

# **School Council Elections**

February 2018

Once again it is time to hold elections for the College Council. The Council is responsible for setting the policies that the school will follow, monitoring the expenditure of money and maintaining the facilities. Our Council meets at 5:00pm on a Thursday, twice a term.

## **Composition**

There are two separate electorates:

- 1. the electorate of parent members
- 2. the electorate of Department of Education & Training (DET) employee members.

### **Notice of Election and Call for Nominations**

An election is to be conducted for members of the School Council of Mordialloc College.

#### **Timeline:**

Friday 16 February 2018: Notice of election and call for nominations.

Friday 23 February: Nominations close 4:00pm. (Nomination forms can be obtained from the General Office)

Monday 26 February: List of candidates.

Friday 2 March: Ballot papers prepared and distributed.

Friday 9 March: Close of ballot

Tuesday 13 March: Vote count and declaration of ballot.
Thursday 22 March: First meeting of new Council

Following the closing of the nominations a list of the nominations received will be posted at the school.

The terms of office, membership categories and number of positions in each membership category open for election are as follows -

Mem	bership		Number of Positions
Parer	nt member	From the day after the date of the declaration of the poll in 2018 to, and inclusive of, the date of the declaration of the poll in 2020.	5
DET 6	employee member	From the day after the date of the declaration of the poll in 2018 to, and inclusive of, the date of the declaration of the poll in 2020.	2

If the number of nominations is less than the number of vacancies, a notice to that effect and calling for further nominations will be posted in a prominent position at the school.

### Notes:

- 1. "Electorate of the school" means the DET employee electorate of the school and the Parent electorate of the school.
- 2. "Parent electorate of the school" means all persons (except the Principal) who are Parents of students of the school.
- 3."DET employee electorate of the school" means the Principal of the school and DET employees engaged in work at and for the school.
- 4."DET employee"
  - (a) means a person employed for eight hours or more per week in either an on-going capacity or for a fixed term of at least 90 days -
    - (i) under the *Teaching Service Act 1981;* or
    - (ii) by the DET under the *Public Sector Management and Employment Act 1998*; or
    - (iii) by a school council of a State school; or
    - (iv) under section 5 or 5A of the Education Act 1958; or
    - (v) under more than one of the paragraphs (i) to (iv) above, and
  - (b) does not mean a person employed, under a contract for service or the employees or the contracted personnel of such a person.
- 5. Votes may be posted to the Principal or placed in the ballot box at the school on any day up to the closure of the ballot.

Ms Michelle Roberts, Principal