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Do Schools need to comply?

Yes, if your school receives funding under the Australian Education Act 2013.

Conditions of compliance:

A school receiving funding under the Australian Education Act 2013 must comply with all legislative requirements.

If you have to comply, what do you have to do?

- Be a body corporate.
- Be not for profit.
- Be financially viable.
- Meet the fit and proper person test.
- Have appropriate State registration.

Implement the following policy requirements:

- Enhancing principal and teacher performance and development through:
  - Implementation of the Australian Teacher Performance and Development Framework;
  - Providing access to ongoing professional development consistent with the Australian Charter for the Professional Learning of Teachers and School Leaders.
- Implementing the Australian Curriculum or a curriculum with comparable outcomes recognised by ACARA.
- Participation in the National Assessment Program.
- Develop, publish, implement and review a school improvement plan.
- Comply with relevant Commonwealth and State disability legislation.

Provide information relating to:

- School census.
- National programme to collect data on schools and school education.
- School improvement plan.
- Student reports to parents or carers responsible for students.
- Publish specified information on the school internet (school performance).

Meet ongoing funding requirements:

- Spend or commit to spend, for the purpose of providing school education any payable recurrent funding.
- Spend or commit to spend any payable funding for special circumstances funding.

Meet Financial Reporting Requirements:

- Provide a financial accountability certificate.
- Complete the Financial Questionnaire.
- Prepare audited financial statements.
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- Keep specified records for seven years.
- Provide access to these records to a person authorised by the Minister.

What are the consequences if you don’t comply?

You may be in breach of the *Australian Education Act 2013* (Cth).

Useful links:

[Guide to the Australian Education Act 2013](#)