

HIGH SCHOOL WORKING CONDITIONS

Branch Council notes that:

- at the 1995 Annual Conference the following motion was carried:
Conference is of the view that eight line timetables, and especially the requirement for teachers to teach on six of those lines, creates an unreasonable workload for high school teachers. Conference is of the view that high school teachers should not be required to teach more than five assessable classes and for not more than 1080 minutes each week. However, it is recognised that where schools are currently organised with eight line timetables and with teachers allocated six lines of assessable classes, replacing this with a more appropriate structure will require significant notice and opportunity to restructure without disrupting the education program being delivered in those schools.
- the current 2007-2009 Union Collective Agreement, as a result of an arbitrated decision and the vote of members, states that:
Teachers in high schools and colleges may be required to teach a maximum of 19 hours face-to-face per week averaged over the teaching year. [UCA Clause 91.2(a)]
- the issue of face-to-face teaching hours may be considered as part of the Union claim for the next Union Collective Agreement.