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THROUGH MY WORK AS A SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER: I find NAPLAN does not cater for students with Learning Disabilities so the NAPLAN tests are not an accurate test of their knowledge. Students with Special needs may be exempt so their knowledge is not recorded. Both these influence the One school school performance outcomes and so One school does not record an accurate performance for my school.

AS A PARENT THROUGH MY CHILD'S EDUCATION: My son attends the Qld School of Creative Industries and as part of his education is the IB Diploma. This IB Diploma and the school subjects are therefore not rated accurately on the One School performance recording of the schools.

OVERALL AS A GENERAL MEMBER OF THE COMMUNITY: I find One School does not have an accurate way to compare data to give an accurate comparison of schools. Also performance of schools depends on many things - student performance, student engagement, parent involvement, teacher involvement, environmental influences, etc to name a few which all impact on school outcomes all of which are not taken into account within the One school comparisons and provide inaccurate performance of schools. This all accumulates to negative impact on teachers, students and parents which in turn damages schools and their reputations. This will result in parents avoiding sending students to certain schools, teachers not wanting to teach at certain schools and students attending certain schools gaining a reputation or stigma from where they come from. I could go on and on but this will suffice.