

**NAP Sample – Information and Communication Technology Literacy
online assessment
2021 Field Trial Privacy Notice**

Notice of collection under Australian Privacy Principle 5 (Privacy Act 1988 Cth)

This notice is to advise you that limited, anonymised information about your child will be collected for the sample National Assessment Program (NAP) for Information and Communication Technology Literacy 2021 (**NAP-ICTL**) field trial test.

The Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (**ACARA**) develops the NAP-ICTL test instrument which is trialled in a selection of schools in Queensland, Victoria and New South Wales. The purpose of the item trial is to evaluate *potential* questions (which ACARA calls ‘items’) for use in the NAP-ICTL 2021 main assessment event later in the year. The item trial is about testing the **questions**, not about testing your child, or their ability. Your child’s results are not reported.

ACARA protects the data it collects in accordance with the standards in the *Privacy Act 1988 (Cth)*. For further information, see ACARA’s privacy policy acara.edu.au/contact-us/privacy.

Online Test

The NAP-ICTL field trial test will be conducted online. Only limited data will be collected by ACARA’s contractors (see below).

Collection

Section 40 of the *Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority Act 2008 (Cth)* authorizes ACARA to collect personal information for purposes including producing national reports and assisting government to formulate education policies.

ACARA (through its contractors) will collect anonymised information about your child when your child completes the online test.

For those schools and students involved in the field trial, ACARA does **not** collect student names. ACARA (through its contractors) will collect the following categories of information for each sampled student (year 6 or year 10) for each sampled school (noting that for some categories there will be multiple data fields):

- Data collected from each sampled school: class name, for example, 6H, number of students enrolled in each class, school street address and school suburb;
- Other anonymized data collected by ACARA through our contractors (excluding data collected from students): anonymised student username, school name, contractor school identifier and year level; and
- Data collected from sampled students: gender (collected to test for question bias) and participation and performance information derived from student responses to multiple choice and free text questions.

The main consequence for a student if all or some of the personal information is not collected is that the student will not be able to sit this test.

Disclosure

ACARA will only disclose student personal information where consistent with our legal obligations, which includes obligations in any agreement that regulates the ways in which personal information can be used and disclosed by ACARA or its contractors.

In circumstances where ACARA has serious and reasonable concerns for the health, safety or well-being of a child based on their responses to the free text questions, ACARA may provide a copy of a child's responses to the relevant school in the interests of ensuring a child's welfare.

ACARA will not disclose personal information overseas.

Access and correction

ACARA is **not** able to match information it holds (through its contractors) with individual students.

If you wish to access or correct your child's personal information, contact your child's school in the first instance.

Complaints and enquiries

If you wish to make a complaint or enquire about ACARA's privacy practices, you can lodge a complaint or enquiry with ACARA directly. ACARA's [privacy policy \(acara.edu.au/contact-us/privacy\)](https://www.acara.edu.au/contact-us/privacy) provides information on how to make a complaint or enquiry and how ACARA deals with complaints and enquiries.