



23 April 2018

Notice of Initiation of Bargaining

Primary School Teachers

On 17 April 2018 the New Zealand Educational Institute Te Riu Roa confirmed to the Ministry of Education that it intends to seek a collective agreement covering teachers, speech language therapists, and untrained employees in teacher positions who are employed in primary schools (including normal schools, model schools, and intermediate schools); composite schools (other than area schools, excluding teachers in composite schools who predominantly teach students classified as year 9 or above) including the primary sections of the Te Aho o Te Kura Pounamu and Te Aho o Te Kura Pounamu Specialist Services; special schools; intermediate departments, special classes or attached special education units of secondary schools; and Resource Teachers Learning and Behaviour (RTLB) who were no longer covered by clause 1.3(a) of the Primary Teachers' Collective Agreement 2010-2012 after 28 January 2012 (but who were covered by it as at 27 January 2012) and who accept employment in the new lead school, so long as they remain employed as an RTLB in that lead employing school and remain a member of NZEI Te Riu Roa; and any such school that is also established as a kura kaupapa Māori or that has any additional designation or status under the Education Acts 1964 and 1989.

For the purposes of this notice, "employer" means every board of trustees (or commissioner as appropriate) of a state or state integrated school listed above, as defined in the Education Act 1989.

The intended parties to the collective agreement will be the New Zealand Educational Institute Te Riu Roa and the Secretary for Education acting under delegation from the State Services Commissioner issued in accordance with the State Sector Act 1988. The agreement sought will bind all employers and all members of the New Zealand Educational Institute Te Riu Roa coming within the proposed coverage of the collective agreement as outlined above.

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