

Tasmanian State Election



Hello again,

The Tasmanian State Election has been called for Saturday 23 March 2024.

Many schools are voting sites and as such its a great opportunity for a fundraising event.

If you are considering holding a democracy sausage sizzle there are a few things you need to consider doing:

- 1. Are you extending your democracy sausage sizzle to a include a car boot sale, cake stall, and/or raffle?
 - Be familiar with the rules on holding a raffle: <u>see the Department of</u> <u>Treasury and Finance website</u>
- 2. Confirm with the Principal that they support the fundraiser, this will ensure it's a school event for the purpose of insurance.
- 3. Complete a Temporary Food Business application with your local council. Most Councils will waive the fee for not-for-profits, just ask.
- 4. Coordinators and food handlers are encouraged to complete the <u>DoFoodSafely training modules</u>. These are free and form part of risk mitigation with your Risk Management Plan.

- 6. All volunteers will be required to hold a valid working with vulnerable people card and complete DECYPs mandatory reporting training video.
- 7. Don't forget to minute a motion to cover any expenses and float.

TASSO's election campaign priorities are:

- 1. 100% funding of Government Education, with no loopholes
- 2. A commitment to increasing Allied Health Professionals in State Schools
- 3. Free bus transport for students
- 4. A School Infrastructure Fund, free from political campaigning, should be established

How can your committee help?

- 1. Write to your local candidates seeking a commitment to fully fund state schools.
- 2. Request a meeting with your local candidate/s on behalf of your Association to discuss their education policies.

An election is a great time to advocate for your school, the School Association <u>can</u> be political, just be mindful to offer opportunities for all candidates and respect that DECYP employees may not want to be involved in any political conversations.

Check out TASSO's latest media release here: <u>National Parent Associations</u> call for action on school funding.

Don't forget we have an AGM Information Session and Q&A happening on Wednesday February 21 at 12noon and 7.30pm. <u>Register at Humanitix.</u>



Sincerely, Jessica Bennett

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