

## **New educators at State Council**

State Council Conference is the ultimate decision-making body of the SSTUWA, where nominated members from across WA represent their district and have input into the policies and direction of our union.

Each year, early career teachers are invited to participate in our State Council guest program, which will be occurring in November. This is a wonderful opportunity for early career teachers to gain an understanding of how our union operates.

The SSTUWA invites a few new educators to attend State Council Conference as guests and they are hosted by the Growth Team.

Guests can observe proceedings and get involved in workshops aimed at increasing their knowledge. Attending State Council Conference is an awesome opportunity to experience how decisions are made and a great opportunity for networking.

Previous guests to State Council Conference have heard from keynote speakers such as Department of Education Director General Lisa Rodgers, Professor Barrie Bennett and Education International General Secretary Emeritus Fred van Leeuwen to name a few.

Guests to State Council Conference have found it to be very informative. They have gained a better understanding of how decisions are made, learnt about many issues affecting public education, the importance of union membership and have enjoyed meeting other teachers from their district.

Expressions of interest are now being called for new educators who are interested in attending November State Council Conference as a guest.

Nominees must be in their first five years of teaching and must commit to attending the conference on both days.

Further information can be obtained from the Growth Team: <a href="mailto:neweducator@sstuwa.org.au">neweducator@sstuwa.org.au</a>

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