

THE PREMIER AND TAFE MINISTER NEED TO KNOW THAT YOU DESERVE DECENT PAY RISES AND CONDITIONS

CONTACT PREMIER JACINTA ALLAN AND TAFE MINISTER GAYLE TIERNEY

This action is designed to ensure that the Premier and the Minister know that TAFE teachers are not adequately respected and valued, that you and your colleagues need decent pay rises and conditions, and that they need to fix the problems and resolve the dispute.

Key points to make to the Premier and the Minister:

| Issues | Demands | Response to possible objections |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It's been two years since negotiations started. • It's been more than 18 months since your last pay rise. • Experienced TAFE teachers are paid \$8,000 less than similarly experienced school teachers. • TAFE teachers have excessive and unsustainable workloads (give an example). • TAFE staff have an out-of-date classification structure. • Due to growing workloads, TAFE teachers continue to leave teaching and return to industry for better pay, less stress, and workloads that don't require them to take work home. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deliver a pay increase of more than 3% per year. • A 7% increase in a year would enable TAFE teacher salaries to catch up with school teachers. • Address excessive workloads. • Count in-class assessment as teaching time. • Recognise TAFE teachers' education qualifications. • Fix classifications. | <p>"This is a problem for TAFE to fix as the employer, not the government."</p> <p>A: As the funder of TAFE, the state government must step up and take responsibility to fund decent pay rises and conditions.</p> <p>"Government has invested record amounts in TAFE."</p> <p>A: Courses are not funded to the level it takes to deliver them, which results in shaved hours, limited materials, and so on. Plus, vocational education in Victoria has been the lowest funded in the nation for the past ten years.</p> <p>"Worker shortages are not unique to TAFE."</p> <p>A: Without TAFE teachers, other industry skill shortages cannot be addressed.</p> |

Email or phone the Premier or the Minister or both! Their contact details are over the page. If you email, please 'cc' your local AEU Rep and the AEU centrally via reply@aeuvic.asn.au

If you phone, it is likely you will speak to an electorate office staff member – explain that you want the issues and demands to be passed on to the Premier or Minister with the request for action.



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Together we need to send a strong message to the State Labor Government that TAFE teachers are undervalued and not respected.

You and your colleagues need decent pay rises and conditions, and the government needs to step up and fix the problems and resolve the dispute.

When AEU members stopped work in June, hundreds of emails were sent and calls made to state Labor Members of Parliament, this time we need to send a strong message to the Premier and the TAFE Minister.

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