Under the agreement for 2015
Mackay State High School will receive $415,935*

*Estimated on 2014 data. Actual funding will be determined after 2015 enrolment data is finalised.

This funding will be used to

- Improve NAPLAN Results:
  - Reading: NMS – 95% in 2015 (from 91.9%) U2B – 15% in 2015 (from 13.3%)
  - Writing: NMS – 85% in 2015, (from 83.1 %) U2B – 10% in 2015 (from 8.8%)
  - Spelling: U2B – 16% in 2015 (from 14%)
  - Numeracy: NMS – 100% (from 97%) U2B – 22% in 2015 (from 19.4%)
- EALD students improve by 2 bands in reading and numeracy from year 7 NAPLAN to year 9 NAPLAN
- Improve Whole School Attendance to 89% (from 85.2%)

Our strategy will be to

- Set up an Academic Excellence Academy (with students identified in 2015) to commence in 2016 under the leadership of a high performance teacher
- Employ a high performance teacher to work with the upper 2 bands
- 50 literacy and 50 numeracy aide hours a week to work moving students on Band 7s into the upper bands (60%) and improving those reaching the national minimum standard (40%)
- 25 teacher aide hours a week to work specifically with EALD students to improve literacy across KLAs in the junior school
- Introduction of whole school spelling and reading programs
- Use of short cycle data through Maths Online, Mighty Minds Reading and Accelerated Reader
- Implement Every Day Counts with School Attendance

Our school will improve student outcomes by

- Additional Staff – $320,155
- Programs, internal and external – $68,000
- Resources – $21,000

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