

Term 3, 2018



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**QTU Organiser -
Logan Redlands**

Fair Funding Now – Campaign Update

Recent workplace ballots across the state have taken place and demonstrated overwhelming support for the goals of the FFN campaign (see details of the campaign and results [here](#)). A big thank you to all the QTU workplace reps in the Logan Redlands region for giving their time to ensure rank and file democracy for QTU members.

If you haven't done so already, please make sure you show your support and keep updated on the campaign by signing at: <http://www.fairfundingnow.org.au/>. If you'd like to get involved in the local activities we will be undertaking in the lead up to the Federal Election, please contact me.

Enterprise Bargaining – Preparing for EB9

From July 1 this year, we enter the final year of the three-year term of our last Teachers' Agreement. This sees the final pay rise of EB8 implemented and more pay rises in excess of state government wages policy due to QTU negotiation. It also sees a teaching position crack \$100,000 for the first time, with Experienced Senior Teachers now on \$101,000. You can see new salaries on our [website](#).

Over the coming semester, we will be providing opportunities for members to feed into our planning for the next EB. Keep any eye of for EB meetings and other opportunities to have your say on what you would like addressed in our next agreement along with items like the Promotional Positions Classification Review.

Spread of full time Salary Scales as of 1 July 2018

First year teacher salary
\$70,081



Experienced Senior Teacher Salary
\$101,000

QTU NOTICEBOARD COMPETITION!

Do you have a designated area in your school for QTU News and information?
Let's get the creative juices flowing and do a revamp of the QTU noticeboards!

Schools are required to provide a space for union news in a common area. There will be great prizes for the best Noticeboards in the area. Special prize for the most inventive Fair Funding Now! Section.

The winners will be showcased in the next newsletter. Please send a photo of your school's QTU notice board along with the name of your school and the members involved in creating the masterpieces. Send photos to springwood@qtu.asn.au.



Entries close on Friday 7th September.

Principal Union Representatives

There are a number of Principal Union Representatives in each QTU region who can be a contact point and source of advice and information for other principals and deputy principals in their area. The Principal Union Representatives are also valuable in providing a school leader perspective on education and industrial issues for the QTU. For your information, the following are Principal Union Representatives in this region:

PRINCIPAL UNION REPS

Andrew Beattie	Principal Browns Plains SS
Kathleen Janecek	Principal Birkdale South SS
Julie-Ann McCullough	Principal Springwood SHS
Matt O'Hanlon	Principal Beenleigh SHS
Andrew Peach	Executive Principal Marsden SHS
Andrew Thompson	Principal Redland District Special School
Belinda Tregear	Principal Loganlea SHS
Brent Woollett	Deputy Principal Crestmead SS
Simon Wright	Deputy Principal Victoria Point SHS

It is a long held belief of the Queensland Teachers' Union (QTU) that the interests of all in the teaching profession, and the students in state schools, are best served by a union covering principals, other promotional positions and classroom teachers. The interests of all in providing the best possible education for students and in secure, healthy, well-paid, professional employment are overwhelmingly common. Where there is tension between interests, those tensions are best discussed and resolved in the forums of a union that recognises and balances sometimes divergent interests of different groups of members.

The QTU is the only organisation that is recognised and authorised to represent the industrial interests of teachers, including principals and others in promotional positions, and has a proud history of doing so. Only the QTU as an organisation is entirely independent of government in representing the interests of its members.

New Springwood Office Opening for Metropolitan South and Logan Redlands Organisers

After a few months of setting up our new work space early in 2018, the QTU Springwood Office was officially opened on 26 May by the local state member of parliament, The Honourable Mick de Brenni – Member for Springwood. The new Springwood office includes a reception area, two office spaces for the organisers of the Logan Redlands and Metropolitan South regions, an interview/small meeting room, as well as a larger training area that can accommodate roughly 30 and features interactive display technology that can be used during training. The office training space will be available for use by local QTU members as well as other unions in the area.

The Springwood office opening was a fantastic opportunity to celebrate all the work that QTU members and activists continue to do in both the Logan Redlands and Metropolitan South regions as well as a very tangible symbol of the ongoing growth of QTU membership across the state that has made possible the investment in a new facility for the benefit of local QTU members.



Training & Branch Meeting Dates for Term 3

The Union offers a range of courses and seminars focusing on supporting its members by developing skills in a variety of areas through QTEC and organiser run training. For QTEC training dates for Semester 2 click [here](#). Further Organiser led training will be communicated via email and [here](#).

Event	Date	Time	Location
<i>Assertiveness Training</i>	29 August 2018	3.45pm– 5.30pm	Pimpama Primary College, Pimpama
<i>Union Reps Training (Advanced)</i>	Wednesday 22 August 2018	9.30am – 3.00pm	QTU Springwood Office
<i>LCC Session Intro and Q&A</i>	Tuesday 28 August 2018	4.00pm – 5.30pm	QTU Springwood Office
<i>New Educator Event- What's the Union doing...?</i>	Friday 31 August 2018	3.45pm – 5.00pm	To be advised
<i>Culturally Diverse Backgrounds Seminar</i>	Friday 7 September 2018	12.30pm- 3.30pm	QTU Springwood Office
<i>Planning on having a Baby Information session</i>	Wednesday 12 September 2018	4.00pm – 5.00pm	QTU Springwood Office
<i>Leave Information Session</i>	Wednesday 10 October 2018	4.00pm – 5.00pm	QTU Springwood Office
<i>Union Reps Recruitment Training</i>	Wednesday 17 October 2018	9.30am – 3.00pm	QTU Springwood Office
<i>Union Reps Training- Level 3</i>	Friday 19 October 2018	9.30am – 3.00pm	QTU Springwood Office

Branch meeting dates can be accessed on the QTU website [here](#).

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