

QTU Ferny Grove Branch Ballot – State Council

You will be receiving a letter from the Electoral Commission of Queensland. I'm running to be the delegate to State Council for our branch and am asking for you to **vote [1] Murray Carew**.

I'm a teacher at Mitchelton State High School in the SEP faculty. I've taught across a range of schools and faculties including Science, Agriculture, Humanities, Learning Support and Montessori. I've been a union rep since 2024 and am also active on the LCC and in our QTU branch. I recently attended my first Area Council meeting.

Through my activism at school and in our union, I've:

- Supported motions in our branch in favour of wage demands of 10% p.a. for EB11, for workload reduction such as increased NCT, planning days and scrapping Easter make-up hours
- Moved motions carried by our branch on escalating strike action, on union democracy and solidarity on a range of issues
- Spoke in support of motions at Area Council including calling on the QTU to make a submission on the government's proposed new hate speech laws
- In my school I've ensured compliance with our agreement and award for conditions including: WHS, consultation on workplace reforms and the use of data, and school events outside rostered duty hours
- Recruited new members to the union and built capacity in our reps team, supported members with individual issues



Last year's strikes were incredible! The ingenuity and creativity on display by members, our sense of our power, shutting down the state and the solidarity we received from many quarters shows the way forward to improve our conditions. Yet State Council delayed consideration of further strike action – losing us momentum when we were on the front foot. Our profession is in crisis, and we need a serious strategy to challenge the government – Crisafulli has shown that they will not willingly provide the conditions we need.

How to vote

Place **[1]** in the box beside **CAREW, Murray**.

Follow the instructions carefully, sign the declaration and place in the reply-paid envelope.

Make sure you post your ballot as soon as possible to make sure it counts.

Feel free to reach out to me at mcare36@eq.edu.au

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