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CATHOLIC SCHOOL PARENTS AUSTRALIA WELCOMES NEW EDUCATION MINISTER DAN TEHAN

The Chair of Catholic School Parents Australia (CSPA), Karl Rodrigues, congratulates Dan Tehan on his appointment as Federal Minister for Education.

“This is a vital education appointment at a critical time,” Mr Rodrigues said, “and we look forward to Mr Tehan consulting with education authorities and national parent bodies towards attaining early resolution to the outstanding school funding issues. CSPA looks forward to meeting with Mr Tehan and working with him.”

“We are not seeking any special deals”, Mr Rodrigues emphasized, “simply a school funding model which is fair and equitable. The collaborative working through of the recommendations from the National School Resourcing Board report chaired by Michael Chaney will go a long way towards achieving this,” Mr Rodrigues added.

“Parents should have the option to choose local, affordable Catholic education, and any changes to school funding should not compromise this option for the 20% of Australian families who chose a Catholic education for their children”.

In conclusion, Mr Rodrigues stated, “CSPA also acknowledges Simon Birmingham for his recent engagement with the Catholic sector, including CSPA. We wish Mr Birmingham well in his new Trade, Tourism and Investment portfolio, and thank him for his time as Education Minister”.

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