

NewsExtra

CATHOLIC SYSTEMIC SCHOOLS | 1 AUGUST 2017

THERE IS NO AGREEMENT

Dear IEU Rep and Members

Members have advised the IEU that Catholic dioceses in NSW and the ACT are asserting that they “have finalised your new multi-enterprise agreement (the Agreement) covering Teachers and General Employees in Catholic systemic schools”. Further, the employers intend to put the Agreement to vote in the second last week of Term 3.

NO agreement has been reached by the IEU and Catholic employers

Catholic employers have NOT provided a comprehensive finalised Agreement to the Union nor have they recently met with us to discuss the document.

The issue of arbitration has NOT been resolved. Other issues are also in dispute.

In many dioceses, including Sydney, Parramatta, Bathurst, Canberra and Goulburn and others, there are also significant issues still outstanding in work practice agreements. Our capacity to resolve these matters satisfactorily will be jeopardised if the Agreement is put to a vote at this stage.

If these disputed matters are not resolved prior to the vote on the proposed Agreement, we would have no choice but to strongly advocate a NO vote.

Response to IEU Motion

The Union has had an overwhelming response to the motion to commence the process for protected action ballots. Nearly 500 schools across NSW and the ACT have already supported the motion and responses continue to pour in.

The Union will send further information next week regarding the ballot process.

The Union congratulates members on your strong resolve to ensure that all your rights are protected including the right to enforce enterprise agreement entitlements and the provisions of work practices agreements by arbitration.



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