

School Disciplinary Absences

July 2009

Many strategies are used by our school to provide appropriate consequences for unacceptable student behaviour. The use of School Disciplinary Absences - suspensions, exclusions and cancellations of enrolment - are consequences used after consideration has been given to all other responses.

The Principal must be reasonably satisfied that grounds exist under the [Education \(General Provisions\) Act 2006](#) outlined in sections 284, 289 and 316 prior to making the decision to suspend, recommend exclusion or cancel the enrolment of a student.

For further information on suspensions, exclusions and cancellations of enrolment, refer to the policy [SMS-PR-021: Safe, Supportive and Disciplined School Environment](#).

The data are provided in terms of aggregate counts of incidents recorded by the school. The data do not represent the outcomes of any related appeal decisions.

| Student Counts | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
|----------------------|------|------|------|------|
| Full-time Enrolment* | 535 | 501 | 476 | 454 |

| Disciplinary Absences | Reporting Period | | | |
|---------------------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| | 2006 Full Year | 2007 Full Year | 2008 Full Year | 2009 Semester 1 |
| Short Suspensions - 1 to 5 days | 242 | 208 | 251 | <<School>> |
| Long Suspensions - 6 to 20 days | 47 | 38 | 40 | <<School>> |
| Exclusions | <5 | <5 | 5 | <<School>> |
| Cancellations of Enrolment | <5 | 0 | 0 | <<School>> |

* The enrolment figures are counts of full-time students. 2006 - 2008 enrolment data are sourced from August (Census) Corporate Data Downloads, and 2009 enrolment data are sourced from the February Corporate Data Download.