

Education

AC does not support the introduction or funding of programs that seek to disenfranchise. It does not support the current model of Safe Schools and will reintroduce a fairer program aimed to promote general wellbeing across the whole school populous.

All parents must have the right to choose the school for their children that supports the beliefs, traditions and values of their home life.

The feasibility of an education voucher system should be investigated.

We support the call by Christians Schools Australia to develop tax incentives or other concessional arrangements to provide incentives for private funds to invest in school facilities.

Australian Christians strongly supports freedom of association and therefore supports the freedom of religious schools to select students or staff that uphold the ethos of the school.

Governments need to maintain a fair and equitable funding system between private and public schools that is not determined by ideology or sector.

We support many aspects of the National Curriculum as a means of providing uniformity in standards between states. However, Australian Christians is concerned that the curriculum can be used as a political tool to push certain values while ignoring others.

In its current form the curriculum is open to manipulation by social engineers. Governments should seek a fairer process of curriculum development by means of an independent panel of qualified personnel (representing the main stakeholders: students, parents, teachers, universities & TAFE, employers, and government). Curriculum development must be accountable to the main stakeholders in education and it should not be led predominantly by academics, politicians and bureaucrats.

We welcome the inclusion of Australia's Christian heritage in the National Curriculum.