

Collection of Family Background Characteristics – Frequently Asked Questions

The collection of family information arises from agreements made by all Australian Education Ministers to improve the quality and national consistency of public reporting on student achievement.

What are the requirements for the collection of information on student background characteristics?

- x All government and non-

What is the current situation with the collection and reporting of information on students' performance?

- x All school authorities must collect certain information from parents/guardians/carers and/or students to fulfil their functions and obligations under State, Territory and Australian Government legislation, including accountability for spending public money.
- x Governments must provide the community with information about school performance and the steps they are taking to improve student outcomes.