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Highest ever number of students achieve their SACE

This year's Year 12 results show a record 13,558 students gained their SACE, an increase of 154 students on 2012.

The proportion of Year 12 students who achieved the SACE was also the highest ever, with 93.4 per cent of students completing the certificate, compared to 92.2 per cent in 2012.

SACE Board Chief Executive Dr Neil McGoran congratulated students on their achievement.

"These are extremely good results – another record year for SACE students – and they can feel justifiably proud of themselves," Dr McGoran said.

"Students and their teachers have worked hard all year to achieve these outstanding results – they can now enjoy a well-deserved break over the festive season.

SACE Board data also shows more students completing higher-level vocational qualifications with their SACE.

More than 1,000 students counted a Certificate III or higher qualification towards their SACE, with 5,558 students undertaking some Vocational Education and Training (VET), up 10 per cent on 2012.

The number of Aboriginal students completing Year 12 also reached a record high, climbing to 238 students, up from 180 in 2012.

"To see more students completing school with job-ready qualifications, as well as meeting the literacy and numeracy benchmarks in the SACE, is very encouraging," Dr McGoran said.

"It's pleasing to see so many more Aboriginal students completing their SACE, and moving into further studies and work."

Results will be available online from 8am on Thursday 19 December on the SACE website www.sace.sa.edu.au as well as being posted to students.

Students will receive their Tertiary Entrance Statement and supporting information from SATAC in a separate envelope.

Further information and support relating to SACE results is available on the SACE website, and in an information sheet included with results envelopes.

Specific queries can be answered via the Results Enquiry Line on (08) 8373 0599 or for country students 1800 652 230.

Snapshot of 2013 SACE results in SA

- 13,558 students achieved their SACE – compared to 13,404 last year (an increase of 154 students).
- The SACE completion rate was 93.4 per cent in 2013 – compared to 92.2 per cent in 2012.
- The number of Aboriginal students achieving their SACE was 238, up from 180 in 2012 (an increase of 58).
- The Aboriginal SACE completion rate was 92.6 per cent, compared to 84.5 per cent last year.
- 5,558 students completed their SACE with a Vocational Education and Training (VET) component, compared to 5,030 last year.
- Of the students to complete their SACE, 6,291 were male and 7,267 were female, compared to 6,106 boys and 7,298 girls last year.
- The male completion rate climbed to 91.1 per cent from 89.6 per cent in 2012.
- The proportion of students who gained an Australian Tertiary Admission Rank for entry into universities was 83.5 per cent.
- 828 students, 272 boys and 556 girls, achieved a total of 1117 subject merits.
- 29 students will be awarded a Governor of South Australia Commendation, for outstanding overall achievement, at the SACE Merit Ceremony on 11 February 2014.
- The percentage of students passing their Research Project increased to 96.9 per cent, up from 96.7 per cent in 2012.