

LET us assume for a moment the capabilities of school students across the country are fairly similar, schools are reasonably resourced regardless of state or systemic affiliations and teacher training is adequate, even if the selection process has been decidedly dumbed down.

So why is Queensland still bottom of the heap?

Education Queensland and the Queensland Studies Authority of course.

EQ justifies its existence these days by creating monsters like C2C, and Year 7 goes to secondary school. The QSA, as Peter Ridd of James Cook University quite correctly asserts (C-M, Sep 14), has been implementing substandard curriculum for at least two decades and should be scrapped.

NAPLAN and the national curriculum have exposed both organisations as waste of time, money and space. Queensland students are suffering and their parents should be demanding a please explain.

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