

# **DECISION**

Fair Work Act 2009 s.185—Enterprise agreement

## **Christ Church Grammar School**

(AG2021/8369)

## CHRIST CHURCH GRAMMAR SCHOOL AGREEMENT 2021 - 2024

Educational services

#### COMMISSIONER CIRKOVIC

MELBOURNE, 24 NOVEMBER 2021

Application for approval of the Christ Church Grammar School Agreement 2021 - 2024

- [1] Christ Church Grammar School (the Applicant) has made an application for approval of an enterprise agreement known as the *Christ Church Grammar School Agreement 2021 2024* the Agreement) pursuant to s.185 of the *Fair Work Act 2009* (the Act). The agreement is a single enterprise agreement.
- [2] The matter was allocated to my Chambers on 22 November 2021.
- [3] On 22 November 2021, my Chambers sent correspondence to the parties seeking to address concerns with certain aspects of the Agreement and invited the parties to address these matters. The concerns were as follows:
  - Chambers sought lodgement of agreement pre-approval materials, specifically the NERR provision email, voting notification details provided to employees and the provision of the Agreement to ensure that the requirements in s.180 of the Act have been met.
  - Clause 13.4 regarding the withholding of monies at termination and clauses 18.2 & 27.3.2 may be inconsistent with the National Employment Standards however the NES precedence term at clause 7 of the Agreement is deemed to resolve these NES concerns.
- [4] The Independent Education Union of Australia, being a bargaining representative for the Agreement, has given notice under s.183 of the Act that it wants the Agreement to cover it. In accordance with s.201(2) of the Act I note that the Agreement covers this organisation.
- [5] I am satisfied that each of the requirements of ss.186, 187 and 188 of the Act as are relevant to this application for approval have been met.

[6] The Agreement is approved and, in accordance with s.54 of the Act, will operate from 7 days after the date of approval of the Agreement. The nominal expiry date is 30 April 2024.



# **COMMISSIONER**

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# CHRIST CHURCH GRAMMAR SCHOOL

# **AGREEMENT**

2021 - 2024

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# Part 1—Application and Operation

## 1. Title

This Agreement is to be known as the Christ Church Grammar School Agreement 2021 – 2024 (Agreement) and is a single enterprise agreement made pursuant to s.172(2) of the *Fair Work Act 2009* (Cth) (the Act).

# 2. Commencement and period of operation

- 2.1 Where the Agreement passes the Better Off Overall Test, the Agreement will come into operation seven days after being approved by the Fair Work Commission (FWC), in accordance with s.54 of the Act.
- 2.2 The nominal expiry date of the Agreement is 30 April 2024.

# 3. Definitions and interpretation

Act	means the Fair Work Act 2009 (Cth) or its successor	
Classroom support services	means a General Staff Employee whose principal duties are to provide support to Teachers and students in a primary or secondary classroom or to individual students or groups of students	
Curriculum/resources services	means a General Staff Employee whose principal duties are to support the operation of curriculum-related services, such as those provided by a library, laboratory or a technology centre	
Early Childhood Teacher	means a person who has completed a degree in early childhood education that requires four years of full-time study at an Australian university (or equivalent) and who holds Full or Provisional Registration granted by the Victorian Institute of Teaching pursuant to Division 3A of Part 2.6 of the <i>Education and Training Reform Act 2006</i> (Vic) (or its successor) and is employed to teach an educational program. This definition includes a qualified Teacher Librarian but does not include a Principal or a Deputy Principal by whatever name called	
Employee	means a person covered by this Agreement	
Employer	means Christ Church Grammar School 55 063 453 350	
FWC	means the Fair Work Commission or its successor	

	administration and information management	
School operational services	means a General Staff Employee whose principal duties are to support the other services of a school, including but not limited to:  i. construction, plumbing, carpentry, painting and other trades; ii. cleaning, maintenance, school facility management; iii. security, caretaking; iv. gardening, turf management, farming; v. retailing—canteens, uniform shops, book shops; vi. cooking/catering, housekeeping, laundry; and vii. bus driving and vehicle maintenance.	
School Teacher	means a person who holds Full or Provisional Registration or Permission to Teach granted by the Victorian Institute of Teaching pursuant to Division 3 of Part 2.6 of Chapter 2 of the <i>Education and Training Reform Act 2006</i> (Vic) (or its successor) and is employed to teach an educational program. This definition includes a qualified Teacher Librarian but does not include a person employed as a Principal or a Deputy Principal, by whatever name called	
School year	means the period of 12 months commencing from the day the Employees are required to attend the school for the new educational year, as determined by the school, and includes Term weeks and Non-term weeks	
Teacher	means a School Teacher and an Early Childhood Teacher, unless separately specified	
Term weeks	means the weeks, or part thereof, in the School year that students are required to attend school and designated student free days as set out in the school calendar of the School	
Victorian Institute of Teaching	means the statutory authority for the registration of Teachers established pursuant to the <i>Education and Training Reform Act 2006</i> (Vic) or its successor	
Wellbeing services	means a General Staff Employee whose principal duties are to support the health and wellbeing of students, and Employees, where appropriate. This may include home/school liaison, counsellors and therapists	
WIRC Act	means the Workplace Injury Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2013 (Vic) or its successor	

General Staff Employee	means an Employee other than a Teacher who is covered by this Agreement	
Immediate family	<ul> <li>means</li> <li>a spouse (including a former spouse), de facto partner (including a former de facto partner), child, parent, grandparent, grandchild or sibling of the Employee, or</li> <li>a child, parent, grandparent, grandchild or sibling of a spouse or de facto partner of the Employee,</li> <li>where:</li> <li>a de facto partner of an Employee means a person who, although not legally married to the Employee, lives with the Employee in a relationship as a couple on a genuine domestic basis (whether the Employee and the person are of the same sex or different sexes)</li> <li>a child means an adopted child, a step child or an exnuptial child of the Employee or of the Employee's spouse or de facto partner</li> </ul>	
LSL Act	means the Long Service Leave Act 2018 (Vic) or its successor(s)	
Medical Practitioner	means a person who is qualified to practise medicine in Australia and who is registered with the Medical Board of Australia	
NES	means the National Employment Standards as contained in Part 2-2 of the Act	
Non-term weeks	means weeks, or part thereof, in the School year other than term weeks and includes periods designated as school holidays for students	
Preschool/childcare services	means a General Staff Employee whose principal duties are to work with children in a preschool, early learning centre or kindergarten operated by a school for preprimary aged children, a childcare centre or an outside school hours care program (other than a qualified preschool/early childhood Teacher)	
Head	means the Head/Principal of Christ Church Grammar School or his or her nominee	
School administration services	means a General Staff Employee whose principal duties are in the functional areas of a school's business operations, including but not limited to clerical, administration, finance, marketing, fundraising, public relations, information technology, human resources	

## 4. Coverage

- **4.1** This Agreement covers:
  - (a) the Employer;
  - **(b)** Teachers; and;
  - (c) General Staff Employees.
- **4.2** This Agreement does not cover:
  - (a) a Principal;
  - (b) a Deputy Principal by whatever name called
  - (c) a Bursar or Business Manager, however named being the most senior administrative Employee employed with the delegated authority to act for the Employer;
  - (d) employees engaged as instructional services employees and nursing services employees under the *Educational Services (General Staff) Award 2020*;
  - (e) any General Staff Employee, who earns more than the high income threshold as defined by s.333 of the Act as amended pursuant to the *Fair Work Regulations* 2009 (Cth) from time to time;
  - (f) Apprentices;
  - (g) Trainees; and
  - (h) Employees on a supported wage system.

# 5. Relationship to Awards

This Agreement operates to the complete exclusion of all Awards which would otherwise apply to Employees covered by this Agreement including but not limited to the *Educational Services* (Schools) General Staff Award 2020 and the *Educational Services* (Teachers) Award 2020.

### 6. No extra claims

The Employer and Employees agree that the salary increase and other improvements in conditions of employment provided for by this Agreement are in settlement of all existing claims made by the Employer and the Employees, and that no further claims will be made prior to the nominal expiry date as set out in cl.2.2 hereof.

# 7. The National Employment Standards

7.1 The National Employment Standards (NES) as contained in Part 2-2 of the Act are the minimum entitlements to which an Employee covered by this Agreement is entitled. This Agreement may provide ancillary or supplementary terms in respect of the NES.

7.2 This Agreement provides enterprise specific detail where it deals with a matter provided for in the NES.

## 8. Agreement flexibility

- 8.1 An Employer and Employee covered by this Agreement may agree to make an individual flexibility arrangement to vary the effect of terms of the Agreement if:
  - (a) the Agreement deals with one or more of the following matters:
    - (i) arrangements about when work is performed;
    - (ii) overtime rates;
    - (iii) penalty rates;
    - (iv) allowances;
    - (v) leave loading; and
  - (b) the arrangement meets the genuine needs of the Employer and Employee in relation to one or more of the matters mentioned in paragraph (a);
  - (c) the arrangement is genuinely agreed to by the Employer and Employee. An agreement under this clause can only be entered into after the individual Employee has commenced employment with the Employer.
- 8.2 The Employer must ensure that the terms of the individual flexibility arrangement:
  - (a) are about permitted matters under section 172 of the Act; and
  - (b) are not unlawful terms under section 194 of the Act; and
  - (c) result in the Employee being better off overall at the time the agreement is made than the Employee would be if no arrangement was made.
- **8.3** The Employer must ensure that the individual flexibility arrangement:
  - (a) is in writing; and
  - (b) includes the name of the Employer and Employee; and
  - (c) is signed by the Employer and Employee and if the Employee is under 18 years of age, signed by a parent or guardian of the Employee; and
  - (d) includes details of:
    - (i) the terms of the Agreement that will be varied by the arrangement; and
    - (ii) how the arrangement will vary the effect of the terms; and
    - (iii) how the Employee will be better off overall in relation to the terms and conditions of his or her employment as a result of the arrangement; and
    - (iv) states the day on which the arrangement commences.

- **8.4** The Employer must give the Employee a copy of the individual flexibility arrangement within 14 days after it is agreed to.
- 8.5 The Employer or Employee may terminate the individual flexibility arrangement:
  - (a) by giving no more than 28 days' written notice to the other party to the arrangement; or
  - **(b)** if the Employer and Employee agree in writing at any time.

# Part 2—Consultation and Dispute Resolution

## 9. Consultation

- **9.1** This clause applies if the Employer:
  - (a) has made a definite decision to introduce a major change to production, program, organisation, structure, or technology in relation to its enterprise that is likely to have a significant effect on Employees; or
  - **(b)** proposes to introduce a change to the regular roster or ordinary hours of work of Employees.

In this clause: **relevant Employees** means the Employees who may be affected by a change referred to in cl.9.1(a) or (b).

## Consultation regarding major workplace change

- **9.2** For a major change referred to in cl.9.1(a):
  - (a) the Employer must notify the relevant Employees of the decision to introduce the major change; and
  - **(b)** cll.9.3 to 9.9 apply.
- **9.3** The relevant Employees may appoint a representative for the purposes of the procedures in this clause.
- **9.4** If:
  - (a) a relevant Employee appoints, or relevant Employees appoint, a representative for the purposes of consultation, and
  - **(b)** the Employee or Employees advise the Employer of the identity of the representative,

the Employer must recognise the representative.

- **9.5** As soon as practicable after making its decision, the Employer must:
  - (a) discuss with the relevant Employees:
    - (i) the introduction of the change; and
    - (ii) the effect the change is likely to have on the Employees; and

- (iii) measures the Employer is taking to avert or mitigate the adverse effect of the change on the Employees; and
- (b) for the purposes of the discussion provide, in writing, to the relevant Employees:
  - (i) all relevant information about the change including the nature of the change proposed; and
  - (ii) information about the expected effects of the change on the Employees; and
  - (iii) any other matters likely to affect the Employees.
- **9.6** However, the Employer is not required to disclose confidential or commercially sensitive information to the relevant Employees.
- 9.7 The Employer must give prompt and genuine consideration to matters raised about the major change by the relevant Employees.
- 9.8 If a clause in this Agreement provides for a major change to production, program, organisation, structure or technology in relation to the enterprise of the Employer, the requirements set out in cl.9.2(a) and cll.9.3 and 9.5 are taken not to apply.
- 9.9 In this clause, a major change is **likely to have a significant effect on Employees** if it results in:
  - (a) the termination of the employment of Employees; or
  - (b) major change to the composition, operation or size of the Employer's workforce or to the skills required of Employees; or
  - (c) the elimination or diminution of job opportunities (including opportunities for promotion or tenure); or
  - (d) the alteration of hours of work; or
  - (e) the need to retrain Employees; or
  - (f) the need to relocate Employees to another workplace; or
  - (g) the restructuring of jobs.

## Consultation about changes to regular roster or hours of work

- **9.10** For a change referred to in cl.9.1(b):
  - (a) the Employer must notify the relevant Employees of the proposed change; and
  - **(b)** cll.9.11 to 9.15 apply.
- **9.11** The relevant Employees may appoint a representative for the purposes of the procedures in this clause.
- **9.12** If:

- (a) a relevant Employee appoints, or relevant Employees appoint, a representative for the purposes of consultation, and
- (b) the Employee or Employees advise the Employer of the identity of the representative,

the Employer must recognise the representative.

## **9.13** The Employer must:

- (a) discuss with the relevant Employees the introduction of the change; and
- (b) for the purposes of the discussion, provide to the relevant Employees:
  - (i) information about the proposed change (for example, information about the nature of the change to the Employee's regular roster or ordinary hours of work and when that change is proposed to commence); and
  - (ii) information about what the Employer reasonably believes will be the effects of the change on the Employees; and
  - (iii) information about any other matters that the Employer reasonably believes are likely to affect the Employees; and
- (c) invite the relevant Employees to give their views about the impact of the change (including any impact in relation to their family or caring responsibilities).
- **9.14** However, the Employer is not required to disclose confidential or commercially sensitive information to the relevant Employees.
- **9.15** The Employer must give genuine consideration to matters raised about the change by the relevant Employees.
- **9.16** For the purposes of cll.9.11 to 9.15, the Employer's educational timetable in respect of academic classes and student activities, which:
  - (a) may operate on a term, semester of a School year basis, and
  - (b) ordinarily changes between one period of operation and the next, and
  - (c) may change during the period of operation,

is not a regular roster.

- **9.17** However, where a change to the Employer's educational timetable directly results in a change:
  - (a) to the number of ordinary hours of work of an Employee, or
  - (b) to the spread of hours over which the Employee's ordinary hours are required to be worked, or
  - (c) to the days over which the Employee is required to work,

cll.9.11 to 9.15 will apply.

## 10. Dispute resolution

- **10.1** If a dispute relates to:
  - (a) a matter arising under the Agreement, or
  - (b) the NES.

this clause sets out procedures to settle the dispute.

However, a dispute cannot be referred to the FWC if the dispute is in relation to a contravention (or alleged contravention) of subsections 65(5) of the Act.

Note: Subsections 65(5) state that an employer may refuse a request for flexible working arrangements only on reasonable business grounds.

- 10.3 An Employee who is a party to the dispute may appoint a representative for the purposes of the procedures in this clause.
- In the first instance, the parties to the dispute must try to resolve the dispute at the workplace level, by discussions between the Employee or Employees and relevant supervisors and/or management.
- 10.5 If discussions at the workplace level do not resolve the dispute, a party to the dispute may refer the matter to the FWC.
- **10.6** The FWC may deal with the dispute in two stages:
  - (a) the FWC will first attempt to resolve the dispute using one or more of the following methods: mediation, conciliation, expressing an opinion and making a recommendation; and
  - (b) if the FWC is unable to resolve the dispute at the first stage, the FWC may then:
    - (i) in relation to the NES, arbitrate the dispute, or
    - (ii) in relation to all other matters in the Agreement, arbitrate the dispute only with the consent of both parties, and

make a determination that is binding on the parties.

Note: If the FWC arbitrates the dispute, it may also use the powers that are available to it under the Act. A decision that the FWC makes when arbitrating a dispute is a decision for the purpose of Division 3 of Part 5.1 of the Act. Therefore, an appeal may be made against the decision.

- 10.7 While the parties are trying to resolve the dispute using the procedures in this clause:
  - (a) an Employee must continue to perform his or her work as he or she would normally unless he or she has a reasonable concern about an imminent risk to his or her health or safety; and
  - (b) an Employee must comply with a direction given by the Employer to perform other available work at the same workplace, or at another workplace, unless:
    - (i) the work is not safe; or

- (ii) the *Occupational Health and Safety Act 2004* (Vic) would not permit the work to be performed; or
- (iii) the work is not appropriate for the Employee to perform; or
- (iv) there are other reasonable grounds for the Employee to refuse to comply with the direction.
- 10.8 The parties to the dispute agree to be bound by a decision made by the FWC in accordance with this clause.

# Part 3—Conditions for all Employees

## 11. Remuneration packaging

- 11.1 Upon receiving a written election for a remuneration packaging arrangement from the Employee and provided there is no additional cost to the Employer, the Employer is prepared to offer the Employee the opportunity to receive part of the Employee's remuneration in the form of non-cash benefits in line with legislation and Australian Taxation Office rulings until otherwise advised.
- Any arrangement between the Employer and the Employee in relation to remuneration packaging will be entered into by way of a subsidiary written agreement varying the Employee's conditions of employment.

## 12. Minimum employment period

- An Employee's employment is contingent upon the satisfactory completion of a six-month minimum employment period.
- 12.2 If the Employer is to terminate the employment of an Employee during the sixmonth minimum employment period, the Employer does not need to comply with any due process, performance or conduct management policies or procedures in place from time to time or cl.27 Performance and conduct management.

### 13. Annual leave

- Annual leave is as provided for in the NES except where this Agreement provides ancillary or supplementary terms.
- 13.2 Clauses 39 and 40 provides further details on conditions related to annual leave entitlements for Teachers. Clause 51 provides further detail on annual leave entitlements for General Staff Employees.

### 13.3 Timing of annual leave

(a) A Teacher must take annual leave during Non-term weeks. Leave must generally be taken in the four-week period immediately following the final term week of the current School year, unless otherwise agreed with the Employer.

- **(b)** The Employer may require a General Staff Employee to take annual leave during Non-term weeks.
- (c) The Employer may designate some of the Non-term weeks as a shutdown period in which the operations of the School may be closed or operate at minimum staffing levels. General Staff Employees are required to take annual leave during shutdown periods observed by the School.

## 13.4 Crediting of annual leave

The Employer may allow a General Staff Employee to take annual leave before the leave has accrued. Where paid leave has been granted in excess of the accrued entitlement, and the General Staff Employee subsequently leaves, the Employer is entitled to deduct the amount of leave in advance still owing from any remuneration payable to the General Staff Employee upon termination of employment.

### 14. Personal/carer's leave

- **14.1** Personal/carer's leave is as provided for in the NES except where this Agreement provides ancillary or supplementary terms.
- An Employee other than a casual Employee is entitled to a paid personal/carer's leave entitlement, which includes both sick and carer's leave.
- An Employee is entitled to 15 days personal/carer's leave per year of service. A part-time Employee is entitled to paid personal/carer's leave on a pro rata basis based on their ordinary hours of work.
- Where a full-time Employee requires personal/carer's leave in excess of the Employee's accrued entitlement, the Employee is entitled to be paid personal/carer's leave in advance of accrual as follows:
  - (a) six (6) days during the first term of employment, and a further three (3) days during each of the next three terms, if in the first year of employment with the Employer, or
  - (b) up to the annual entitlement of 15 days, if in the second or subsequent year of employment.
- 14.5 Paid personal leave is taken due to a personal illness or injury.
- Paid carer's leave is taken to provide care or support to a member of the Employee's Immediate family or a member of the Employee's household, who requires care or support because of a personal illness or injury or an unexpected emergency affecting the member.
- Where the Employee has exhausted the paid personal/carer's leave entitlement, the Employee may take up to two days' unpaid carer's leave per permissible occasion. Unpaid carer's leave may be taken as a single, unbroken period of up to two days, or any separate period as agreed by the Employer and the Employee.
- 14.8 A casual Employee may take up to two days' unpaid carer's leave per permissible occasion. Unpaid carer's leave may be taken as a single, unbroken period of up to two days, or any separate period as agreed by the Employer and the Employee.

### 14.9 Notice and evidentiary requirements

- (a) An Employee must notify the Employer of the Employee's absence as soon as reasonably practicable. The notice must be to the effect that the Employee requires the leave because of a personal illness or injury or to provide care or support to a member of the Employee's Immediate Family or household as the member is suffering either a personal illness or injury or an unexpected emergency.
- **(b)** An Employee is entitled to personal/carer's leave provided that:
  - (i) the Employee produces a medical certificate from a Medical Practitioner or a statutory declaration to the Employer for any absence of two or more consecutive days;
  - (ii) the Employee provides a medical certificate from a Medical Practitioner or a statutory declaration to the Employer for any absence adjacent to a public holiday to which the Employee is entitled, or adjacent to the first or last day of a term which would not otherwise require the provision of evidence;
  - (iii) the Employee produces a medical certificate from a Medical Practitioner or a statutory declaration to the Employer where the number of days of paid personal/carer's leave already taken without the production of a medical certificate or a statutory declaration exceeds five days in the one School year.

## 14.10 Discretionary leave

- (a) An Employee is entitled to request discretionary leave which is taken from the Employee's entitlement to paid personal/carer's leave.
- (b) Discretionary leave is approved at the complete discretion of the Principal. The operational requirements of the School will be considered when approving any request for discretionary leave.
- (c) An Employee who has a time fraction:
  - (i) of 0.4 or greater, may request to take up to two days paid discretionary leave per year;
  - (ii) less than 0.4, may request to take up to 20 per cent of the annual personal/carer's leave entitlement as discretionary leave per year.
- (d) Whilst an Employee's entitlement to personal/carer's leave accrues each year, the cap applying to the amount of discretionary leave that can be accessed per year is not cumulative.

## 15. Compassionate leave

**15.1** Compassionate leave is as provided for in the NES except where this Agreement provides ancillary or supplementary terms.

- An Employee may take up to three (3) days' paid leave per occasion when a member of the Employee's Immediate Family or household dies, or contracts or develops a personal illness or injury that poses a serious threat to life.
- 15.3 Compassionate leave may be taken in a single unbroken period or in separate periods of one day each or as agreed by the Employer and the Employee.
- 15.4 The Employee is entitled to compassionate leave only if the Employee gives the Employer any evidence that the Employer reasonably requires of the illness, injury or death.

## 16. Community service leave

- 16.1 Community service leave is as provided by the NES except where this Agreement provides ancillary or supplementary terms.
- An Employee is entitled to be absent from employment to engage in an eligible community service activity (including jury service).
- 16.3 The definitions, entitlements and notice and evidence requirements applying to eligible community service activities are prescribed by the NES.

## 16.4 Payment for jury service

- (a) An Employee is entitled to payment at their ordinary rate of pay for an absence due to jury service. The Employee will be paid for all days of jury service at their ordinary rate of pay provided that prior to proceeding on community service leave the Employee signs a permitted deductions form allowing the Employer to deduct from a subsequent salary payment(s) the amount of jury service pay paid to the Employee.
- (b) In this clause, ordinary rate of pay means the amount the Employee would reasonably expect to have received from the Employer as earnings for that period had he or she not been performing jury service.

# 17. Public holidays

17.1 Public holidays are as provided for in the NES except where this Agreement provides ancillary or supplementary terms.

## 17.2 Payment for work on a public holiday

A General Staff Employee required to work on a public holiday will be paid at the rate of 250% for ordinary hours performed, unless the Employer and the Employee have agreed to the Employee taking a day off instead of payment in which case the Employee will be paid at the ordinary time rate for work on the public holiday.

## 17.3 Substitution of public holidays

(a) By agreement between the Employer and an individual Employee, an alternate day may be taken as a public holiday in lieu of any of the days specified by the NES.

- **(b)** The agreement will be recorded in writing and made available to the affected Employee.
- (c) Where substitution is agreed, the substituted day will be the public holiday for all purposes of this Agreement.

## 18. Long service leave

- Long service leave is as provided by the NES, or the LSL Act, as appropriate, except where this Agreement provides ancillary or supplementary terms.
- An Employee is entitled to 13 weeks long service leave upon the completion of 10 years of continuous employment with the Employer. An Employee is entitled to additional six and a half weeks' long service leave for each additional five years of continuous employment with the Employer. An Employee accrues long service leave at the rate of 1.3 weeks per year of continuous employment.
- 18.3 Long service leave is taken at a time mutually agreeable between the Employer and Employee.
- Ordinarily, the minimum period of long service leave that a Teacher can take is two weeks. A Teacher seeking to take two weeks' long service leave is required to apply for such leave with a full terms' notice. A Teacher seeking to take a period of long service leave of more than two weeks is required to apply for such leave with not less than six months' notice. An application for less than two weeks' long service leave, or an application with less than the required period of notice, will only be approved at the discretion of the Principal.
- A General Staff Employee may take long service leave for not less than one day. The Employer must grant the request as soon as practicable after receiving the request unless it has reasonable business grounds for refusing the request. A General Staff Employee applying for long service leave must provide reasonable notice. A General Staff Employee wishing to take a period of long service leave of more than two weeks' is required to apply for such leave with not less than six months' notice.
- An Employee can apply to access their accrued long service leave on a pro rata basis after the completion of seven years of continuous employment.

### 19. Parental leave

#### 19.1 NES

Parental leave is as provided for by the NES except where this Agreement provides ancillary or supplementary terms.

### 19.2 Total amount of available parental leave

An Employee is entitled to an automatic 24 months of parental leave, which includes the available parental leave period, and the period beyond the available parental leave period, provided for in the NES. An Employee and the Employer can agree to an extended period of parental leave beyond the 24 months where this suits the operational requirements of the School. For the avoidance of doubt, the Employee

does not have an entitlement to apply to extend the parental leave period beyond 24 months.

## 19.3 Notice of termination to a replacement Teacher

A Teacher replacing a Teacher granted parental leave will not be entitled to more than four (4) weeks' notice of termination of employment. The notice of termination provisions will be specified in writing at the time the replacement Teacher is employed.

## 20. Paid parental leave

## **20.1** Application

- (a) This clause does not apply to a casual or fixed-term Employee.
- (b) This clause applies to a full-time or part-time Employee who is entitled to unpaid parental leave in accordance with the NES and cl.19-Parental leave.
- (c) The payments in cll.20.2 and 20.3:
  - (i) are not payable during a period of paid leave;
  - (ii) are payable from the commencement date of the period of parental leave upon the birth or adoption of a child;
  - (iii) are paid at the Employee's ordinary rate of pay; and
  - (iv) are payable to one Employee only, where the Employer employs both parents of the child. For the avoidance of doubt, where the Employer employs both parents of the child, only one parent will be entitled to payment under cl. 20.2 but the other parent will be eligible to receive paid partner leave under cl. 20.3.

## 20.2 Birth-related leave and adoption-related leave

- (a) An Employee will be entitled to 14 weeks of leave with pay (from the leave commencement date) to be responsible for the care of the child.
- (b) If the Employee takes less than 14 weeks of leave with pay, then the Employee will be paid for the period of leave taken.
- (c) From the date that this Agreement commences to operate, the period of paid birth-related leave or adoption-related leave accrues pro rata annual leave based on the NES entitlement (which is four weeks' annual leave per year of service), pro rata personal/carer's leave and pro rata long service leave.
- (d) An Employee must have completed a minimum of 12 months' continuous service, if returning from parental leave, before being eligible for a payment pursuant to this clause for the birth of a second or subsequent child.

#### 20.3 Partner leave

An Employee, who has completed at least 12 months' continuous service with the Employer as at the date of the birth or placement of the child and takes concurrent

leave of at least ten days within the first four weeks of the child being born/adopted, will be paid for those ten days.

# 21. Leave without pay

- 21.1 A Teacher may apply for leave without pay which may be granted at the discretion of the Principal.
- A General Staff Employee may apply for a further period of leave without pay, in addition to the periods of leave without pay during Non-term weeks pursuant to cl.48 Leave without pay during Non-term weeks, which may be granted at the discretion of the Principal.

### 22. Infectious diseases leave

An Employee who is suffering from one of the infectious diseases will be granted special leave without deduction of pay provided the Employer is satisfied on medical advice that the Employee has contracted the disease through a contact at the School and the disease is evident in the School:

- German measles
- Chickenpox
- Measles
- Mumps
- Scarlet fever
- Whooping cough
- Rheumatic fever, or
- Hepatitis.

## 23. Family violence leave

#### 23.1 Definitions

*Family violence* means violent, threatening or other abusive behaviour by a family member of an Employee that seeks to coerce or control the Employee and which causes harm to the Employee or causes the Employee to be fearful.

## Family member means

- (a) a spouse, de facto partner, child, parent, grandparent, grandchild or sibling of the Employee
- (b) a child, parent, grandparent, grandchild or sibling of a spouse or de facto partner of the Employee
- (c) a person related to the employee according to Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander kinship rules

<u>Note</u>: For this clause, a spouse or de facto partner includes a former spouse or a former de facto partner.

*Sensitive personal information* means information that identifies the Employee and discloses the Employee's experience of being subjected to family violence.

#### 23.2 Leave entitlement

- (a) A full-time Employee, who is subject to an act or acts of family violence, is entitled to ten days of paid family violence leave in a School year.
- (b) A part-time Employee is entitled to pro rata of ten days' paid family violence leave in accordance with the Employee's time fraction.
- (c) Family violence leave may be taken as:
  - (i) a continuous period
  - (ii) a single period of one day
  - (iii) any separate period/s of less than one day which the Employer and Employee agree.
- (d) Family violence leave is not cumulative from year to year.

#### 23.3 Purpose of leave

Family violence leave is for:

- (a) meeting with police to report on an incident of family violence (including any required ongoing attendance with police)
- (b) attending legal proceedings, counselling, appointments with medical, financial or legal professionals
- (c) attending a support service providing support to persons experiencing family violence
- (d) relocation or the making of other safety arrangements
- (e) other activities reasonably associated with the experience of family violence.

### 23.4 Notice and evidentiary requirements

- (a) An Employee must give notice to the Principal, or the Principal's delegate, of the taking of leave under this clause.
- **(b)** The notice:
  - (i) must be given as soon as practicable (which may be at a time after the leave has commenced); and
  - (ii) must advise of the period, or expected period, of the leave.
- (c) The Employee must provide documentary evidence that would satisfy a reasonable person that the leave is for the purpose as set out above in cl.23.3. Such evidence may include a document issued by the police service, a court, a

doctor (including a medical certificate), a family violence support service or a lawyer, or the Employee may provide a statutory declaration.

- (d) The Employer will not place the documentary evidence provided under cl.23.4(c) on the Employee's file, unless expressly permitted by the Employee. Instead, the Employer may place a note on the Employee's file confirming:
  - (i) the dates that family violence leave was taken; and
  - (ii) that documentary evidence was sighted by the Employer.
- (e) Sensitive personal information provided by the Employee to the Employer concerning family violence will be kept confidential to the extent possible, except where disclosure is required by law or to prevent a serious threat to the life, health and/or safety of any individual.

## 23.5 Compliance

An Employee is not entitled to take leave under this clause unless the Employee complies with this clause.

## 24. Breakage and loss

An Employee who takes reasonable care will not suffer loss of income for any accidental breakages or loss of property which occurs in the normal course of the Employee's duties.

## 25. Examination leave

An Employee will be granted leave with pay to attend compulsory examinations in an approved relevant course of study.

# 26. Qualification conferral leave

An Employee will be granted leave with pay for up to one day for the purpose of having a degree/diploma or other qualification conferred in an approved relevant course of study.

## 27. Performance and conduct management

## 27.1 Application

The Employer will not be required to commence a performance or conduct management procedure, as detailed in this clause:

- (a) where an Employee's employment is terminated during the minimum employment period pursuant to cl.12 -Minimum employment period; or
- **(b)** for a casual Employee.

#### **27.2** Performance Management

- (a) Where the Employer is considering termination of employment for reasons related to the Employee's performance, the Employer will implement the procedure in this clause.
- (b) A formal performance management procedure will commence with the Employer advising the Employee in writing of:
  - (i) the Employer's concern(s) with the Employee's performance;
  - (ii) the time, date and place of the first formal meeting to discuss the Employee's performance;
  - (iii) the Employee's right to be accompanied by a nominee of the Employee's choice at all meetings scheduled to discuss the Employee's performance;
  - (iv) the Employer's right to terminate the employment should the procedure not resolve the Employer's concern(s).
- (c) Formal performance management meetings will
  - (i) include discussion of the Employer's concern(s) with the Employee's performance;
  - (ii) give the Employee an opportunity to respond to the Employer's concern(s);
  - (iii) include discussion of any counselling or assistance, where appropriate, available to the Employee;
  - (iv) include documentation, where appropriate;
  - (v) set periods of review, as appropriate.
- (d) If, after following the procedure in this clause, the Employer's decision is to terminate the employment of the Employee, then the Employer will give the required period of notice or payment in lieu of notice.

## **27.3** Conduct Management

- (a) Where the Employer is considering termination of employment for reasons related to an Employee's conduct, the Employer will implement the procedure in this clause.
- **(b)** The Employer will advise the Employee in writing of:
  - (i) the Employer's concern(s) with the Employee's conduct;
  - (ii) the time, date and place of the meeting to discuss the Employee's conduct;
  - (iii) the Employee's right to be accompanied by a nominee of the Employee's choice at any meeting scheduled to discuss the Employee's conduct;

- (iv) the Employer's right to terminate the Employee's employment should the Employer's concern(s) not be resolved.
- (c) The formal conduct management meeting(s) will:
  - (i) include discussion of the Employer's concern(s) with the Employee's conduct;
  - (ii) give the Employee an opportunity to respond to the Employer's concern(s).
- (d) Concern(s) with an Employee's conduct may be resolved by:
  - (i) summary dismissal, where the Employee is guilty of serious misconduct of a kind such that it would be unreasonable to require the Employer to continue the employment during the notice period;
  - (ii) issuing the Employee with a warning or a final warning in writing;
  - (iii) terminating the employment of the Employee in accordance with the relevant notice provision;
  - (iv) other action, appropriate to the situation.

# 28. Redundancy

**28.1** The following redundancy pay scale will apply instead of the provisions in the NES:

Period of Continuous Service	Redundancy Pay
Less than 1 year	Nil
1 year and less than 2 years	4 weeks' pay
2 years and less than 3 years	6 weeks' pay
3 years and less than 4 years	7 weeks' pay
4 years and less than 5 years	8 weeks' pay
5 years and less than 6 years	10 weeks' pay
6 years and less than 7 years	11 weeks' pay
7 years and less than 8 years	13 weeks' pay
8 years and less than 9 years	14 weeks' pay
9 years and less than 10 years	16 weeks' pay
10 years and less than 11 years	18 weeks' pay
More than 11 years	20 weeks' pay

## 28.2 Transfer to lower paid duties

Where an Employee is transferred to lower paid duties by reason of redundancy, the same period of notice must be given as the Employee would have been entitled to under the NES if the employment had been terminated and the Employer may, at the Employer's option, make payment instead of an amount equal to the difference

between the former ordinary time rate of pay and the ordinary time rate of pay for the number of weeks of notice still owing.

## 28.3 Employee leaving during notice period

An Employee given notice of termination in circumstances of redundancy may terminate their employment during the NES period of notice. The Employee is entitled to receive the benefits and payments they would have received under this clause had they remained in employment until the expiry of the notice but is not entitled to payment instead of notice.

### **28.4 Job search entitlement**

- (a) An Employee given notice of termination in circumstances of redundancy must be allowed up to one day's time off without loss of pay during each week of NES notice for the purpose of seeking other employment.
- **(b)** At the request of the Employer, the Employee must produce proof of attendance at an interview.
- (c) This entitlement applies instead of cll.42.4 and 50.3.

#### **28.5** Part-time Teachers

If a part-time Teacher's hours are reduced, without their consent, by more than 25% they will be entitled to the provisions of this clause.

## 29. Payment of salary

**29.1** Salary will be paid by credit transfer to the Employee's nominated financial institution account on a monthly basis.

### 29.2 Payment on termination of employment

- (a) The Employer must pay an Employee no later than 7 days after the day on which the Employee's employment terminates:
  - (i) the Employee's wages under this Agreement for any complete or incomplete pay period up to the end of the day of termination; and
  - (ii) all other amounts that are due to the employee under this Agreement and the NES.
- (b) The requirement to pay wages and other amounts under clause 29.2(a) is subject to further order of the FWC and the Employer making deductions authorised by this Agreement or the Act.

NOTE 1: Section 117(2) of the <u>Act</u> provides that an employer must not terminate an employee's employment unless the employer has given the employee the required minimum period of notice or "has paid" to the employee payment instead of giving notice.

NOTE 2: Clause 29.2(b) allows the FWC to make an order delaying the requirement to make a payment under clause 29.2. For example, the FWC could make an order delaying the requirement to pay redundancy pay if an employer makes an application

under section 120 of the <u>Act</u> for the FWC to reduce the amount of redundancy pay an employee is entitled to under the <u>NES</u>.

NOTE 3: State and Territory long service leave laws or long service leave entitlements under section 113 of the <u>Act</u>, may require an employer to pay an employee for accrued long service leave on the day on which the employee's employment terminates or shortly after.

## 30. Superannuation

## 30.1 Superannuation legislation

- (a) Superannuation legislation, including the Superannuation Guarantee (Administration) Act 1992 (Cth), the Superannuation Guarantee Charge Act 1992 (Cth), the Superannuation Industry (Supervision) Act 1993 (Cth) and the Superannuation (Resolution of Complaints) Act 1993 (Cth), deals with the superannuation rights and obligations of employers and employees. Under superannuation legislation, individual Employees generally have the opportunity to choose their own superannuation fund. If an Employee does not choose a superannuation fund, the default superannuation fund is Combined Super.
- (b) The rights and obligations in these clauses supplement those in superannuation legislation.

## 30.2 Employer contributions

The Employer must make such superannuation contributions to a superannuation fund for the benefit of an Employee as will avoid the Employer being required to pay the superannuation guarantee charge under superannuation legislation with respect to that Employee.

## 30.3 Voluntary employee contributions

- (a) Subject to the governing rules of the relevant superannuation fund, an Employee may, in writing, authorise the Employer to pay on behalf of the Employee a specified amount from the post-taxation wages of the Employee into the same superannuation fund as the Employer makes the superannuation contributions provided for in cl.30.2.
- (b) An Employee may adjust the amount the Employee has authorised the Employer to pay from the wages of the Employee from the first of the month following the giving of three months' written notice to the Employer.
- (c) The Employer must pay the amount authorised under cll.30.3(a) or 30.3(b) no later than 28 days after the end of the month in which the deduction authorised under cll.30.3(a) or 30.3(b) was made.

### **30.4** Superannuation fund

Unless, to comply with superannuation legislation, the Employer is required to make the superannuation contributions provided for in cl.30.2 to another superannuation fund that is chosen by the Employee, the Employer must make the superannuation contributions provided for in cl.30.2 and pay the amount authorised under cll.30.3(a)

and 30.3(b) to Combined Super or its successor, provided that the Employer is not required to become a participating employer.

## 31. Accident pay

#### 31.1 Entitlement

Where an Employee is incapacitated for work by reason of a work-related injury or illness and becomes entitled to receive weekly payments under the *Workplace Injury Compensation and Rehabilitation Act 2013* (Vic) (WIRC Act), the Employer must pay to the Employee the difference between such weekly payments and the normal remuneration of the Employee for a period or periods in the aggregate of 39 weeks.

#### 31.2 Accrual of leave entitlements

If an Employee is absent from work because of a personal illness or injury, for which the Employee is receiving compensation payments pursuant to the WIRC Act, then the Employee accrues entitlements in accordance with the relevant legislation.

Note: A Teacher does not accrue an entitlement to paid Non-term weeks (excluding the entitlement to annual leave) whilst in receipt of compensation payments.

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### 32. Tuition fee discount

- A full time Employee will receive a 50% tuition fee discount for their children attending the School, provided that there is a place available for the child.
- A part time Employee will receive a pro rata discount of 50% on their tuition fees, based on their fraction.
- 32.3 Other fees and charges levied by the School which are not in the tuition fees, as well as the fringe benefit tax, are to be paid by the Employee.
- An Employee is required to be providing service to the School (as defined by the Act) in order to receive the tuition fee discount.

### **Part 4 - Conditions for Teachers**

## 33. Types of employment

- **33.1** Teachers will be employed in one of the following categories:
  - (a) full-time employment;
  - (b) part-time employment;
  - (c) casual employment; or
  - (d) fixed term employment.

## 33.2 Terms of engagement

- (a) On appointment, the Employer will provide the Teacher (other than a casual Teacher) with a letter of appointment stating the classification and rate of salary applicable on commencement, and details for how the annual leave loading will be paid.
- (b) For a part-time Teacher, the letter of appointment will include the Teacher's teaching load expressed as a percentage of a full-time load in the school and that the Teacher's extracurricular commitment and additional duties will generally be, on balance, in the same proportion to their teaching load as that of a full-time Teacher.
- (c) Where the Employer engages the Teacher on a fixed-term basis, the letter of appointment will state the reason the employment is fixed-term, and the period of the employment.

## 33.3 Full-time employment

A full-time Teacher is engaged to work an average of 38 ordinary hours per week.

### 33.4 Part-time employment

- (a) A part-time Teacher is engaged to work on a regular basis for not more than 90% of the hours of a full-time Teacher
- (b) Where the Employer requires a part-time Teacher to work more than 90% of the hours of a full-time Teacher, the Teacher will be considered full-time and remunerated accordingly.
- (c) Where the Teacher requests to work more than 90% of the hours of a full-time Teacher, the Teacher will be considered part-time and paid for the actual hours worked.
- (d) A part-time Teacher is entitled to the benefits under this Agreement on a pro rata basis. The pro rata basis will be calculated by dividing the number of face-to-face teaching hours prescribed for the part-time Teacher from time to

time by the usual number of face-to-face teaching hours prescribed for a full-time Teacher in the School or in the Early Childhood Service.

- (e) Teaching load and days of attendance may be varied by mutual consent between the Employer and the Teacher at any time.
- (f) The Employer may vary the teaching load or days of attendance, where such a variation is required as a result of a change in funding, enrolment or curriculum. The Employer will endeavour to provide seven weeks' notice but will at least provide four weeks' notice in writing or where the change would result in a reduction in salary, the salary is maintained for a period of four weeks.
- (g) If a part-time Teacher's hours are reduced, without their consent, by more than 25% they will be entitled to the provisions of cl. 28 Redundancy.

## 33.5 Casual employment

- (a) Casual employment means employment on a day-to-day basis for a period of not more than four consecutive Term weeks.
- (b) A casual Teacher may be engaged for a period of up to one school term.
- (c) The rates of pay for a casual Teacher are contained in Sch.B.5.
- (d) A casual Teacher is not entitled to any of the following benefits under this Agreement:
  - (i) notice of termination of employment;
  - (ii) redundancy;
  - (iii) remuneration packaging;
  - (iv) annual leave;
  - (v) annual leave loading;
  - (vi) paid personal/carer's leave;
  - (vii) paid compassionate leave;
  - (viii) paid parental leave;
  - (ix) pro rata payment of salary inclusive of annual leave;
  - (x) infectious diseases leave;
  - (xi) examination leave;
  - (xii) qualification conferral leave; and
  - (xiii) tuition fee discount.

#### 33.6 Fixed-term employment

- (a) A Teacher may be employed for a fixed period of time up to 12 months to:
  - (i) undertake a specified project for which funding has been made available;
  - (ii) undertake a specified task which has a limited period of operation; or
  - (iii) replace a Teacher who is on leave, performing other duties temporarily or whose employment has terminated after the commencement of the School year. Provided that where the replacement arrangement extends beyond 12 months, the fixed term employment may be extended by a further period to cover the absence.
- (b) A fixed-term Teacher is not entitled to any of the following benefits under this Agreement:
  - (i) paid parental leave;
  - (ii) examination leave;
  - (iii) qualification conferral leave; and
  - (iv) tuition fee discount.

## 34. Ordinary hours of work

- 34.1 This clause provides for enterprise specific detail and supplements the NES that deals with maximum weekly hours.
- Notwithstanding the NES, and due to the operational requirements of the Employer, the ordinary hours of a Teacher may be averaged over a 12 month period.
- 34.3 The ordinary hours of work for a Teacher during term weeks are variable. In return, a Teacher is not generally required to attend during periods when the students are not present, subject to the needs of the Employer with regard to professional development, student free days and other activities requiring the Teacher's attendance.
- **34.4** The following circumstances are not included when calculating attendance days:
  - (a) co-curricular activities that are conducted on a weekend;
  - (b) school-related overseas and interstate trips, conferences and similar activities undertaken by mutual consent during Non-term weeks;
  - (c) when the Teacher appointed to a leadership position is performing duties in Non-term weeks that are directly associated with the leadership position;
  - (d) exceptional circumstances, such as the requirement to provide pastoral care to students in the event of a tragedy in the school community, in which an Teacher may be recalled to perform duties relating to their position.

- 34.5 Generally, the Employer will provide written notice of the Term weeks and days in Non-term weeks on which the Teachers are required to attend, six months in advance of the requirement to attend.
- 34.6 The annual salary and any applicable allowances payable are paid in full satisfaction of a Teacher's entitlements for the School year or a proportion of the School year. The Teacher's absence from School during Non-term weeks is deemed to include their entitlement to annual leave.

### 35. Breaks

- A Teacher will be entitled to an unpaid meal break of not less than 30 consecutive minutes if a Teacher works more than five hours on that day.
- Where a Teacher employed in an Early Childhood Service is required to remain on the premises during the meal break the Teacher will be entitled to a paid meal break of no more than 30 minutes, and no less than 20 minutes no later than five hours after commencing work.

## **36.** Classifications

The Employer will classify a Teacher in accordance with Schedule A - Teacher Classifications.

## 37. Salary

The minimum rates of pay for a full-time Teacher are provided by Schedule B - Teacher Salaries.

#### 38. Allowances

Schedule C - Teacher Allowances specifies the allowances available under this Agreement.

### 39. Annual leave

Annual leave is as provided for by the NES except where this Agreement provides ancillary or supplementary terms.

### 39.2 Timing of annual leave

A Teacher must take annual leave during Non-term weeks. Leave must generally be taken, in the four-week period immediately following the final Term week of the current School year, unless otherwise agreed with the Employer.

### 39.3 Crediting of annual leave

A Teacher may take annual leave re-credited in accordance with the NES only during Non-term weeks as directed by the Employer.

# 40. Pro rata payment of salary inclusive of annual leave

- 40.1 This clause provides enterprise specific detail and incorporates the NES entitlement with respect to annual leave.
- **40.2** The provisions of this clause will apply:
  - (a) in the calculation of payment in regard to pro rata salary where a Teacher's employment ceases; or
  - (b) in the calculation of payment in regard to pro rata salary if:
    - (i) a Teacher commenced employment after the school service date;
    - (ii) a Teacher has taken leave without pay of more than two Term weeks since the school service date; or
    - (iii) the hours which a Teacher has worked at the School have varied since the school service date.

## **40.3** Termination of employment

A Teacher will be entitled on termination of employment to a payment calculated in accordance with this clause.

# 40.4 Teachers who commence employment after the commencement of the school year

A Teacher who commences employment after the usual date of commencement at a School, will be paid from the date the Teacher commences, provided the Teacher must be paid an amount calculated pursuant to this clause at the end of the School year and will not receive any salary or other payment until the commencement of the next School year.

## 40.5 Teachers who take approved leave without pay

Where a Teacher takes approved leave without pay for a period which (in total) exceeds more than two Term weeks in any year, the Teacher will be paid an amount calculated in accordance with this clause as follows:

- (a) if the leave without pay commences and concludes in the same School year, the payment will be calculated and made at the conclusion of the last school term or final semester in that year; and
- (b) if the leave without pay is to conclude in a School year following the School year in which the leave commenced:
  - (i) at the commencement of the leave, a payment will be calculated and made in respect of the School year in which the leave commences; or
  - (ii) at the end of the last school term or final semester in that year in which the leave concludes, a payment will be calculated and made in respect of that School year.

If the Teacher returns early from leave any payment under this clause will be taken into account in calculating the amount owed to the Teacher at the end of the school year.

### 40.6 Calculation of payments

$$P = \underline{s \times c} - d$$

where

- P is the payment due
- s is the total salary paid in respect of Term weeks worked, or part thereof, since the school service date or the date of employment in circumstances where the Teacher has been employed by the Employer since the school service date.
- b is the number of Term weeks, or part thereof in the School year
- c is the number of Non-term weeks, or part thereof, in the School year
- d is the salary paid in respect of Non-term weeks (or part thereof) in the School year that have occurred since the school service date or date of employment in circumstances where the Teacher commenced employment after the school service date.

## **40.7** For the purpose of this clause:

- (a) school service date means the date from which Teachers are paid at the commencement of the School year in their first year of service with the Employer;
- **(b) Teacher** means a Teacher other than a casual Teacher;
- (c) any period of paid birth-related or adoption-related leave is not included in the calculation of 's' or 'd' in this formula.
- 40.8 The formula in cl.40.6 is intended to be used to calculate the pro rata salary inclusive of annual leave owing to a Teacher in respect of the school, in which the formula is applied.

### 41. Annual leave loading

- 41.1 This clause provides for enterprise specific detail and supplements the NES that deals with annual leave.
- 41.2 A Teacher who has served throughout the School year is entitled to a leave loading of 17.5% on four weeks' annual leave. The loading will normally be paid with each salary payment throughout the school year, by increasing the annual rate of pay as at the commencement of the School year, or as subsequently varied, by 1.342%.

# 42. Termination of employment

#### 42.1 NES notice of termination

Notice of termination is provided for in the NES. This clause provides enterprise specific detail and supplements the NES.

### 42.2 Notice of termination by the Employer

The employment of a Teacher (other than a casual Teacher) will not be terminated without at least seven Term weeks' notice (inclusive of the notice required under the NES), the payment of seven weeks' salary instead of notice or part notice and part payment instead of notice provided that the total weeks' notice and weeks' payment instead equals seven Term weeks.

## 42.3 Notice of termination by a Teacher

The notice of termination required to be given by a Teacher is the same as that required of the Employer.

#### 42.4 Job search entitlement

Where the Employer has given notice of termination to a Teacher, a Teacher must be allowed up to one day's time off without loss of pay for the purpose of seeking other employment. The time off is to be taken at times that are convenient to the Teacher after consultation with the Employer.

#### 42.5 Statement of service

Upon the termination of employment of a Teacher, the Employer will provide upon the request of the Teacher, a statement of service setting out:

- (a) the commencement and cessation dates of employment; and;
- (b) for a casual Teacher, the number of days of duty worked by the Teacher during the period of the engagement.

### **Part 5 - Conditions for General Staff**

## 43. Types of employment

- **43.1** General Staff Employees will be employed in one of the following categories:
  - (a) full-time employment;
  - **(b)** part-time employment; or
  - (c) casual employment.
- 43.2 At the time of engagement, an Employer will inform each Employee whether they are employed on a full-time, part-time or casual basis and the Employee's classification.

## 43.3 Full-time employment

A full-time Employee is an Employee engaged to work 38 hours per week or an average of 38 hours per week pursuant to clause 44—Ordinary hours of work.

## 43.4 Part-time employment

- (a) A part-time Employee is an Employee who is engaged to work less than 38 ordinary hours per week or an average of less than 38 hours per week and/or for less than the full school year and who has reasonably predictable hours of work.
- (b) A part-time Employee will be paid an hourly rate of 1/38th of the weekly rate for the Employee's classification.
- (c) A part-time Employee's entitlements will be calculated on a pro rata basis.
- (d) At the time of engagement, the Employer and the part-time Employee will agree in writing on a regular pattern of work, specifying the time fraction and the number of weeks of the school year the Employee will work.
- (e) The terms of the agreement in cl.43.4(d) may be varied by agreement between the Employer and an Employee. Any such variation will be recorded in writing.

### 43.5 Casual employment

- (a) A casual Employee is an Employee engaged as such.
- (b) A casual Employee will be paid an hourly rate of 1/38th of the weekly rate for the Employee's classification, plus 25%.
- (c) A casual Employee will be engaged and paid for a minimum of two hours for each engagement. Except that a Preschool/childcare services Employee working in an out of school hours care program may satisfy the two hour minimum by working one hour before school and one hour after school on the same day.

- (d) A casual Employee must be paid at the termination of each engagement, or fortnightly or monthly in accordance with usual payment methods for full-time Employees.
- (e) A casual Employee is not entitled to any of the following benefits under this Agreement:
  - i. notice of termination of employment;
  - ii. redundancy;
  - iii. remuneration packaging;
  - iv. annual leave;
  - v. leave loading;
  - vi. paid personal/carer's leave;
  - vii. paid compassionate leave;
  - viii. paid parental leave;
  - ix. infectious diseases leave;
  - x. examination leave;
  - xi. qualification conferral leave; and
  - xii. tuition fee discount.

# 44. Ordinary hours of work

- **44.1** Subject to this clause, a full-time Employee's ordinary hours of work will be 38 per week. The ordinary hours of work for a part-time or casual Employee will be in accordance with clause 44—Types of Employment.
- 44.2 The ordinary hours of work may be averaged over a period of a fortnight or four weeks. The ordinary hours of work will be worked on no more than five days in any seven days and may be worked as follows:
  - (a) On any day from Monday to Friday between 7.00 am and 6.00 pm for the following groups of Employees:
    - (i) Classroom support services;
    - (ii) Curriculum/education resources:
    - (iii) Wellbeing services
    - (iv) School administration services; or
    - (v) School operational services—retail Employees only.
  - (b) On any day from Monday to Friday between 6.00 am and 6.00 pm for school operational services Employees in the following groups:

- (i) Construction, plumbing, carpentry, painting and other trades;
- (ii) Cleaning, maintenance, school facilities management; or
- (iii) Bus driving/non-trade vehicle maintenance.
- (c) On any day from Monday to Friday between 6.30 am and 6.30 pm for the following Employees:

Preschool/childcare/out of school hours care services.

- (d) On any day from Monday to Friday between 6.00 am and 6.00 pm and on Saturday between 6.00 am and 12 noon for gardening, turf maintenance and farming Employees.
- (e) On any day from Monday to Saturday between 6.00 am and 6.00 pm for the following Employees:

Curriculum/education resources—outdoor education only.

(f) On any day Monday to Sunday between 6.00 am and 6.00 pm for the following Employees:

School operational services—security/caretaking and cooking, catering, housekeeping and laundry services only.

Provided that where a daily span of hours is specified, and there is mutual agreement between the Employer and the majority of Employees in the particular group, the starting and finishing times may be varied by up to one hour so long as the total hours remain unchanged.

#### 44.3 Reasonable additional hours

- (a) An Employer may require a part-time Employee to work reasonable additional hours in accordance with the provisions of this clause.
- **(b)** Where the Employee's hours are averaged:
  - (i) the Employee will be paid for all such additional hours at the casual hourly rate of pay, provided that the additional hours fall within the applicable daily spread of hours in cl.44.2, do not result in the Employee working more than eight hours on that day, and do not result in the Employee working more than the allowed maximum weekly ordinary hours during the averaging period; and
  - (ii) in all other cases the Employee will be entitled to payment at the appropriate overtime rate of pay for any additional hours worked.
- (c) Where the Employee's hours are not averaged:
  - (i) the Employee will be paid for all such additional hours at the casual hourly rate of pay, provided that the additional hours worked fall within the applicable daily spread of hours in cl.44.2, and do not result in the Employee working more than eight hours on that day; and;

- (ii) in all other cases the Employee will be entitled to payment at the appropriate overtime rate of pay for any additional hours worked.
- (d) Where additional hours are worked on a day the Employee is already attending for work, the minimum casual engagement of two hours will not apply.
- (e) Additional hours worked by a part-time Employee in accordance with this clause do not accrue leave entitlements under this award or the NES.

## 44.4 Breaks between periods of duty

- (a) An Employee will be entitled to a minimum break of 10 consecutive hours between the end of one period of duty and the beginning of the next. This applies in relation to both ordinary hours and where overtime is worked.
- (b) Where an Employer requires an Employee to continue or resume work without having a 10-hour break off duty, the Employee is entitled to be absent from duty without loss of pay until a 10-hour break has been taken, or be paid at 200% of the ordinary rate of pay until released from duty.
- (c) The entitlements in cll.44.4(a) and (b) do not apply to:
  - (i) an Employee who is attending a school camp or excursion; or
  - (ii) an Employee working a broken shift.
- (d) at the rate of pay applicable to the work being performed.

## 45. Classifications

- (a) An Employee must be classified in accordance with the classification structure set out in Schedule D General Staff Classifications and paid not less than the salary specified for that classification in accordance with Schedule E General Staff Salaries.
- (b) The Employer must advise the Employee of the Employee's classification, and any changes to the classification, in writing.

# 46. Salary

The Employer will pay an adult Employee not less than the salary specified for the Employee's classification in Schedule E - General Staff Salaries.

## 47. Allowances

Schedule F – General Staff Allowances specifies the allowances available under this Agreement.

# 48. Leave without pay during non-term weeks

## 48.1 Arrangements

An Employee may be required to take leave without pay during non-term weeks, provided that:

- (a) the Employee's contract of employment specifies the arrangement in writing;
- (b) all such periods count as service for the purpose of calculating accrued leave entitlements and do not break continuity of service;
- (c) if appropriate work is available for an Employee during any such period, the existing Employee may be offered such employment (whether on a full-time, part-time or casual basis). The Employee who is on leave without pay may refuse an offer of employment without prejudice to their normal employment relationship; and
- (d) appropriate work will mean such work as is available that is capable of being performed by the Employee. Remuneration for such work will be at the same rate of pay applicable to the work being performed.

# 48.2 Calculating annual salary for an Employee on leave without pay during nonterm weeks

- (a) The formula in this subclause may be used to calculate an annual salary for an Employee whose contract of employment makes provision, in writing, for leave without pay during non-term weeks.
- **(b)** The adjusted annual salary for an Employee is:

Where:

A means the Employee's adjusted annual salary

C means the annual salary (as contained in Schedule E) for the Employee's classification

**Working weeks** means the number of weeks that the Employee is required to work

- (c) For the purpose of calculating any allowance or penalty for an Employee, the allowance or penalty will be calculated on the ordinary hourly rate applicable before the adjustment provided for in this clause is applied.
- (d) An Employee may elect, in writing, to be paid only for the time worked (and therefore not during non-term weeks) rather than to be paid an adjusted annual salary as provided by this clause.

# 49. Higher duties

49.1 The Employer may direct an Employee to temporarily perform duties applicable to a classification higher than their current classification.

- 49.2 Subject to cl.49.3 where the Employee performs such duties for more than five days and those duties constitute the whole or substantially the whole type of duties which would attract the higher classification, the Employee will be paid the rate of pay applicable to the higher classification for the whole period during which the duties are performed.
- Where the Employee is a school operational services Employee, and they perform those duties for one day or more and those duties constitute the whole or substantially the whole type of duties which would attract the higher classification, the Employee will be paid the rate of pay applicable to the higher classification for the whole period during which the duties are performed.

# 50. Termination of employment

#### 50.1 NES notice of termination

Notice of termination is provided for in the NES.

# 50.2 Notice of termination by an Employee

The notice of termination required to be given by an Employee is the same as that required of an Employer except that there is no requirement on the Employee to give additional notice based on the age of the Employee concerned.

#### 50.3 Job search entitlement

Where an Employer has given notice of termination to an Employee, an Employee must be allowed up to one day's time off without loss of pay for the purpose of seeking other employment. The time off is to be taken at times that are convenient to the Employee after consultation with the Employer.

## 51. Annual leave

An Employee is entitled to six weeks' annual leave, which includes any period required to be taken during a shutdown period.

# 52. Annual leave loading

- During a period of annual leave, or upon termination of employment by either party, an Employee will receive a loading calculated on the rate of pay prescribed in Schedule E of this Agreement. Annual leave loading is payable on leave accrued on the following bases:
  - (a) an Employee who would have worked on day work only had the Employee not been on annual leave 17.5% of the Employee's ordinary rate of pay.
  - (b) an Employee who would have worked on shift work had the Employee not been on annual leave 17.5% of the Employee's ordinary rate of pay or the applicable shift loading, whichever is the greater.

# **52.2** Except that the Employer may, at its election, pay:

- (a) annual leave loading to the Employee with each salary payment throughout the School year by increasing the annual rate of pay as at the commencement of the School year, or as subsequently varied, by 1.342%. Where the Employer elects to pay annual leave loading with each salary payment throughout the School year, the Employer must advise the Employee in writing; or
- (b) annual leave loading in respect of the School year to the Employee with the first salary payment in December of that School year at the rate of pay applicable on 1 December of that School year.

# 53. Breaks

#### 53.1 Meal break

An Employee will be entitled to an unpaid meal break of not less than 30 consecutive minutes if an Employee works more than five hours on that day.

#### 53.2 Rest break

- (a) At a time suitable to the Employer, an Employee is entitled to a rest break of 10 minutes, which will be counted as time worked, for each period of three hours worked, with a maximum of two rest breaks per shift. The Employer and an Employee may agree to one rest break of 20 minutes in place of the two 10-minute rest breaks.
- (b) Notwithstanding cl.53.2(a), a Classroom support services Employee is entitled to one rest break of 20 minutes, which will be counted as time worked.

# 54. Shiftwork

## 54.1 Ordinary hours for shiftwork

The ordinary hours for shiftwork will:

- (a) be worked continuously each shift (except for broken shifts and meal breaks);
- (b) not exceed 10 hours, inclusive of a meal break in any single shift; and
- (c) be rostered in accordance with cl.54.4.

#### 54.2 Definitions

The following shift definitions apply:

- (a) day shift is a shift which commences and ceases wholly within the spread of ordinary hours identified in cl.44.2;
- **(b) afternoon shift** is a shift which is not a day shift and which finishes after the ordinary hours identified in cl.44.2 and at or before midnight;
- (c) **night shift** is a shift which is not a day shift and which finishes after midnight and at or before 6.00 am.

#### 54.3 Broken shifts

- (a) An Employee may be rostered to work ordinary hours in a broken shift, that is a rostered shift in two periods of duty, exclusive of breaks, per day, with a minimum payment (other than for a casual) of two hours for each period of duty.
- (b) An Employee, other than a casual, required to work a broken shift will be paid at the ordinary time rate plus a penalty of 15% of the ordinary time rate.
- (c) The maximum spread between the start of the first period of duty and cease of the second period of duty for a broken shift is 12 hours. Any hours in excess of this 12-hour spread will be paid for as overtime.

## 54.4 Rostering

- (a) For Employees working to a roster, a roster showing normal starting and finishing times and the name of each Employee will be prepared by the Employer and will be displayed in a place conveniently accessible to the Employees at least seven days before the commencement of the roster period.
- (b) An Employee may be rostered to work on a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday and will be paid the appropriate penalty in accordance with clause 55—Penalty rates.
- (c) A roster may be altered by mutual consent at any time or by amendment of the roster by the Employer on seven days' notice.
- (d) Notwithstanding cl.54.4(c) a roster may be altered at any time to enable the functions of the Employer to be carried out where another Employee is absent from work due to illness or in an emergency. In such circumstances, unless agreed between the Employer and the Employee, an Employee must be given 48 hours' notice of a change to a rostered shift. If 48 hours' notice is not provided, the Employee will be entitled to a penalty of 50% of the ordinary time rate instead of any other penalty that may apply.
- (e) Where such alteration requires an Employee to work on a day which would otherwise have been the Employee's day off, the day off instead will be arranged by mutual consent.

# 55. Penalty rates

## 55.1 Shiftwork

- (a) Afternoon shift and night shift will attract a penalty rate of 15% of the ordinary time rate.
- (b) A permanent night shift will attract a penalty rate of 30% of the ordinary time rate.

## 55.2 Saturday and Sunday work

(a) An Employee other than an Employee covered by cl.55.2(b) required to work ordinary time on a Saturday or Sunday will be paid the ordinary time rate of pay plus a penalty of:

- (i) for ordinary hours worked on a Saturday, 50% of the ordinary time rate; and
- (ii) for ordinary hours worked on a Sunday, 100% of the ordinary time rate.
- (b) Except that a School operational services Employee in the cooking/catering group, who is not working averaged hours in accordance with the provisions of cl.44.2, rostered to work ordinary hours on a Saturday will be paid the ordinary time rate of pay plus a penalty of 25% of the ordinary time rate and if rostered to work on a Sunday will be paid the ordinary time rate of pay plus a penalty of 75% of the ordinary time rate.
- 55.3 The penalty rates within this clause and in clause 56—Overtime are not cumulative. Where an Employee is entitled to more than one penalty or overtime rate, the Employee will be entitled to the highest single penalty rate.

# 56. Overtime

#### **56.1** Overtime rates

(a) An Employee will be paid overtime for all authorised work performed outside of or in excess of the ordinary or rostered hours as follows:

Time worked	Overtime rate
Monday–Friday	150% of the ordinary hourly rate of pay for the first 3 hours and 200% of the ordinary hourly rate of pay after that
Saturday	150% of the ordinary hourly rate of pay for the first 3 hours and 200% of the ordinary hourly rate of pay after that
Sunday	200% of the ordinary hourly rate of pay
Public holidays	250% of the ordinary hourly rate of pay

**(b)** Overtime will be calculated daily.

# 56.2 Time off instead of overtime payment

- (a) The Employer and an Employee may agree that an Employee will be provided with time off instead of being paid overtime.
- (b) Overtime taken as time off during ordinary time hours must be taken at the ordinary time rate, that is, an hour for each hour worked.

## 56.3 Make-up time

An Employee may elect, with the consent of the Employer, to work make-up time under which the Employee takes time off during ordinary hours, and works those hours at a later time, during the spread of ordinary hours provided for.

# Schedule A — Teacher Classifications

#### A.1 Duties of a Teacher

The duties of a Teacher may include in addition to teaching, activities associated with administration, review, development and delivery of educational programs and co-curricular activities.

## **A.2** Recognition of previous service

- **A.2.1** On appointment, a Teacher will be classified and placed on the appropriate level on the salary scale in Schedule A Teacher Salaries, according to qualifications and teaching experience. **Teaching experience** does not include employment as a teacher in a TAFE program (unless the Teacher is employed to teach a Vocational and Educational Training (VET) program) or as a teacher in an English Language School.
- **A.2.2** In the case of a casual Teacher, the equivalent of a full-time year of teaching service is 200 full casual days in Australian schools.
- **A.2.3** In the case of an Early Childhood Teacher, the following will count as service:
  - (a) teaching experience in preschools, kindergartens, multi-purpose centres, early intervention services, long day care centre and other similar services;
  - (b) teaching experience of children from four to eight years (or in the infants department) of a school registered and/or accredited under the relevant authority in each state or territory;
  - (c) service as a lecturer in early childhood education or child development, as a child development officer or equivalent; and
  - (d) service as a diploma qualified childcare worker, at the rate of one year for every three years of service up to a maximum of four years.

## **A.3** Evidence of qualifications

The Employer may require that the Teacher provide documentary evidence of qualifications and teaching experience. The Employer may decline to recognise the relevant qualification or experience until such evidence is provided.

#### A.4 Progression

- **A.4.1** A Teacher will commence on Level 1 of the salary scale in Schedule B and progress according to normal years of service to Level 11 of the scale.
- **A.4.2** A Teacher employed for 40 per cent or less of a full time teaching load will be required to complete 24 months' service before progressing to the next level.

# Schedule B— Teacher Salaries

# **B.1** Annual rate of pay

The salary for a full-time Teacher will be determined in accordance with Schedule A, and will be not less than the rate of pay prescribed by the following table from the first pay period commencing on or after the specified date.

	2021		2022		2023	
Level	1	1	1	1	1	1
	April	October	April	October	April	October
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1	76,594	77,360	78,134	78,915	79,704	80,501
2	79,421	80,216	81,018	81,828	82,646	83,473
3	82,351	83,175	84,007	84,847	85,695	86,552
4	85,389	86,243	87,106	87,977	88,857	89,745
5	88,542	89,427	90,321	91,225	92,137	93,058
6	91,808	92,726	93,653	94,590	95,536	96,491
7	95,196	96,147	97,109	98,080	99,061	100,052
8	98,708	99,695	100,692	101,699	102,716	103,743
9	101,142	102,154	103,175	104,207	105,249	106,302
10	106,128	107,189	108,261	109,344	110,437	111,542
11	114,803	115,951	117,111	118,282	119,465	120,660

# **B.2** Weekly rate of pay

The weekly rate of pay for a Teacher will be determined by dividing the annual rate by 52.18.

# **B.3** Annual Leave Loading

The annual salary in B.1 does include annual leave loading.

#### **B.4** Part-time Teacher

A part-time Teacher will be paid pro rata, at the same rate as a full-time Teacher in the same classification, in accordance with the provisions of clause 33.4.

# **B.5** Casual Teacher

(a) Subject to Sch.B.5(b), the rate of pay payable to a casual Teacher will be:

	2021		2022		2023	
	Commencement date of this Agreement	1 October	1 April	1 October	1 April	1 October
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Day	389.40	393.29	397.22	401.19	405.20	409.25
Half- Day	194.70	196.65	198.62	200.61	202.62	204.65

<sup>(</sup>b) A casual Teacher in the School will be paid for a minimum of half a day, where a day is the usual required attendance time for a Teacher at the School and a half day is half the usual required attendance time.

# Schedule C — Teacher Allowances

## C.1 Vehicle allowance

- **C.1.1** A Teacher required by the Employer to use the Teacher's motor vehicle in the performance of duties must be paid the following allowances:
  - (a) Motor car

\$0.80 per kilometre with a maximum payment up to 400 kilometres per week.

**(b)** Motorcycle

\$0.27 per kilometre with a maximum payment up to 400 kilometres per week.

**C.1.2** The Employer must pay all expenses including registration, running and maintenance where an Employer provides a motor vehicle which is used by a Teacher in the performance of the Teacher's duties.

# C.2 Camp allowance

Attending camps is an integral part of a Teacher's role. A Teacher required to attend an overnight curriculum-based camp or an overnight curriculum-based excursion during term time will be paid an allowance of \$90 per night.

# Schedule D— General Staff Classifications

#### **D.1** Definitions

#### **D.1.1 Definition 1: Supervision**

**Close supervision:** clear and detailed instructions are provided. Tasks are covered by standard procedures. Deviations from procedures or unfamiliar situations are referred to higher levels. Work is regularly checked.

**Routine supervision:** direction is provided on the tasks to be undertaken with some latitude to rearrange sequences and discriminate between established methods. Guidance on the approach to standard circumstances is provided in procedures, guidance on the approach to non-standard circumstances is provided by a supervisor. Checking is selective rather than constant.

**General direction:** direction is provided on the assignments to be undertaken, with the Employee determining the appropriate use of established methods, tasks and sequences. There is some scope to determine an approach in the absence of established procedures or detailed instructions, but guidance is readily available. When performance is checked, it is on assignment completion.

**Broad direction:** direction is provided in terms of objectives which may require the planning of staff, time and material resources for their completion. Limited detailed guidance will be available and the development or modification of procedures by the Employee may be required. Performance will be measured against objectives.

## **D.1.2 Definition 2: Qualifications**

Within the Australian Qualifications Framework:

#### (a) Year 12

Completion of a senior secondary certificate of education, usually in Year 12 of secondary school.

## (b) Trade certificate

Completion of an apprenticeship, normally of four years' duration, or equivalent recognition, e.g. Certificate III.

#### (c) Post-trade certificate

A course of study over and above a trade certificate and less than a Certificate IV.

#### (d) Certificates I and II

Courses that recognise basic vocational skills and knowledge, without a Year 12 prerequisite.

#### (e) Certificate III

A course that provides a range of well-developed skills and is comparable to a trade certificate.

#### (f) Certificate IV

A course that provides greater breadth and depth of skill and knowledge and is comparable to a two year part-time post-Year 12 or post-trade certificate course.

## (g) Diploma

A course at a higher education or vocational educational and training institution, typically equivalent to two years' full-time post-Year 12 study.

# (h) Advanced diploma

A course at a higher education or vocational educational and training institution, typically equivalent to three years' full-time post-Year 12 study.

## (i) Degree

A recognised degree from a higher education institution, often completed in three or four years, and sometimes combined with a one year diploma.

#### (j) Postgraduate degree

A recognised postgraduate degree, over and above a degree as defined above.

NOTE: Previously recognised qualifications obtained prior to the implementation of the Australian Qualifications Framework continue to be recognised. The above definitions also include equivalent recognised overseas qualifications.

## **D.1.3** Definition 3: Classification dimensions

#### (a) Competency

The skill, complexity and responsibility of tasks typically required at each classification level.

## (b) Judgment, independence and problem solving

Judgment is the ability to make sound decisions, recognising the consequences of decisions taken or actions performed. Independence is the extent to which an Employee is able (or allowed) to work effectively without supervision or direction. Problem solving is the process of defining or selecting the appropriate course of action where alternative courses of actions are available. This dimension looks at how much of each of these three qualities applies at each classification level.

# (c) Level of supervision

This dimension covers both the way in which Employees are supervised or managed and the role of Employees in supervising or managing others.

# (d) Training level or qualifications

The type and duration of training which the duties of the classification level typically require for effective performance. Training is the process of acquiring

skills and knowledge through formal education, on-the-job instruction or exposure to procedures.

## (e) Occupational equivalent

Examples of occupations typically falling within each classification level.

## (f) Typical activities

Examples of activities typically undertaken by Employees in different roles at each of the classification levels. Examples of occupational equivalent positions are provided. Reference to small, medium and large schools is made, based upon student enrolment. A small school enrols less than 300 students, a medium school enrols between 300 and 600 students and a large school enrols more than 600 students.

#### **D.2** Classifications

#### **D.2.1** Level 1

An Employee at this level will learn and gain competency in the basic skills required by the Employer. In the event that the increased skills/competency are required and utilised by the Employer, classification to a higher level within the structure may be possible.

## (a) Competency

Competency involves application of knowledge and skills to a limited range of tasks and roles. There is a specific range of contexts where the choice of actions is clear. The competencies are normally used within established routines, methods and procedures that are predictable. Judgments against established criteria may also be required.

#### (b) Judgment, independence and problem solving

The Employee follows standard procedures in a predefined order. The Employee resolves problems where alternatives for the Employee are limited and the required action is clear or can be readily referred to a more senior Employee.

#### (c) Level of supervision

Close supervision or, in the case of more experienced Employees working alone, routine supervision.

#### (d) Training level or qualifications

An Employee is not required to have formal qualifications or work experience upon engagement. An Employee will be provided with on-the-job training which will provide information about, and/or an introduction to, the conditions of employment, the school, the school's policies and procedures in relation to the work environment and the Employees with whom the Employee will be working.

## (e) Typical activities

# (i) Classroom support services grade 1

- Providing general assistance of a supportive nature to Teachers, as directed
- Assisting student learning, either individually or in groups, under the direct supervision of a higher level general Employee or a Teacher
- Assisting with the collection, preparation and distribution of classroom materials
- Assisting with clerical duties associated with normal classroom activities, e.g. student records, equipment records, etc.
- Assisting Teachers with the care of students on school excursions, sports days and other classroom activities
- Occupational equivalent: Teacher aide/assistant, integration aide/assistant

## (ii) Preschool/childcare services grade 1

- Learning and implementing the policies, procedures and routines and the requisite basic skills
- Learning how to establish relationships and interacting with children
- Attending to the physical, social and emotional needs of children on an individual or group basis
- Assisting in the development of good relations with families attending the facility
- Performing basic duties, including food preparation, cleaning or gardening
- Occupational equivalent: childcare assistant, outside school hours assistant, preschool assistant, kindergarten assistant

# (iii) School administration services grade 1

- Performing a range of general clerical duties at a basic level, for example, filing, handling mail, maintaining records, data entry
- Operating routine office equipment, such as a computer, photocopier, scanner, facsimile, binding machine, guillotine, franking machine, calculator, etc.
- Performing a reception function, including providing information and making referrals in accordance with school procedures
- Carrying out minor cash transactions including receipting, balancing and banking

- Monitoring and maintaining stock levels of stationery/materials within established parameters, including reordering
- Occupational equivalent: clerical assistant, data entry operator, front desk/reception assistant

# (iv) School operational services grade 1

- Performing general labouring tasks
- Performing general gardening tasks, including preparing grounds and undertaking planting
- Performing horticultural duties in areas such as sports playing fields, garden maintenance and foliage control
- Performing basic gardening and outdoor maintenance
- Performing basic maintenance
- Performing a range of industrial cleaning tasks
- Moving furniture and equipment
- Assisting in a school retail facility, such as a canteen, uniform shop or book shop
- Assisting trades personnel with manual duties
- Taking general care of school vehicles, including driving buses for less than 25 passengers
- Undertaking elementary food preparation and cooking duties, cleaning and tidying the kitchen and its equipment
- Performing gardening duties such as the planting and trimming of trees, sowing, planting and cutting of grass and the watering of plants, gardens, trees, lawns and displays
- Removing cuttings, raking leaves, cleaning/emptying litter bins, cleaning gutters/drains/culverts
- Performing routine maintenance of turf, synthetic, artificial and other play surfaces
- Performing non-trade tasks incidental to the Employee's work
- Performing general laundry duties
- Performing minor repairs to linen or clothing such as buttons, zips, seams and working with flat materials
- Cleaning, dusting and polishing in classrooms or other public areas of the school
- Making and/or serving morning/afternoon tea, including washing up and other duties in connection with such work other than meals/refreshments in the school's main dining area

• Occupational equivalent: cleaner, kitchen assistant, laundry assistant, grounds/maintenance assistant, retail assistant, bus driver, handyperson, attendant, trades assistant

#### **D.2.2** Level 2

An Employee at this level performs work above and beyond the skills of an Employee at Level 1.

## (a) Competency

Competency at this level involves application of knowledge and skills to a range of tasks and roles. There is a defined range of contexts where the choice of actions required is clear. There is limited complexity of choice of actions required. On occasion, more complex tasks may be performed.

## (b) Judgment, independence and problem solving

- (i) Applies generally accepted concepts, principles and standards in well-defined areas. Solves relatively simple problems with reference to established techniques and practices. Will sometimes choose between a range of straightforward alternatives.
- (ii) An Employee at this level will be expected to perform a combination of various routine tasks where the daily work routine will allow the latitude to rearrange some work sequences, provided the prearranged work priorities are achieved.

## (c) Level of supervision

Routine supervision of straightforward tasks; close supervision of more complex tasks. Where Employees are working alone, less direct guidance and some autonomy may be involved.

# (d) Training level or qualifications

Level 2 duties typically require:

- (i) a skill level which assumes and requires knowledge, training or experience relevant to the duties to be performed;
- (ii) completion of Year 12 without work experience;
- (iii) completion of Certificates I or II with work related experience; or
- (iv) an equivalent combination of experience and training.

## (e) Typical activities

## (i) Classroom support services grade 2

- Providing assistance with the educational program where limited discretion and judgment and/or specific skills are involved
- Occupational equivalent: Teacher aide/assistant, integration aide/assistant

## (ii) Curriculum/resources services grade 1

- Performing a range of basic library transactions, including processing, cataloguing and accessioning books, stocktaking, preparing display materials, using circulation systems, general photocopying and related clerical tasks
- Maintaining, controlling, operating and demonstrating the use of audio-visual equipment, where there is limited complexity, including assisting with audio and video recording
- Maintaining booking and repair/replacement systems for equipment
- Maintaining catalogues of recorded programs in accordance with established routines, methods and procedures
- Maintaining equipment and materials
- Caring for fauna and flora
- Preparing teaching aids under direction
- Preparing standard solutions and less complex experiments
- Assisting students and Teachers to use the catalogue and/or locate books and resource materials
- Explaining the function and use of library and library equipment to students
- Under direction, assisting teaching staff to take story groups
- Searching and identifying fairly complex bibliographic material organising inter-library loans
- Answering ready references inquiries
- Operating a wide range of audio-visual or computer equipment
- Demonstrating and explaining the operation of audio-visual, computer and other similar equipment
- Providing technical support to Teachers
- Recording materials by means of sound and photographic equipment, etc.
- Evaluating and making recommendations for the purchase of technical or computer equipment
- Implementing measures for proper storage control and handling or disposal of dangerous or toxic substances
- Culturing, preparing for use and being responsible to the relevant manager for the security of bacterial, viral or other like substances
- Ordering supplies and materials

- Within a defined range of contexts, where the choice of actions is clear, maintaining scientific equipment, materials and specimens
- Assisting with the design/demonstration of experiments and scientific equipment, as directed
- Occupational equivalent: library assistant, laboratory assistant, technology centre assistant

## (iii) Preschool/childcare services grade 2

- Assisting in the implementation of the children's program under supervision
- Assisting in the implementation of daily care routines
- Developing awareness of, and assisting in the maintenance of, the health and safety of children in care
- Understanding and working according to the policies and procedures associated with the children's program
- Responsibility for food preparation, cleaning, gardening or general maintenance under the guidance of the director or the director's nominee
- Demonstrating knowledge of hygienic handling of food and equipment
- Occupational equivalent: childcare assistant

## (iv) Wellbeing services grade 1

- Providing first aid services, as the designated first aid officer in the school
- Occupational equivalent: first aid officer

#### (v) School administration services grade 2

- Performing duties involving the inward and outward movement of mail, keeping, copying, maintaining and retrieving records, straightforward data entry and retrieval
- Occupational equivalent: clerical assistant

#### (vi) School operational services grade 2

- Performing non-cooking duties in the kitchen including the assembly, preparation and measurement of food items
- Undertaking general gardening tasks including the preparation and planting procedures
- Laundry duties requiring the application of limited discretion
- Operating, maintaining and adjusting turf machinery under general supervision

- Applying fertilizers, fungicides, herbicides and insecticides under general supervision
- Performing a range of patrol duties, including responding to alarms, following emergency procedures and preparing incident reports
- Driving a bus with a carrying capacity of 25 or more passengers
- Occupational equivalent: non-trade qualified cook, gardener, kitchen assistant, security officer, school bus driver

### **D.2.3** Level 3

An Employee at this level performs work above and beyond the skills of an Employee at Level 2.

## (a) Competency

Competency at this level involves application of knowledge with depth in some areas and a broad range of skills. There are a range of roles and tasks in a variety of contexts. There is some complexity in the extent and choice of actions required. Competencies are normally used within routines, methods and procedures. Some discretion and judgment is involved in the selection of equipment, work organisation, services, actions and achieving outcomes within time constraints.

## (b) Judgment, independence and problem solving

Exercise judgment on work methods and task sequence within specified timelines and standard practices and procedures. Answers are usually found by selecting from specific choices defined in standard work policies or procedures.

## (c) Level of supervision

In some positions, routine supervision, moving to general direction with experience. In other positions, general direction. This is the first level where supervision of other Employees may be required. When Employees are working alone, they may work semi-autonomously.

#### (d) Training level or qualifications

Level 3 duties typically require a skill level which assumes and requires knowledge or training in clerical/administrative, trades or technical functions equivalent to:

- (i) completion of a trades certificate or Certificate III;
- (ii) completion of Year 12 or a Certificate II, with relevant work experience; or
- (iii) an equivalent combination of relevant experience and/or education/training.

Persons advancing through this level may typically perform duties which require further on-the-job training or knowledge and training equivalent to progress toward completion of a Certificate IV or Diploma.

## (e) Typical activities

# (i) Classroom support services grade 3

- Undertaking some responsibility for other Employees in the work area
- Providing assistance or guidance to other Employees in the work area
- Liaising between the school, the student and the student's family where some discretion and judgment are involved
- Assisting student learning, where some discretion and judgment is involved, including evaluation and assessment, under the supervision of a Teacher, of the learning needs of students
- Occupational equivalent: student services co-ordinator

## (ii) Curriculum/resources services grade 2

- Undertaking some responsibility for other Employees in the work area
- Providing assistance or guidance to other Employees in the work area
- Providing technical assistance in the operation of a library, laboratory, or technology centre, where some discretion and judgment are involved
- Preparing descriptive cataloguing for library materials
- Supervising the operation of circulation systems
- Answering reference and information inquiries, other than ready reference
- Assisting in evaluating and selecting equipment and supplies
- Providing guidance in the use of information systems
- Producing resource materials, e.g. multi-media kits, video and film clips
- Teaching audio-visual, computer and other technical skills to students and Teachers
- Searching and verifying bibliographical data where some judgment and discretion are involved
- Producing, displaying and/or publicising materials
- Assisting students and Employees to access information and to use equipment in a library, laboratory or a technology centre where some discretion and judgment are involved

- Assisting with supervision of students in the library where some discretion and judgment are involved
- Providing technical assistance and advice, as requested
- Assisting with the planning and organisation of a laboratory or technology centre and field work
- Testing of experiments and demonstrating experiments (with Teachers)
- Occupational equivalent: library technician, laboratory technician, technology centre technician

## (iii) Preschool/childcare services grade 3

- Assisting in the preparation, implementation and evaluation of developmentally appropriate programs for individual children or groups
- Responsibility for recording observations of individual children or groups for program planning purposes for qualified Employees
- Working with individual children with particular needs, under direction
- Assisting in the direction of untrained Employees
- Undertaking and implementing the requirements of quality assurance
- Working in accordance with food safety regulations
- Occupational equivalent: childcare assistant

## (iv) School administration services grade 3

- Undertaking a wide range of secretarial and clerical duties at an advanced level, including typing, word processing, maintaining email and computerised records and shorthand
- Managing enquiries from students, parents, Employees and the general public
- Entering financial data into computers and preparing financial and management reports for review and authorisation
- Preparing and processing payroll within routines, methods and procedures
- Undertaking bank and ledger reconciliations
- Assisting with preparation of internal and external publications
- Providing administrative support to senior management, including arranging appointments, diaries and preparing both confidential and general correspondence
- Preparing government and statutory authority returns for authorisation
- Occupational equivalent: administration assistant, office supervisor, accounts clerk, school secretary (small school)

## (v) School operational services grade 3

- Performing general maintenance work which includes the use of trade accredited skills in areas such as carpentry, plumbing or electrical services
- Control and responsibility for the maintenance of gardens, sports grounds and/or facilities which includes the use of accredited trade skills in areas such as horticulture, gardening or in the maintenance of sports grounds
- Responsibility for operating the school canteen, uniform shop or book shop, including supervision of Employees and volunteers
- Cooking duties including a la carte cooking, baking, pastry cooking or butchery
- Responsibility for operating, maintaining and adjusting turf machinery, as appropriate
- Cleaning and inspecting machinery after each use, reporting any problems to the appropriate manager
- In trades positions, applying the skills taught in a trades certificate or Certificate III, including performance of a range of construction, maintenance and repair tasks, using precision hand and power tools and equipment. In some cases this will involve familiarity with the work of other trades or require further training.
- Performing a range of security duties, including patrols, alarm responses, emergency procedures and preparing incident reports
- Responsibility for the security and basic maintenance of school property
- Occupational equivalent: tradesperson, retail function co-ordinator, security officer, caretaker

#### **D.2.4** Level 4

An Employee at this level performs work above and beyond the skills of an Employee at Level 3.

## (a) Competency

Competency at this level involves the application of knowledge with depth in some areas and a broad range of skills. There is a wide variety of tasks and roles in a variety of contexts. There is complexity in the ranges and choice of actions required. Some tasks may require limited creative, planning or design functions. Competencies are normally used within a variety of routines, methods and procedures. Discretion and judgment are required for self and/or others in planning, selection of equipment, work organisation, services, actions and achieving outcomes within time constraints.

#### (b) Judgment, independence and problem solving

Independent judgment is required to identify, select and apply the most appropriate available guidelines and procedures, interpret precedents and adapt standard methods or practices to meet variations in facts and/or conditions. The Employee may apply extensive diagnostic skills, theoretical knowledge and techniques to a range of procedures and tasks, proficiency in the work area's rules and regulations, procedures requiring expertise in a specialist area or broad knowledge of a range of personnel and functions.

## (c) Level of supervision

Supervision is generally present to establish general objectives relative to a specific project, to outline the desired end product and to identify potential resources for assistance. Some positions will require routine supervision to general direction depending upon experience and the complexity of the tasks. Some positions will require general direction. May supervise or co-ordinate others to achieve objectives, including liaison with Employees at higher levels. May undertake stand-alone work.

## (d) Training level or qualifications

Level 4 duties typically require a skill level which assumes and requires knowledge or training equivalent to:

- (i) completion of a diploma level qualification with relevant work related experience;
- (ii) completion of a Certificate IV with relevant work experience;
- (iii) completion of a post-trades certificate and extensive relevant experience and on-the-job training;
- (iv) completion of a Certificate III with extensive relevant work experience; or
- (v) an equivalent combination of relevant experience and/or education/training.

## (e) Typical activities

## (i) Curriculum/resources services grade 3

- Demonstrating and instructing students and Employees with respect to the use of complex audio-visual or computer equipment, using a variety of routines, methods and procedures, with a depth of knowledge in the requisite areas
- Designing and demonstrating experiments within a variety of routines, methods and experiences under supervision of Teachers where discretion and judgment are required
- In charge of an identifiable functional unit, which ordinarily will involve the supervision of staff
- Liaising with Teachers on curriculum matters

- Assisting careers advisor/counsellor
- Occupational equivalent: senior technician in a library, laboratory or technology centre, careers placement officer

## (ii) Preschool/childcare services grade 3A

- Exercises similar responsibilities as a grade 3 but an Employee at this level has a Diploma in Children's Services.
- Occupational equivalent: childcare assistant

## (iii) Wellbeing services grade 2

- Providing support and guidance to students
- Providing welfare services to students
- Occupational equivalent: youth welfare officer

## (iv) School administration services grade 4

- Responsibility for the smooth and efficient financial administration of a small school
- Responsibility for both secretarial and financial administration of a school office in a small school
- Using computer software packages, including desktop publishing, database and/or web software, at an advanced level
- Planning and setting up spreadsheets and database applications
- Initiating and handling correspondence, which may include confidential correspondence
- Calculating and maintaining wage and salary records for a large payroll utilising a variety of routines, methods and procedures
- Applying inventory and purchasing control procedures
- Preparing monthly summaries of debtors and creditors ledger transactions with reconciliations
- Controlling the purchasing and storage for a discrete function
- Supervising and maintaining hardware and software components of a computer network, with appropriate support for users
- Preparing complex financial and administrative systems
- Undertaking responsibility for the co-ordination and ongoing management of fundraising activities or special projects where an advanced level of clerical and administrative skill is required

• Occupational equivalent: senior administration assistant, office supervisor, finance officer, school registrar, school secretary (large school), Principal's secretary, school development officer

## (v) School operational services grade 4

- Performing specialised cooking, butchery, baking pastry and the supervision of the operation
- Responsibility for planning, scheduling and supervising of all aspects of gardening maintenance
- Deputising for the manager if absent, including undertaking all duties
- In trades positions, working on complex engineering or interconnected electrical circuits and/or exercising high precision trades skills using various materials and/or specialised techniques
- *Occupational equivalent*: advanced tradesperson, head groundsperson (medium or large school)

#### **D.2.5** Level 5

An Employee at this level performs work above and beyond the skills of an Employee at Level 4.

## (a) Competency

Competency at this level involves self-directed application of knowledge with substantial depth in some areas. A range of technical and other skills are applied to roles and functions in both varied and highly specific contexts. Competencies are normally used independently and both routinely and nonroutinely. Discretion and judgment are required in planning and selecting appropriate equipment, service techniques and work organisation for self and/or others.

## (b) Judgment, independence and problem solving

Problem solving involves the identification and analysis of diverse problems. Solve problems through the standard application of theoretical principles and techniques at degree level. Apply standard technical training and experience to solve problems. Apply expertise to the making of decisions. Being responsible for co-ordinating a team to provide an administrative service.

## (c) Level of supervision

Routine supervision to general direction, depending on tasks involved and experience. May supervise other staff at levels below Level 5.

## (d) Training level or qualifications

Level 5 duties typically require a skill level which assumes and requires knowledge or training equivalent to:

(i) completion of a degree without subsequent relevant work experience;

- (ii) completion of an advanced diploma qualification and at least one year's subsequent relevant work experience;
- (iii) completion of a diploma qualification and at least two years' subsequent relevant work experience;
- (iv) completion of a Certificate IV and extensive relevant work experience;
- (v) completion of a post-trades certificate and extensive (typically more than two years') relevant experience as a technician; or
- (vi) an equivalent combination of relevant experience and/or education/training.

## (e) Typical activities

# (i) Curriculum/resources services grade 4

- Providing specialist technical advice, direction and assistance in the Employee's area of expertise using the application of knowledge gained through formal study/qualifications applicable to this level
- Occupational equivalent: professional assistant

#### (ii) Preschool/childcare services grade 4

- Responsibility, in consultation with the director or the director's nominee, for the preparation, implementation and evaluation of a developmentally appropriate program for individual children or groups of children in care
- Responsibility for the direction and general supervision of lower level Employees
- Ensuring a safe environment is maintained for children and Employees
- Ensuring that records are maintained accurately for each child in the Employee's care
- Developing, implementing and evaluating daily care routines
- Ensuring adherence to the policies and procedures
- Liaising with families
- Occupational equivalent: childcare assistant

## (iii) School administration services grade 5

- Applying theoretical knowledge, at degree level, in a straightforward way, in professional positions
- Providing designated support to senior management and associated committees concerning designated aspects of school management
- Overseeing the operations of the school's office and other administrative activities

- Ensuring deadlines and targets are met
- Preparing the accounts of the school to operating statement stage and assisting in the formulating of period and year end entries
- Performing information technology tasks requiring professional qualifications involving analysis, design or computation and drawing upon advanced techniques and methods
- Occupational equivalent: human resources officer, office supervisor (large school), school development officer

## (iv) School operational services grade 5

- Managing a range of functions
- Occupational equivalent: assistant property manager (large school), property manager (medium school)

## **D.2.6** Level 6

An Employee at this level performs work above and beyond the skills of an Employee at Level 5.

## (a) Competency

- (i) Competency at this level involves the development and application of professional knowledge in a specialised area/s and utilising a broad range of skills. Competencies are normally applied independently and are substantially non-routine.
- (ii) Competency at this level involves the delivery of professional services within defined accountability levels. Employees may operate individually or as a member of a team.
- (iii) Significant discretion and judgment is required in planning, designing professional, technical or supervisory functions related to services, operations or processes.
- (iv) Employees are expected to plan their own professional development and such increased knowledge, relevant to the position held, will be applied to the work situation.
- (v) Perform work assignments guided by policy, precedent, professional standards and managerial or technical expertise. Employees would have the latitude to develop or redefine procedure and interpret policy so long as other work areas are not affected. In technical and administrative areas, have a depth or breadth of expertise developed through extensive relevant experience and application.

## (b) Judgment, independence and problem solving

Discretion to: innovate within own function and take responsibility for outcomes; design, develop and test complex equipment, systems and procedures; undertake planning involving resources use and develop proposals

for resource allocation; exercise high level diagnostic skills on sophisticated equipment or systems; and/or analyse and report on data and experiments.

# (c) Level of supervision

In some positions, general direction is appropriate. In other positions, broad direction would apply. May have extensive supervisory and line management responsibility for general Employees. Supervision is present to review established objectives.

## (d) Training level or qualifications

Level 6 duties typically require a skill level which assumes and requires knowledge or training equivalent to:

- (i) a degree with subsequent relevant experience;
- (ii) extensive experience and specialist expertise or broad knowledge in technical or administrative fields; or
- (iii) an equivalent combination of relevant experience and/or education/training.

#### (e) Typical activities

## (i) Preschool/childcare services grade 5

- Occupational equivalent: operating as the assistant director:
- Responsibility for co-ordinating and directing the activities of Employees, including the Employees engaged in the implementation and evaluation of developmentally appropriate programs
- Contributing, through the director, to the development of the facility or policies and procedures
- Co-ordinating operations, including occupational health and safety, program planning, staff training
- Taking responsibility for the day-to-day management of the facility in the temporary absence of the director and for management and compliance with all licensing and all statutory and quality assurance issues
- Occupational equivalent: operating as the co-ordinator:
- Undertaking additional responsibilities, including co-ordinating the activities of more than one group, supervising Employees, trainees and students on placement and assisting in administrative functions

## (ii) Wellbeing services grade 3

- Performing guidance and counselling, within defined accountabilities
- Providing specialist health services and/or therapy services to students

• Occupational equivalent: psychologist, speech therapist, occupational therapist

#### (iii) School administration services grade 6

- Operating and being responsible for a structurally and/or operationally defined section
- Providing professional advice to students and Employees on the Employee's area of expertise
- Responsibility for professional development of other Employees
- Contributing to operational and strategic planning in the area of responsibility
- Occupational equivalent: public relations manager/director, school development manager

## (iv) School operational services grade 6

- Managing a range of functions
- Occupational equivalent: property manager

#### **D.2.7** Level 7

An Employee at this level performs work above and beyond the skills of an Employee at Level 6.

#### (a) Competency

- (i) Within constraints set by management, Employees exercise initiative in the application of professional practices demonstrating independent discretion and judgment, which may have effect beyond a work area. An Employee at this level is expected to carry a high proportion of tasks involving complex, specialised or professional functions.
- (ii) An Employee may independently relate existing policy to work assignments or rethink the way a specific body of knowledge is applied in order to solve problems. In professional or technical positions, the Employee may be a recognised authority in a specialised area.

# (b) Judgment, independence and problem solving

Independently relate existing policy to work assignments, rethink the way a specific body of knowledge is applied in order to solve problems, adapt procedures to fit policy prescriptions or use theoretical principles in modifying and adapting techniques. This may involve stand-alone work or the supervision of Employees in order to achieve objectives. It may also involve the interpretation of policy which has an impact beyond the immediate work area.

## (c) Level of supervision

Broad direction. May manage other Employees including general Employees.

## (d) Training level or qualifications

Level 7 duties typically require a skill level which assumes and requires knowledge or training equivalent to:

- (i) a degree with at least four years of subsequent relevant experience;
- (ii) extensive experience and management expertise in technical or administrative fields; or
- (iii) an equivalent combination of relevant experience and/or education/training.

## (e) Typical activities

# (i) Preschool/childcare services grade 6

- Responsibility as a director, being responsible for the overall management and administration of the facility, including:
- Supervising the implementation of developmentally appropriate programs for children
- Recruiting staff in accordance with relevant regulations, as directed by the Principal
- Maintaining day-to-day accounts and handling all administrative matters
- Ensuring that the facility adheres to all relevant regulations and statutory requirements
- Ensuring that the facility meets or exceeds quality assurance requirements
- Liaising with families and outside agencies
- Formulating and evaluating annual budgets
- Providing professional leadership and development to Employees
- Developing and maintaining policies and practices for the facility
- Occupational equivalent: childcare centre director

## (ii) Wellbeing services grade 4

- Managing counselling services with more than one psychologist under supervision
- *Occupational equivalent*: head of school counselling (small or medium school), senior therapist

#### (iii) School administration services grade 7

- Preparing advice, reports, proposals or submissions, using a high level of expertise, for the senior executives of the school and/or outside bodies
- Providing financial advice to the Principal or the business manager
- Managing the school's financial system
- Performing information technology tasks requiring professional qualifications involving analysis, design or computation and drawing upon advanced techniques and methods at an advanced level
- Occupational equivalent: information technology manager (medium school)

#### **D.2.8** Level 8

An Employee at this level performs work above and beyond the skills of an Employee at Level 7.

## (a) Competency

Competency at this level is likely to require the development of new ways of using a specific body of knowledge which applies to work assignments, or may involve the integration of other specific bodies of knowledge.

## (b) Judgment, independence and problem solving

Responsible for program development and implementation. Provide strategic support and advice requiring integration of a range of school policies and external requirements, and an ability to achieve objectives operating within complex organisation structures.

#### (c) Level of supervision

Broad direction, working with a degree of autonomy. May have management responsibility for a functional area and/or manage other Employees including administrative, technical and/or professional Employees.

## (d) Training level or qualifications

Level 8 duties typically require a skill level which assumes and requires knowledge or training equivalent to:

- (i) postgraduate qualifications or progress towards postgraduate qualifications and extensive relevant experience;
- (ii) extensive experience and management expertise; or
- (iii) an equivalent combination of relevant experience and/or education/training.

# (e) Typical activities

## (i) Preschool/childcare services grade 6

- Responsibilities are the same as for a grade 6 classified at Level 7
- This level applies where the number of places in the centre exceeds 60

# (ii) Wellbeing services grade 5

- Manages a counselling or multi-disciplinary service in a large school
- Occupational equivalent: manager of counselling services

## (iii) School administration services grade 8

- Managing a large functional unit with a diverse or complex set of functions and significant resources in a large school
- Undertaking the role of an assistant bursar/business manager in a large school
- Performing information technology tasks requiring professional qualifications involving analysis, design or computation and drawing upon advanced techniques and methods at an advanced level
- *Occupational equivalent*: information technology manager (large school), assistant bursar/business manager (large school)

# Schedule E — General Staff Salaries

# E.1 Annual rates of pay

The Employer will pay an adult Employee not less than the annual rate of pay specified for the Employee's classification prescribed by the following table.

Level	2021		2022		2023	
	1 1		1	1	1	1
	Apr.	Oct.	Apr.	Oct.	Apr.	Oct.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Level 1						
1.1	48,498	48,983	49,473	49,968	50,468	50,973
1.2	50,357	50,861	51,370	51,884	52,403	52,927
1.3	52,188	52,710	53,237	53,769	54,307	54,850
Level 2						
2.1	52,596	53,122	53,653	54,190	54,732	55,279
2.2	54,246	54,789	55,337	55,890	56,449	57,013
Level 3						
3.1	54,914	55,463	56,018	56,578	57,144	57,715
3.2	55,904	56,463	57,028	57,598	58,174	58,756
Level 4						
4.1	57,971	58,551	59,137	59,728	60,326	60,929
4.2	60,870	61,478	62,093	62,714	63,341	63,975
Level 5						
5.1	62,848	63,476	64,111	64,752	65,400	66,054

Level	2021		2022		2023	
	1 Apr.	1 Oct.	1 Apr.	1 Oct.	1 Apr.	1 Oct.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
5.2	65,863	66,522	67,187	67,859	68,538	69,223
Level 6						
6.1	68,224	68,906	69,595	70,291	70,994	71,704
6.2	75,159	75,911	76,670	77,437	78,211	78,993
Level 7						
7.1	76,118	76,879	77,648	78,424	79,208	80,000
7.2	77,409	78,183	78,965	79,755	80,553	81,359
7.3	79,797	80,595	81,401	82,215	83,037	83,868
Level 8						
8.1	86,907	87,776	88,654	89,541	90,436	91,340

## **Annual rate of pay**

The annual salary will be determined by multiplying the weekly rate of pay by 52.18 and rounding to the nearest dollar amount.

# **E.2** Commencement level and progression

- (a) Where there is more than one minimum pay point for a classification level, an Employee will be eligible for movement to the next highest pay point within the classification level after each 12-month period, following a performance review which the Employer will complete before the end of the 12-month period.
- (b) Movement to the next pay point within a classification level will occur unless a review implemented by the Employer demonstrates that performance against the relevant classification descriptors has not been satisfactory.
- (c) The commencement level for an Employee will be as follows:

Classification	<b>Commencement level</b>
School operations services grade 1	Level 1.1
School administration services grade 1	Level 1.2
Classroom support services grade 1	Level 1.3
Preschool/childcare services grade 1	
Classroom support services grade 2	Level 2.1
Curriculum/resources services grade 1	
Preschool/childcare services grade 2	
Wellbeing services grade 1	
School administration services grade 2	
School operational services grade 2	
Classroom support services grade 3	Level 3.1
Curriculum/resources services grade 2	
Preschool/childcare services grade 3	
School administration services grade 3	
School operational services grade 3	
Curriculum/resources services grade 3	Level 4.1
Preschool/childcare services grade 3A	
Wellbeing services grade 2	
School administration services grade 4	
School operational services grade 4	
Curriculum/resources services grade 4	Level 5.1
Preschool/childcare services grade 4	

Classification	<b>Commencement level</b>
School administration services grade 5	
School operational services grade 5	
Preschool/childcare services grade 5	Level 6.1
Wellbeing services grade 3	
School administration services grade 6	
School operational services grade 6	
Wellbeing services grade 4	Level 7.1
School administration services grade 7	
Preschool/childcare services grade 6 (1–39 places)	Level 7.2
Preschool/childcare services grade 6 (40–59 places)	Level 7.3
Preschool/childcare services grade 6 (60 or more places)	Level 8
Wellbeing services grade 5	
School administration services grade 8	

# **E.3** Junior Employees

A junior Employee is to be paid at the following percentage of the appropriate adult rate of pay for the position performed and restricted to levels 1 and 2 of the classification structure.

Age	% of adult rate
Under 17 years of age	50
17 years of age	60
18 years of age	70
19 years of age	80
20 years of age	90

## Schedule F — General Staff Allowances

#### F.1 First aid allowance

#### **F.1.1** Application

An Employee who is designated by the Employer to perform first aid duty, including the dispensing of medication to students in accordance with medication plans, and who holds a current recognised first aid qualification, will be paid an allowance of:

- (a) \$774.96 annually; or
- **(b)** \$3.23 on a per day basis.

## **F.1.2** Excluded Employees

This allowance does not apply to:

- (a) an Employee employed exclusively as a first aid officer; or
- (b) an Employee whose appointment to the position of first aid officer has been taken into account in classifying their position.

#### F.2 Meal allowance

Where an Employer requires an Employee to undertake more than two hours' overtime after the completion of a full day of work (defined as not less than 7.6 hours), the Employer will provide a meal to the Employee. The exceptions to this are:

- (a) if an Employee could reasonably return home for a meal; or
- (b) if it is not possible to provide a meal, the Employer will pay a meal allowance of \$16.53 to the Employee.

#### F.3 On call and recall allowance

#### **F.3.1** On call allowance

An on call allowance will be paid to an Employee who is required by an Employer to hold himself or herself available to be recalled to work. The Employee will be paid an allowance equal to one ordinary hour's pay for each period of up to 24 hours that the Employee is required to be on call.

#### **F.3.2** Recall allowance

An Employee recalled to duty at the workplace will be paid a minimum of two hours at the appropriate overtime rate where that duty is not continuous with their ordinary hours of duty.

## **F.3.3** Exceptions

The on call and recall allowances do not apply to:

(a) an Employee provided with reasonable accommodation, including living quarters, fuel and light, and available to the Employee for their exclusive use at no cost to the Employee.

#### F.4 Tool allowance

Where an Employer does not provide all tools necessary for a tradesperson to perform their work, a tradesperson will be paid \$16.06 per week (except for a carpenter or joiner who must be paid \$30.40 per week) extra for supplying and maintaining tools ordinarily required in the performance of their work as a tradesperson. An apprentice will receive the relevant percentage of this allowance.

## F.5 Vehicle allowance

- **F.5.1** An Employee required by the Employer to use the Employee's motor vehicle in the performance of duties must be paid the following allowances:
  - (a) Motor car

\$0.80 per kilometre with a maximum payment as for 400 kilometres per week.

(b) Motorcycle

\$0.27 per kilometre with a maximum payment as for 400 kilometres per week.

**F.5.2** Where an Employer provides a motor vehicle which is used by an Employee in the performance of the Employee's duties, the Employer must pay all expenses including registration, running and maintenance.

# **Schedule G— Long Service Leave**

#### **Teacher**

A Staff Member who would have been employed as a teacher pursuant to the *Victorian Independent Schools – Teachers – Award 1998* (AW802001CRV) if employed prior to 1 January 2010 is entitled to long service leave in accordance with clause 27 - Long service leave.

## Clause 27 – Long service leave

#### 27.1 Preamble

A teacher is entitled to long service leave on ordinary pay in respect of continuous employment with one and the same employer or the employer's successor.

## 27.2 Entitlement

- 27.2.1 A teacher who has completed 10 years' continuous employment with the employer is entitled to 13 weeks' long service leave.
- 27.2.2 A teacher is entitled to an additional 6 1/2 weeks' (i.e. 45 calendar days) long service leave for each additional five years of continuous employment with the employer.

## **27.3** Termination of employment

- 27.3.1 A teacher who has completed more than 10 years' continuous employment with the employer and whose employment is terminated otherwise than by the death of the teacher is entitled to an amount of long service leave equal to one-fortieth of the period of the teacher's continuous employment since the last accrual of entitlement to long service leave under 27.2.1 and 27.2.2.
- 27.3.2 A teacher who has completed at least 7 but less than 10 years of continuous employment with the employer and whose employment is terminated for any cause other than by the employer for serious misconduct, is entitled to such amount of long service leave as equals one-fortieth of the period of the teacher's continuous employment.
- 27.3.3 If a teacher who is entitled to any amount of long service leave dies before or while taking long service leave, then the employer will pay an amount equal to the ordinary pay that would have been payable to the teacher in respect of the period of long service not taken to the teacher's personal representative.
- Where a teacher who has completed more than 10 years' continuous employment with an employer dies while still in continuous employment of such employer, the employer (in addition to any sum payable under 27.3.3 will pay to the teacher's personal representative in respect of any period of such continuous employment which is after the last accrual of entitlement to long service leave pursuant to 27.2.2 a sum equal to the amount of the teacher's ordinary pay for a period equalling one fortieth of such fractional period.
- 27.3.5 Where a teacher who has completed at least 7 years but less than 10 years of continuous service with an employer dies while still in the employment of such employer, the employer will pay to the teacher's personal representative a sum equal to the amount of the teacher's ordinary pay for the period equalling one fortieth of the teacher's fractional employment.

#### 27.4 Payment in lieu

- **27.4.1** Except as provided in this clause, an employer will not make payment in lieu of any long service leave or part thereof to a teacher or the teacher's personal representative.
- 27.4.2 Except as provided in this clause, a teacher or a teacher's personal representative will not accept payment in lieu of any long service leave or part thereof.

## 27.5 Illness on long service leave

- 27.5.1 Subject to the production of a supporting medical certificate, a teacher who becomes ill whilst on long service leave is entitled to have the period of illness treated as sick leave but only to the extent that the teacher is entitled to sick leave.
- **27.5.2** Subject to 27.5.1 the teacher's long service leave will be extended by the period of illness.
- 27.5.3 An exception to 27.5.1 is that an employer and a teacher may agree that the teacher will return from long service leave as planned with the period of illness increasing the teacher's accrued long service leave entitlement.

#### 27.6 Mode of employment and payment

- 27.6.1 A teacher whose service has been all full-time or all at the same part-time fraction is paid during long service leave at the teacher's normal salary.
- Where a teacher's time fraction has varied, salary when proceeding on long service leave is calculated as follows:

## (a) Service prior to 1 February 1997

(i) where all service of the teacher has been in a part-time capacity, salary when proceeding on long service leave (or payment in lieu thereof if applicable) will be calculated by striking average weekly hours over the last 12 months of actual service and multiplying average weekly hours by the current hourly pay rate;

- (ii) when full-time employment falls last, any leave taken from the full-time credit will be paid at the current full-time salary. Leave taken from the part-time credit will be paid on the basis of a proportion of the current full-time salary having regard to the ratio of average weekly hours over the last 12 months of part-time employment to current full-time weekly hours;
- (iii) when part-time employment falls last, leave taken from the full-time credit will be paid at the salary applicable to the full-time equivalent of the present part-time employment category. Leave taken from part-time credit will be paid for at the current salary on the basis of average weekly hours over the last 12 months of part-time employment;
- (iv) if a teacher can show that the teacher's average weekly hours over the whole of the teacher's part-time employment are greater than average weekly hours over the last 12 months of part-time employment the higher figure will be used in determining average weekly hours. Should part-time employment be less than 12 months, average weekly hours will be struck over the actual period of part-time employment.

## (b) Service from 1 February 1997

A teacher whose time fraction has varied during service is paid at a proportionate rate during long service leave. The rate is determined by calculating an average of the teacher's time fractions over the period of eligible service.

# 27.7 Exceptions

Despite anything in this clause for the purpose of determining the amount of long service leave or pay in lieu thereof to which a teacher or a teacher's personal representative is entitled in respect of the period of employment commencing on or after 1 January 1965 and ending on 1 January 1980, so much of that period of employment as was commenced before 1 January 1980 will be reduced by one third.

Clause 26 – Personal leave also provides for illness on long service leave as follows:

26.3.4 An employer may require a teacher who claims sick leave whilst on long service leave to be examined by a legally qualified medical practitioner of the employer's choice, provided the practitioner is reasonably accessible to the teacher.

## G.2 Teacher – Early Childhood Teacher

A Teacher who would have been employed pursuant to the *Victorian Independent Schools – Early Childhood Teachers – Award 2004* (AW835765) (cl.26.5) if employed prior to 1 January 2010 is entitled to long service leave in accordance with clause 26 – Long service leave. Clause 26 is identical to the clause in G.1 of this Schedule except that cl.27.5 is replaced by cl.26.5 and cl.27.2 does not apply.

Clause 26.5 – Mode of employment and payment is as follows.

#### **26.5.1** An early childhood teacher whose service has been

- all full-time or
- all at the same part-time fraction

is paid during long service leave at the early childhood teacher's normal salary.

26.5.2 An early childhood teacher whose time fraction has varied during service is paid at a proportionate rate during long service leave. The rate is determined by calculating an average (i.e., mean) of the early childhood teacher's time fractions over the period of eligible service.

Clause 25 – Personal leave also provides for illness whilst on long service leave as follows.

25.3.4 An employer may require an early childhood teacher who claims sick leave whilst on long service leave to be examined by a legally qualified medical practitioner of the employer's choice, provided the practitioner is reasonably accessible to the early childhood teacher.

#### **G.3** General Staff Member

A General Staff Member, other than a General Staff Member to whom one of G.4, G.5 or G.6 applies is entitled to long service leave in accordance with the *Long Service Leave Act 1992* (Vic.).

# G.5 General Staff Member – Clerical and Administrative Employee

A General Staff Member who would have been employed pursuant to the *Victorian Independent Schools – Clerical and Administrative Employees – Award 2004* (AW837335CRV) if employed prior to 1 January 2010 is entitled to long service leave in accordance with clause 27 – Long service leave.

The relevant provisions of clause 27 – long service leave are as follows.

# 27. Long service leave

#### 27.1 Entitlement

An employee is entitled to long service leave in accordance with the provisions of the *Long Service Leave Act 1992* (Vic.) as amended from time to time.

## 27.2 Payment

An employee whose time fraction has varied during service is paid at a proportionate rate during long service leave. The rate is determined by calculating an average of the employee's time fractions over the period of eligible service.

#### **G.6** General Staff Member – School Assistant

A General Staff Member who would have been employed pursuant to the *Victorian Independent Schools – School Assistants – Award 19982004* (AW802122CRV) if employed prior to 1 January 2010 is entitled to long service leave in accordance with clause 26 – Long service leave.

Clause 26 – Long service leave is as follows.

## 26. Long service leave

A school assistant is entitled to long service leave in accordance with the provisions of the *Long Service Leave Act 1992* (Vic.) as amended from time to time.

Clause 25 – Personal leave provides illness on long service leave as follows:

25.3.4 An employer may require a school assistant who claims sick leave whilst on long service leave to be examined by a legally qualified medical practitioner who is reasonably accessible to the school assistant.

# DECLARATION

# EXECUTED as an agreement this November day of eleventh 2021

EMPLOYER REPRESENTATIVE

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Date: 9 November 2021

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