

**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.

<b>Student Counts</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2009</b>
Full-time Enrolment*	483	541	522	552

<b>Disciplinary Absences</b>	<b>Reporting Period</b>			
	<b>2006 Full Year</b>	<b>2007 Full Year</b>	<b>2008 Full Year</b>	<b>2009 Semester 1</b>
Short Suspensions - 1 to 5 days	62	109	64	29
Long Suspensions - 6 to 20 days	<5	7	8	<5
Exclusions	<5	0	0	<5
Cancellations of Enrolment	0	0	0	0

\* 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.