The release of the national summary report on NAPLAN testing undertaken across years 3, 5, 7 and 9 shows the Territory Labor Government has failed to deliver improved education outcomes for students, says Shadow Education Minister, Peter Chandler.

"National uniform testing has been with us for three years, and we are now able to see exactly in which direction Territory students are travelling," Mr Chandler said.

"Unfortunately for the community, that direction is backward.

"In no measured area across numeracy, literacy and reading has the proportion of students meeting the National standard actually improved in the past three years.

"More students reached benchmark competency in Grade 3 in 2009, than now - when they are in Grade 5.

"The same applies to students who were in Grade 5 and are now in Grade 7, and again those in Grade 7 two years ago, did better than this years' Grade 9.

"Labor's education programs are failing to deliver the results our children need, and to maintain and improve their standard of education over time."

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