



## **A National Conversation**

The IEUA has invited school employer representatives from across the country to participate in a conversation about employment issues arising from the COVID-19 pandemic.

Our schools and their staff have very professionally and capably moved to ensure that students are catered for during this crisis.

Our members have responded magnificently not only to the need to ensure schools cater for the children of those workers who have nowhere else to be cared for during the day and for those children at risk in our community but also providing extraordinary opportunities for continued learning through remote and online education.

However, our members jobs are now at risk because of the confusion and lack of clarity about how governments will support the ongoing employment of teachers and school support staff.

With the disappointing absence of any leadership in this space from the Federal Education Minister, the IEUA has approached employers to participate in a national hook-up next week to share their experiences and to seek common ground to progress an outcome to all governments so that from the very beginning of term two that not only with school students and their families have assurance about quality learning opportunities but also that our members have greater confidence about their ongoing employment and ability to pay their bills.