

Kindergarten transition statements

Information for parents and carers



What is a transition statement?

A transition statement describes your child's learning and development in kindergarten. It helps you understand your child's learning toward the end of kindergarten, and if shared with the school your child is enrolled to attend, can support the school's planning and preparation for your child starting Prep.

In November of the kindergarten year, the kindergarten teacher will create your child's transition statement and give you a copy. The transition statement includes information about:

- your child's strengths and capabilities in each of the five learning and development areas in the *Queensland kindergarten learning guideline* (QKLG)
- suggested strategies and information to support your child's transition to the Prep learning environment
- what you and your child think is important for the school to know.

Consent to use the secure online application

Kindergarten teachers use a secure online application provided by the Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority (QCAA) to create transition statements. Before creating your child's statement in the online application, kindergarten teachers will seek your written consent in *Transition statement consent form 1*. If you prefer not to have your child's transition statement created in the online application, your kindergarten teacher can prepare the statement using a QCAA Microsoft Word template instead.

Contributing to the statement

You can contribute to your child's transition statement in the Parent, carer and child perspectives section of the statement. You can share your suggestions with the kindergarten teacher about your child's strengths, what might help your child to settle into school and what else you would like the school to know.

Sharing the transition statement with the school

After you have read your child's transition statement, the kindergarten will ask for your consent to share it with the school your child is enrolled to attend.

You can provide this consent by completing *Transition statement consent form 2*, which allows the kindergarten to:

- share the transition statement directly with the school
- discuss transition statement information with the Prep teacher and/or school leaders involved in your child's transition to Prep.

If you prefer, you can choose to share the transition statement with the school yourself.

More information

To find out more about kindergarten transition statements, visit

www.qcaa.qld.edu.au/kindergarten/qklg/supporting-transitions-continuity-learning



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