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Review consultation - new sessions added

Public consultation sessions of our commissioned review into public education are underway. Several new sessions have been added, including in north and south metro areas, as well as a virtual session.

Over the next two weeks, members of the review panel will be in Albany, Geraldton, Morely and Broome. If you're in the areas, please join us:

Albany | Tuesday 14 March, 4.30-6pm | Register here
Morley | Thursday 23 March, 4-5.30pm | Register here
Geraldton | Thursday 23 March, 4.30-6pm | Register here
Broome | Friday 24 March, 4.30-6pm | Register here

Panel members are travelling across WA to hear from educators, parents and community leaders. Find the full list of consultation sessions here.

Register today and have your say >>

Become a State Council delegate

Information about the SSTUWA State Council/AEU WA Branch Council insufficient nominations election (E2022/141) is available here.

Nominations close: Noon, 17 March 2023.

Will school teacher shortage plan work?

We have heard reports of a crisis in Australian schools, thanks to a shortage of teachers around the country. Federal education department modelling shows there will be a high school teacher shortfall of about 4,000 by 2025.

Last August, Education Minister Jason Clare and his state and territory colleagues met and agreed this was a huge problem. Their big, set-piece policy response was a new plan for the “national teacher workforce”.

After all the talk and consultation – will it work? To use the language of a school report, the teacher shortage plan is a good effort and a positive start. But there are areas that need improvement.

Read the full Western Teacher article by Paul Kidson here >>

Harmony Week

Harmony Week in WA starts next Wednesday and runs from 15-21 March.

Harmony Week encourages everyone to experience, explore and appreciate WA's wealth of cultural, religious, linguisticand ethnic diversity.

Find more information, including a school education kit, here.

Education and training

Online professional learning events for the holiday schedule are now open for registration. Join us for a range of high-quality online learning sessions.

Work with educators from across Australia and join into the live events via Zoom. Choose from over seven events including:

Successful Leadership for Early Career Teachers
Live, three hours - Thursday 13 April

Introduction to Education Leadership
Live, three hours - Tuesday 18 April

Differentiation for Students with a Learning Disability
Live, five hours - Thursday 20 April

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