



18 August 2023

Dear Teachers and Principals

We are writing to update you on the progress of the negotiations for the new WA Catholic Schools Teachers Enterprise Agreement 2023 (**the Teachers Agreement**).

On 31 July 2023, the Independent Education Union of Australia Western Australian Branch (130N) (**IEUWA**) applied to the Fair Work Commission (**FWC**) pursuant to section 240(1) of the *Fair Work Act 2009 (Cth)* for bargaining orders in relation to its negotiations with Catholic Education Western Australia (**CEWA**) regarding the Teachers Agreement.

The parties attended a conciliation conference at the FWC on 17 August 2023.

As a result of the conference, CEWA and the IEUWA have agreed for the Commission to facilitate bargaining in a number of bargaining meetings in an attempt to resolve the outstanding issues with regards to the Teachers Agreement.

CEWA and the IEUWA have agreed to this process to endeavour to resolve the outstanding issues in a timely fashion. As such, there are currently four scheduled bargaining meetings with the Commissioner over the next five weeks, to occur as follows:

1. Friday, 25 August 2023 from 1:30pm onwards;
2. Monday, 4 September 2023 from 9:30am onwards;
3. Thursday, 14 September 2023 from 9:00am onwards; and
4. Monday, 18 September 2023 from 9:30am onwards.

The IEUWA has contacted its representatives and will notify the FWC of those attendances.

Please note that CEWA has authorisation to act on behalf of the nine other Catholic employers in WA who are parties to the Teachers Agreement.


For more information you can contact:

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Signatures of Parties to the Joint Statement


IEUWA

  
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Signature of Authorised Representative

Date 18-8-2023

CEWA

  
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Signature of Authorised Representative

Date 21/8/2023