



**TO:** All Principals, School and College Administration Staff

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**TOPIC:** Additional 2018 Student Residential Address Collection

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Dear Colleagues

Student residential addresses have been collected by the Government every few years for use in the calculation of school's socioeconomic status (SES) score.

As you may be aware, the National School Resourcing Board (NSRB) recently undertook an independent review of the socio-economic status (SES) score methodology used in the calculation of school funding. The Australian Government has accepted the NSRB's recommendations and will move to using a direct income measure to assess the capacity of a school community to contribute towards the recurrent costs of schooling. Subject to legislative changes, this will require an annual collection of student residential addresses and other relevant information.

In August this year to prepare for this requirement and to enable internal analysis on the impact of the review, QCEC requested a preliminary collection. We communicated this via circular 2018/214 and the data was collected by CEO on behalf of diocesan schools and colleges. This week, QCEC were given further instruction by the Australian Department of Education and Training (the Department) regarding the format of the 2018 student residential address collection. To enable the deployment of the new SES score methodology, this year's collection has been expanded to include parent and/or guardian full names and addresses. As a result, it is necessary to conduct another round of collection.

Further information can be found on the Department's website:

- [2018 Student Residential Address and Other Information Technical Specifications](#)
- [Notice of Student Residential Address Collection and Important Legislative Changes](#)
- [2018 Residential Address Collection FAQ](#)

CEO staff will collect student residential address data from TASS on behalf of your school or college however, before the collection commences, schools are required to send the [2018 Student Residential Address and Other Information collection notice](#) to the parents/guardians of their students advising them about the exercise.

Please distribute this notice as soon as you are able, but no later than Wednesday 17 October 2018 and confirm this by email to [dceoschoolsaccounting@rok.catholic.edu.au](mailto:dceoschoolsaccounting@rok.catholic.edu.au).



If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me, Leann Montanari or Leslie Hoyes.

Kind Regards

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