creating Custom Groups based on NAPLAN Student Proficiency Standards,
- 2. Navigation to Check-in Assessment reports which can provide further insights on the learning characteristics of selected groups of students,
- 3. Navigation to the Attendance & Engagement report which can provide further insights on the attendance characteristics of selected groups of students.

Direction to further information on using and analysing the data in each report is provided within each section.

1.2 Further information

For further information on NAPLAN see:

- NAPLAN Assessment Website (NSW Department of Education)
- NAPLAN 2023 (ISR) principal toolkit (staff only) (NSW Department of Education)
- NAPLAN Results and Reports (Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority).

1.3 Scout Support

If you require technical assistance or help interpreting reports, please contact the Scout Support team.

Log an online query via EDConnect (staff only) or email scout.support@det.nsw.edu.au.

2 NAPLAN (DoE) – Student Proficiency Standards report

2.1 Overview

The **Student Proficiency Standards** report provides schools with information on student performance against the new proficiency standards (Exceeding, Strong, Developing and Needs additional support).

For further information see the Student Proficiency Standards report explanation.

2.2 How to use this report

- 1. Begin by opening the NAPLAN (DoE) Student Proficiency Standards report.
- 2. Select the Assessment, Assessment Year, and Domain that you would like to focus on.
- 3. Export the data. Click on the ellipses (3 dots) in the top right corner of the table. From the drop down, select 'Export data'.

O NAPLAN (DoE)	Executive Director Group	ng Help Report Explanation	2	Student	Proficiency Sta	andards
Current NAPLAN reports (2 ^	Which school were they in?	Assessment	Assessment Year	Which Domain?	Class Group	Participation Type
NAPLAN Home		NAPLAN 5 V	2023 🗸	Numeracy 🗸	All \sim	All 🗸
School Results - Scores by ~	School Name	NAPLAN 5 Assessment		2023 Assessment Year	Number of 3	Students
Student Results - Scores V	School Name	Assessment Year Assessment Student	t Name	Domain	Participation Type Sc	i PR Share
Student Proficiency Stan	^	2023 NAPLAN 5		Numeracy Numeracy	Present	C® Add a comment
Prior NAPLAN scale (2022 a $^{\vee}$		2023 NAPLAN 5 2023 NAPLAN 5 2023 NAPLAN 5		Numeracy Numeracy Numeracy	Present Present Present	Export data Show as a t Export data
		2023 NAPLAN 5 2023 NAPLAN 5 2023 NAPLAN 5		Numeracy Numeracy Numeracy	Present Present Present	Spotlight Get insights
		2023 NAPLAN 5 2023 NAPLAN 5		Numeracy Numeracy	Present Present	 ↓ Sort descending ✓ 2↓ Sort ascending
		2023 NAPLAN 5 2023 NAPLAN 5 2023 NAPLAN 5		Numeracy Numeracy	Present Present	Sort by
		2023 NAPLAN 5 2023 NAPLAN 5 2023 NAPLAN 5		Numeracy Numeracy	Present Present	Developing
		2023 NAPLAN 5 2023 NAPLAN 5		Numeracy Numeracy	Present Present	Strong Needs additional support
		2023 NAPLAN 5 2023 NAPLAN 5		Numeracy Numeracy	Present	Strong
		2023 NAPLAN 5 2023 NAPLAN 5		Numeracy Numeracy	Present	Strong
		2023 NAPLAN 5 2023 NAPLAN 5		Numeracy Numeracy	Present Present	Needs additional support Developing
		2023 NAPLAN 5 2023 NAPLAN 5		Numeracy Numeracy	Present Present	Strong Strong

- Note: NAPLAN scores in 2023 and onwards are not equated to the previous NAPLAN scale (2008 2022) and are not comparable
- 4. Choose the option 'Summarised Data'.
- 5. Open the Excel spreadsheet from your Downloads folder.

3 Custom Groups report

3.1 Overview

The **Custom Groups** report allows you to create bespoke groups of students to view in a range of Scout reports.

Any changes made in the Custom Groups report will be reflected in relevant reports the following business day.

3.2 How to use this report

- 1. Open the Custom Groups (GOV) app in Scout.
- 2. Consider the data you want to focus on. In this example, our groups are created from 2023 Year 5 NAPLAN results.
 - i. To look at these groups in reports from this year we would create groups selecting the Enrolment Year '2023' and the Scholastic Year 'Year 5'.



ii. To look at these groups in reports from last year we would create groups selecting the Enrolment Year '2022' and the Scholastic Year 'Year 4'.

	Students
Enrolment Year	Students
2023	
2021	-
2020	
2019	-
≂ ⊠ … Scholastic Year	
Pre-School	-
Kindergarten	
Special	
Year 1	
Year 3	
Year 4	-
Year 5	
Year 6	
Vear 8	
Year 9	
Vear 10	
Vear 11	
Year 12	
Not Available	~

3. Click on the 'plus' sign in the Group box. This will allow you to create a group for each proficiency standard using the list of names from the downloaded Excel spreadsheet. If you are not familiar with creating Custom Groups, follow the instructions in the <u>quick reference guide (381 KB) (staff</u> only) or video to create your groups.



Tips:

- Clear student selections between groups.
- Remember to press 'save' once the students have been added to the group.

4 Using the groups in other reports

4.1 Overview

The following business day you will be able to access these groups in the following Scout reports.

4.2 Check-in Assessment reports

NAPLAN year groups (3, 5, 7 and 9) will not have Check-in Assessment results until students have completed the Semester 2 Check-in Assessment. These examples use groups made from the school's 2023 NAPLAN proficiency standards list, created in 'Year 4' '2022' in Custom Groups.

4.2.1 Check-in Assessment – Cohort Performance

The **Cohort Performance** report allows schools to analyse cohort performance in each item of the Check-in assessment by stage, syllabus outcomes, and learning progressions.

Having selected a relevant Check-in Assessment, select 'Custom Scout Group' from the Student Group Type drop down, and then select a group from the 'Student Group' drop down.

scout	<u>Training</u> ∠ <u>Help</u> ∠ <u>Repor</u>	r <u>t Explanation</u>				Cohor	t Performa	ance
STEP 1: Select a school, as	sessment (year, term, scholasti	ic year) and domain		STEP 2: Optionally, select a s	subset of students			
Executive Director Group	EAfS	Which year, term, and scholastic year?	Domain	Student Group Type	Enrolment Type		Aboriginality	
	All \checkmark	2022 - Term 4 - Year 4	Reading Numeracy	Custom Scout Group $~~\lor~~$	All	\vee	All	\sim
Network Name	School Name	2022 - Term 1 - Year 4		Student Group	Gender		EAL/D	
				2023 Yr 5 Numeracy Needs ad 🔨	All	\sim	All	\sim
				Ø Search				
-				 2023 Yr 5 Numeracy Develop 2023 Yr 5 Numeracy Needs a 				

The remaining report will adjust to reflect the information for the selected group. You can then view the results of the selected group and compare them to the whole student cohort.

For further information on how to use this report and analyse the data, see the <u>Cohort Performance</u> report explanation.

4.2.2 Check-in Assessment – Student Differentiation

The **Student Differentiation** report allows schools to analyse student groups by performance in reading and numeracy assessment scores by stage and syllabus outcomes.

Having selected a relevant Check-in Assessment, select 'Custom Scout Group' from the Student Group Type drop down, and then select a group from the 'Student Group' drop down.

scout	Training Help	<u>Report Explar</u>	lation 2		Student Differentiation
STEP 1: Select a school,	assessment (year, term, sch	nolastic year) a	and student group		"Note:: In this report the Scout Team has generated suggested student groups within the selected
Executive Director Group	EAfS		Which year, term, and scholastic year?	Student Group Type	cohort based on their test results. This is an attempt to assist teachers with their
	All	\sim	2022 - Term 4 - Year 4	Custom Scout Group \sim	differentiation. Please note that automated grouping at this scale will not always be accurate, so please interpret this with care. Results are only available where more than 90% of NSW
Network Name	School Name		2022 - Term 1 - Year 4	Student Group	students have completed the test.
				2023 Yr 5 Numeracy Dev 🔿	We would love your feedback on how useful this is. Please send us your feedback at
				,O Search	scout.feedback@det.nsw.edu.au
-				2023 Yr 5 Numeracy De	
% of Questions	s Correct - Group	ed by Cl	ass and Domain	2023 Yr 5 Numeracy Ne 2023 Yr 5 Numeracy Str	d'

The remaining report will adjust to reflect the information for the selected group. You can then view the results of the selected group and compare them to the whole student cohort.

For further information on how to use this report and analyse the data, see the <u>Student</u> <u>Differentiation report explanation</u>.

4.2.3 Check-in Assessment – School Results

The **School Results** report provides schools with a view of distribution of performance in quartiles for this year group in Reading and in Numeracy.

Having selected a relevant Check-in Assessment, select 'Custom Scout Group' from the Student Group Type drop down, and then select a group from the 'Student Group' drop down.

scout	Iraining Help Report Explanation	Scho	ol Results
		This report contains introduces a new Check-in scale. Direct comparison Check-in scale should not be made.	as between NAPLAN scale and
STEP 1: Select a school,	assessment (year, term and scholastic year) Which year, term, and scholastic year?	STEP 2: Optionally, select a subset of students	
Executive Director Group	EAfs	Student Group Type Enrolment Type	EAL/D
	All V 2022 - Jerm 4 - Year 4	Custom Scout Group $$	All
Network Name	School Name	Student Group Gender	Aboriginality
		2023 W 5 Numeracy Strong All	All
School Summary	Reading - Students Assessed:	2023 Yr 5 Numeracy Develop 2023 Yr 5 Numeracy Needs a hts Assessed:	(i)
% of Questions	60.4% 56.4% 52.6% 58.7% (i)	6 57.4% 63.5%	

Here you can make comparisons between the selected student group and the whole cohort.

For further information on how to use this report and analyse the data, see the <u>School Results report</u> <u>explanation</u>.

4.3 Attendance & Engagement reports

4.3.1 Attendance & Engagement – Cohort Attendance Summary

This report can be used to compare attendance levels of each cohort to the overall school and can be used to view the distribution of students at or above 90%, between 85% and 90%, or less than 85%. It can also be used to view the number of absences by each absence type at the cohort level.

This example uses groups made from the school's 2023 NAPLAN proficiency standards list, created in 'Year 5' '2023' in Custom Groups. To look at previous years' attendance additional groups would need to be created in the relevant year.

Step 2: Optionally, select a subset of students							
Scholastic Year							
Year 5	\sim						
Gender							
All	\sim						
Aboriginality							
All	\sim						
EAL/D							
All	\sim						
Enrolment Type							
All	\sim						
Student Group							
2023 Yr 5 Numeracy Develop.	$\overset{\sim}{\diamond}$						

For further information on how to use this report and analyse the data, see the <u>Cohort Attendance</u> <u>Summary report explanation</u>.

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