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LUTHERAN SCHOOLS COLLECTIVE BARGAINING 2009



CHAPTER BRIEFING No. 13

Vote and Post Today Make Your Vote Count

Dear Colleagues

Lutheran employers have declined to match the rates of pay of teachers in Lutheran schools in Victoria, South Australia and the Northern Territory, thus condemning teachers in Queensland Lutheran schools to carry the unwanted tag of being the lowest paid teachers in Lutheran schools in Australia.

Ballot for protection action

Employees in Lutheran schools who were union members on 15 October 2009 should have received ballot material from the Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) last week.

Completed ballot must be returned by the first mail on Friday, 30 October 2009.

To be valid the ballot must have a return rate of at least 50% of the electorate (union members).

It is vital all members vote to express their opinion in this ballot.

For protected action to occur 50% plus 1 of those who vote must vote "Yes" to protected action.

If the ballot is endorsed, it will allow members who wish to take protected action in support of professional rates of pay to do so.

Your next steps

- **Find your ballot paper**
- **Vote and vote "Yes" for professional rates of pay**
- **Post your ballot paper in the prepaid envelope to the AEC today**

Your continued engagement with this process is appreciated.

Kind Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Chris Seymour'.

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