

Question on Notice

No. 819

Asked on 17 August 2004

MR SPRINGBORG asked the Minister for Education and Arts (Ms Bligh) -

QUESTION:

- (1) What is the number of students (a) excluded or (b) suspended from Queensland State Schools that have been identified as special needs students?
- (2) What is the number of students (a) excluded or (b) suspended from Queensland State Schools that have been identified as students with learning or behavioural difficulties?

ANSWER:

A School Disciplinary Absences Central Data Collection System (SDAC) was implemented from the start of Term 4 2002 to collect information on incidents of disciplinary absences. The system collects and reports information on the types of disciplinary absences (short suspension, long suspension, exclusion and cancellation of enrolment) and the reasons for the absences. This data is reported in the Annual Report.

SDAC does not report the numbers of students with special needs, learning or behavioural difficulties who are suspended or excluded from Queensland State Schools.