

# Independent Education Union of Australia

## Queensland and Northern Territory Branch

### ELECTION NOTICE – E2026/132 - Stage 1

#### Insufficient Nominations/Casual Vacancy election

*Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009*

**Candidates are responsible** for ensuring their nomination is received by the Returning Officer **BEFORE** nominations close.

Nominations are called for:

| <u>Queensland Division</u> - Sunshine Coast Area Council | Positions |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Area Council Representative (to Branch Executive)        | 1         |
| <u>Queensland Division</u> - Metropolitan Area Council   | Positions |
| Area Council Representative (to Branch Executive)        | 1         |
| <u>Queensland Division</u> - Gold Coast Area Council     | Positions |
| Area Council Representative (to Branch Executive)        | 1         |
| <u>Queensland Division</u> - Principals Area Council     | Positions |
| Area Council Representative (to Branch Executive)        | 1         |
| <u>Northern Territory Division</u> -                     | Positions |
| Branch Executive Members (Northern Territory Division)   | 3         |
| <u>Queensland Division</u> -                             | Positions |
| Branch Executive Member (Queensland Division)            | 1         |

| Election Timeline                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Date                                                                       |
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| Nominations open                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Thursday 8 October 2026                                                    |
| Nominations close                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 4:00pm AEST on Thursday 29 October 2026                                    |
| Nomination withdrawal                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 4:00pm AEST on Thursday 5 November 2026                                    |
| Requests to withdraw a nomination must be submitted in writing and cannot be withdrawn after the withdrawal date                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                            |
| Candidate statements and photos to be submitted by                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 4:00pm AEST on Thursday 29 October 2026                                    |
| Candidates may submit a statement of no more than 200 words to be included with the ballot material as per your organisation's rules by completing and emailing the candidate statement form to <a href="mailto:IEBnominations@aec.gov.au">IEBnominations@aec.gov.au</a> .                             |                                                                            |
| A candidate statement template is available with the nomination form and can be obtained from the Returning Officer. Please submit your statement in Microsoft Word format, and any photographs in JPG, JPEG, or TIF format. Refer to your organisation's rules for what to include in your statement. |                                                                            |
| Postal voting opens (if required)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Friday 20 November 2026                                                    |
| Postal voting closes (if required)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 12:00pm Australian Eastern Daylight Time (AEDT) on Friday 18 December 2026 |

## Nomination lodgement

Nominations must be lodged using one of the following methods:

1. **By email:** A fully completed nomination form, including all necessary signatures, may be scanned and emailed to [IEBnominations@aec.gov.au](mailto:IEBnominations@aec.gov.au).

### PLEASE NOTE:

- 1.1 Total size of the email and attachments should not exceed 6 MB. Emails identified as spam may be blocked, and it is the sender's responsibility to ensure the nomination email is received by the Returning Officer before the deadline. Emails must use the following subject line: **"E2026/132 – Stage 1 – IEUA – nomination [Candidate name]"**.
- 1.2 Nomination forms must be submitted as separate PDF files, with one PDF for each candidate and each office.

2. **By portal:** Visit the Australian Electoral Commission Portal at [www.aec.gov.au/ieb](http://www.aec.gov.au/ieb). From this page, select **"Access the electoral event portal,"** then click **"Current industrial elections."** Locate and select your election and access the nomination documents.

## Nominations Close and Acknowledgement

You will receive an acknowledgement confirming receipt of your nomination. After the close of nominations, submissions will be reviewed for eligibility and compliance with the organisation's rules. Where issues are identified, the Returning Officer will notify the relevant candidates and specify a timeframe for rectification.

### Haven't received your postal vote pack?

Postal vote packs will be sent to the postal address provided to the AEC by your organisation. If you have changed your postal address, please inform your organisation immediately.

### Contact us to:

- check the status of your nomination
- confirm your eligibility to vote
- request a replacement postal vote pack if you have not received one by Monday 30 November 2026
- make any other enquiries

| By Email                                                       | By Phone                     |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| <a href="mailto:IEBevents@aec.gov.au">IEBevents@aec.gov.au</a> | 02 9375 6366 or 03 9285 7111 |

## Post-Election Report

A copy of the AEC's post-election report can be obtained from the organisation or from the returning officer after the completion of the election.

## Privacy

The AEC handles personal information in accordance with our [Privacy Policy](#). Further information can also be found in the relevant [AEC Privacy page](#) and the [IEB collection notice](#).

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Returning Officer

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Email: [IEBevents@aec.gov.au](mailto:IEBevents@aec.gov.au)

Wednesday 7 October 2026

