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Praise for Northpine

ANDREW SCHNELL

NORTH-
PINE Christian
College received
encouraging news
from Andrew Laming, Federal
Member of Parliament
and Chair of the Australian
House of Representatives
Education, Employment
and Training Committee.

He wrote to congratulate
the college on the academic
performance of Northpine's
class of 2018.

Using analysis of high
school gain, which involves
comparing OP data with
baseline Myschool Year 9
NAPLAN scores from 2015,
MP Laming stated, "I ap-
preciate that even though no
single number captures the
school or student journey,
the gains achieved by last
year's cohort places North-
pine Christian College in the
top 5 per cent of the 370
Queensland high schools
that produced more than ten
OP graduates".

He went on to say: "The
methodology of measuring
gain over time between two
independent datasets is the
best that can be achieved
with publicly available data."

"Gain is a far more power-
ful metric than snapshots
because it tells us something
of the school journey."



Last year's Year 12 students at Northpine christian College were among the top 5 per cent of the 370 Queensland high schools that produced more than ten OP graduates.

"It removes the advantage
that wealthy schools have
because these institutions
are more likely to enrol
advantaged students to start
with."

The college is encouraged
by this information because,
according to Mr Laming,
"The shift to ATAR for the
classes of 2020 will lead to
these gain metrics applying
to the top two-thirds of stu-

dents, meaning schools
whose efforts target lower
performing students will be
more clearly recognised
than occurs currently."

This method of analysis is
a useful measure to compare
academic results more equi-
tably. These outstanding re-
sults reflect the efforts of
Northpine teachers and stu-
dents that are seldom re-
flected in public analysis.

The college believes this
gain can be attributed to a
student-focused learning cul-
ture supported by carefully
implemented programs such
as ASPM (Academic Success
Peer Mentoring), GLAD
(Growing Learning and Aca-
demic Development) and
HAS (High Achieving Stu-
dents) - designed to support
improved student learning
outcomes.

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