

PAID TUTOR

1. That the AEU is opposed to the use of paid tutors in ACT government schools. This opposition is based on the following principles:
 - (a) Public education should be fully resourced to offer the full range of curriculum options.
 - (b) The standard of teaching of paid tutors cannot be ensured.
 - (c) The use of paid tutors could lead to the Government opting out of full resourcing for the full curriculum range for all students.
 - (d) The use of paid tutors within public education institutionalises the use of fees in student access to course options.
2. Further, the AEU believes that acceptance of paid tutors in ACT government schools is a step towards privatisation of education.
3. That we advise members, particularly principals, that the use of paid tutors within schools inevitably leads to a significant increase in the legal responsibility of principals and other teachers involved and that members should be advised that the Union will not countenance rendering legal assistance to members when problems arise as a result of breaches of AEU policy.
4. This policy is not meant to imply the opposition of the AEU to those situations where individuals or groups rent or are allocated parts of school premises outside hours to carry on approved programs.

That the AEU journal not carry advertisements for private home tutor schemes.